



BECCLES
HIGH SCHOOL

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

As you already know, good attendance and punctuality at school is a key priority for us at Beccles High School. It is our expectation that all our students strive for 100% attendance, arriving on time, every day, ready to learn.

Our Beccles CARE ethos-

Collaboration: Making positive contributions to the school and wider society

Ambition: Striving to be the best we can be

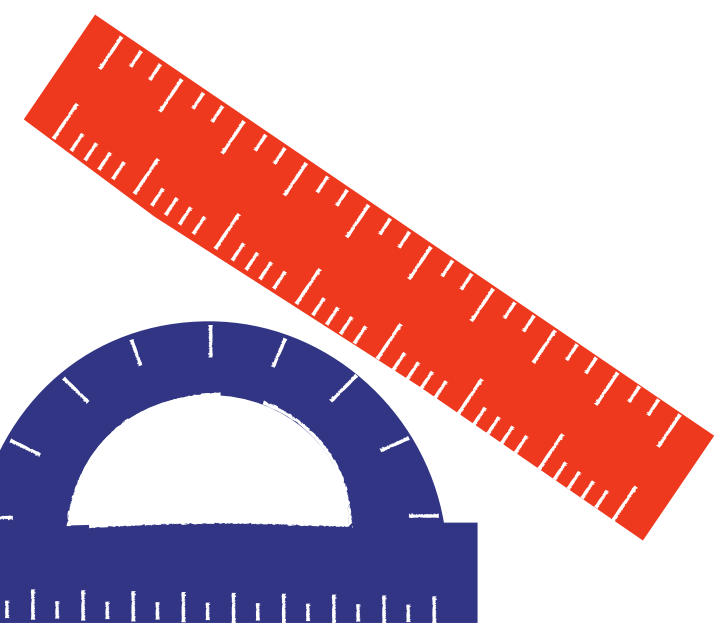
Respect: Building positive relationships

Empower: Developing resilient, independent and valued members of the community.

It can be difficult deciding whether or not to keep your child off school, but there are government guidelines for schools that say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't. Our approach to attendance is the same as our approach to all school concerns: we want to listen and we want to help. Please do contact us for an appointment if you would like to discuss any concerns.

If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school each day by 09:00am. Let us know that they won't be in and give us the reason. If your child has a medical appointment, please provide us with a copy of the appointment slip and any medication they have been prescribed.

Please read below the government guidelines





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Is my child too ill for school?

Link for advice on NHS website:-

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

- High Temperature: Keep them off school until it goes away
- Feeling anxious or worried?: It's normal for children to feel anxious sometimes. Avoiding school can make a child's anxiety worse. It's good to talk about worries they may have or speak to GP for advice.
- Coughs/colds: it's fine to send children with a minor cough/common cold.
- Chicken pox: keep them off school until spots have crusted over
- Cold sores: there's no need to keep your child off. Encourage them not to touch the blister/ or share cups etc.
- Conjunctivitis: You don't need to keep your child away from school.
- Covid-19: Positive test- keep child off school first 3 days then can come back into school if feeling okay too.
- Ear infection: severe earache- keep off until better/seen GP
- Hand, foot and mouth: if they seem well enough to go to school, there's no need to keep them off.
- Head lice/nits: there's no need to keep your child off, you can treat lice without seeing gp.
- Measles: they will need to see a GP. Keep your child off school for at least 4 days from when rash first appears.
- Sore throat: you can still send students into school.
- Vomiting and diarrhoea: Should stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours)





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Every school day matters

school and future success starts with good attendance!

Going to school helps children to:

- Learn
- Have fun
- Make friends
- Get new experiences
- Increase their confidence and most of all.....
- Have the best start in life

Daily lateness equates to.....

