



Attendance Matters

October 2026

How was our attendance last year?

HEELANDS

End of year whole school attendance was **92.6%**.

24 children were persistently absent (almost a third of the school). Their attendance was below 90%, which means they had over 19 days off if they were with us for the whole year).

Only 6 children had 100% attendance for the whole year! During our attendance challenge in June, 38 children achieved the whole 5 weeks! That was over half the school!

How was our attendance last year?

SUMMERFIELD

End of year whole school attendance was **95.2%**.

39 children were persistently absent (just over 10% of the school). Their attendance was below 90%, which means they had over 19 days off if they were with us for the whole year).

38 children had 100% attendance for the whole year! During our attendance challenge in June, 194 children achieved the whole 5 weeks! Almost half the school!

Spotlight on Requests for Leave of Absence

Thirteen fines were issued at the beginning of this year. They were either for going on holiday before the summer break or returning late in September. In a few exceptional cases, evidence was provided that meant the fines could be withdrawn. Please make sure, if you feel you have an exceptional case, you provide all evidence within a week of returning to school. This includes any medical evidence and evidence of flight changes (including if you have booked a flight last minute to see an ill relative). Please be reminded we will not authorise leave for children or parents to have medical treatment abroad during term time. It is expected that families will travel during the 14 weeks school holidays if seeking treatment abroad.

Support we offer

We are here to help! We want to work in partnership with parents and carers to ensure fantastic attendance. If your child has a recurring medical issue, we can write to their doctor to demonstrate the impact the illness is having on their attendance.

If you are struggling to get a reluctant child into school, reach out to us. We can support you and direct you to more help if that is what you would like.

Most importantly - don't ignore the issue.

We have robust systems for monitoring attendance, and we will follow up all concerns.

ATTENDANCE SCRUTINY



ATTENDANCE PERIOD
02.09.26 - 05.10.26



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CLASSES	PERCENTAGES
ASH	94.5%
MAPLE	94.6%
OAK	99.1%
TOTAL	96.0%

CLASSES	PERCENTAGES
BUTTERFLIES	97.2%
SEALIONS	97.0%
PENGUINS	96.5%
POLARBEARS	94.5%
TIGERS	98.0%
LIONS	97.6%
BADGERS	95.4%
OTTERS	97.1%
EAGLES	94.5%
OWLS	96.2%
SHARKS	96.0%
DOLPHINS	91.7%
SQUIRRELS	89.6%
TOTAL	96.0%

Attendance Ladder



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