



Attendance Matters

11th February 2016

Green Lane Primary Academy / Ribblesdale Avenue / Garforth / Leeds / LS25 2JX

A message from Attendance Improvement Officer Tom O'Reilly.....

"Have a look at the table below to see how your son/daughter's class have contributed to Green Lane Primary academy's fantastic current attendance level of 97.3%"

Pear	Cherry	Beech	Elm	Poplar	Willow	Oak
95.4%	95.9%	97.5%	98.4%	96.3%	95.7%	98.9%
Rowan	Chestnut	Hazel	Maple	Larch	Birch	Sycamore
97.9%	96.6%	97.7%	97.1%	97.7%	96.8%	97.3%

ARRIVING AT GREEN LANE PRIMARY ACADEMY LATE?

AVOIDING LATENESS

GLPA appreciates parental support in ensuring pupils arrive prepared and on time for the academy day. Pupils who attend late miss out on valuable information and important instructions during lessons.

Lateness reduces pupil's achievement, regardless of academic ability. A pupil may feel awkward arriving to a classroom when the rest of the class is settled. Pupil lateness to lessons can disrupt the entire class and teacher which can compromise children's attainment.

If you are struggling: Set an alarm either on a bedside clock or mobile phone. Set the alarm 15 minutes earlier to allow time for getting ready, breakfast and the journey to the academy. Make sure your children's school bags are packed the night before, including homework and PE kit. This saves looking for it in the morning. Allow a bit of extra time for traffic jams and bad weather if you drive your children to school.

TERM TIME HOLIDAY REMINDER

A pupil who is absent for a two week holiday will miss 50 hours of education and miss vital links in class work that will have a detrimental effect on future learning. Green Lane Primary will not grant permission for holiday during term time. This policy is in line with current statutory guidelines which came into effect in September 2013.

Have a look at the table below to see what your child's attendance figure means in real terms:

Attendance %	Absence per week/fortnight	Absence per year	Absence over 5 years
95	½ day fortnightly	2 weeks	¼ Year
90	½ day weekly	4 weeks	½ Year
85	1 ½ days fortnightly	6 weeks	¾ year
80	1 day weekly	8 weeks	1 Year

Congratulations to our 90 pupils who have achieved 100% attendance for the academic year so far.

A fantastic achievement! Thank you for your ongoing support.

2015-2016 GLPA TARGET = 97%