

Attendance & punctuality

April 2022

Why are attendance and punctuality important?



- Lost in-school learning due to COVID-19 (illness and lockdowns)
- Safeguarding & safety
- Wellbeing
- Progress, development and achievement (academically, socially and personally)



If you achieved the following score on a test, would you be pleased?

*90%

*80%

*70%

*50%

Many pupils have an attendance rate of around 95%.

Some students have an attendance rate of around 90% or lower.

Most students and parents think that 90% is pretty good – but what does this actually mean?





A 90% attendance record, means that you are absent for the equivalent of <u>one half-day every week.</u>

That could be 2 x lessons a day at TGS



- * 90% attendance means that you will miss the equivalent of **four whole**weeks of lessons in a school year.
- * From September 2021 to Easter 2022
 - 14 days of absence would = a 90% attendance rate

If your attendance rate is at 90% throughout KS3 and KS4 (5 years), you will have missed the equivalent of about **one-half of a whole school year**.

Sept July										
Y7										
Y8										
Y9		Half a year absent from school								
Y10										
Y11										





Research suggests that 17 days missed from school (for any reason even if authorised) equates to a FULL GCSE grade

The link between attendance and attainment

Attendance %	% 5 grades at 9-4 (was A* - C)
93.5 and above	74.3
92.5- 93.49	60.4
88 and below	26.7



*Do you still think that 90% is good enough?

*Is your attendance at 90% or above?

*Do you think that lateness to tutor time and lessons doesn't matter? Think again....





Lateness = Lost Learning *(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 minutes late each day	3 days lost!			
10 minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!			
15 minutes late each day	10 days lost!			
20 minutes late each day	13 days lost!			
30 minutes late each day	19 days lost!			



Our values support positive attendance and punctuality





If you have concerns about your attendance or have reasons why you feel you may not attend - talk to us so we can support you and resolve these

- Tutor
- Head of House
- Student Support Team
 - SLT
 - Safeguarding Team

Student commitment (Summer term and beyond)

* Attend (as close to 100% as possible)

* Be Punctual

*Look at the attendance notice board *Make note and know your attendance (Go4S / tutor)

Why

- * You can be resilient to attending
 - * Supports safety and wellbeing
- * Supports personal development
- * Supports learning / academic achievements
- * Supports careers (employers like staff to be punctual and attend!)
 - * House competition trophies
- *Merits, certificates and letters home (+ evidence for your record of achievement)



Excellence: for each, for all