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Attendance

Target Met								
GROUP	EYFS	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	SCHOOL
2015 - 2016	94.59%	94.47%	95.20%	96.21%	97.39%	97.63%	97.24%	96.56%
2016 - 2017	97.14%	96.73%	98.57%	99.81%	97.64%	94.67%	98.89%	97.37%
2017 - 2018	94.57%	95.99%	97.37%	91.97%	94.89%	94.57%	No longer available	95.33%
Week 1	100.0%	100.0%	97.50%	92.50%	100.0%	93.75%	96.88%	96.63%

THE ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 97.5%

Photographs

Wrates Photographer will be in school during the **afternoon of Tuesday 11 September** to take individual photographs and groups of siblings in school. Whilst we will do our best to make sure that the children look tidy and presentable we will not be able to offer complete makeovers for the camera. In the event that strawberry yoghurt or similar completely covers a school sweatshirt in a lunchtime mishap we will do our best to put it right but we will not have time to re-style everyone's hair.

We can offer the opportunity for family groups with younger and/or younger siblings up until 4.00 pm. The photographer rarely lives locally and we need to respect their need to get home. Mrs Ecob is keeping a list of all families interested photographs so please get in touch if you would like to book a time. All photographs are sent in the form of proofs and so there is no cost if you do not wish to order any copies.

After School Clubs

All staff have worked really hard to ensure that enrichment activities are provided after school for four days each week. We have even changed the night of the staff meeting – despite this having an impact on teachers' lives out of school - to make sure that we can provide a replacement for Polka Dots. Over the course of the week, children can develop their sporting techniques, learn how to look after a vegetable plot, find strategies to keep their minds healthy, learn social skills to play board games, discover their inner star quality through music and dance or learn how to code in order to write computer programs. For a school with only 52 children on roll, that is an impressive range of activities. The most expensive enrichment activity is only £1.50 per session because they are subsidised to be less than half of their true cost. Many clubs are run by volunteers who give freely of their own time so that the club is free or the only costs are for materials. We are very grateful for their dedication to the children at our school.

Over many years we have explored numerous ways to offer wrap - around care as we appreciate that parents do have to work, but child care is not something that we are currently unable to provide. If you need child care then we can only suggest that you talk to each other and share anything that you know the village may have to offer.

Sport2day Enrichment Days

This year, children will be learning Handball, Kabaddi, Archery, Speed Stacks, Kho Kho, Danish Long Ball, Ultimate Frisbee in addition to Mini - Olympics and Athletics. Each sport will have an enrichment lesson in school and will be followed by a tournament for all participating schools in South Holland. The cost of all the activities is met through sports funding. Please feel free to google any sports that you do not recognise.

List of Dates for Important School Events

These are currently being discussed and will be published as soon as they have been agreed.