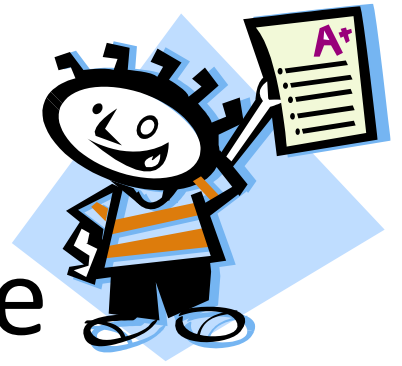


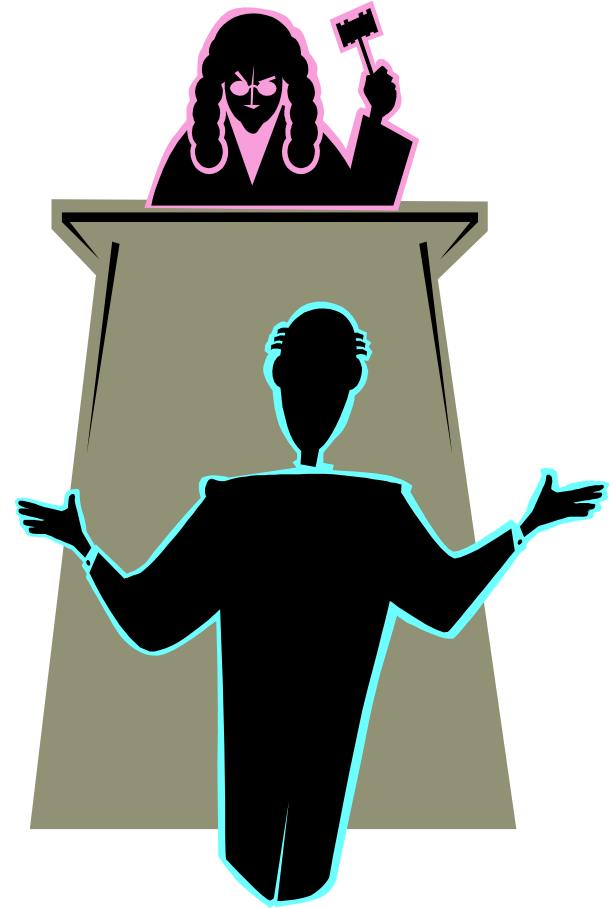
A Good Start To School Attendance



What Are The Rules About Attendance?

- All children aged 5-16 have to receive a full time education.
- Parents/Carers have to make sure that this happens
- If Parents/Carers don't make sure their children come into school they can be taken to court for breaking the law.

IT'S THE LAW



Why Do We Go To School?

- To Learn
- To enjoy and achieve
- Be with friends of all ages
- To work together with everyone
- To have fun making and doing things



What Happens When You Are Off School?

- You can miss exciting things - new work and what's happening at school – you have to catch up!
- You miss time with your friends.
- You might feel a bit left out.

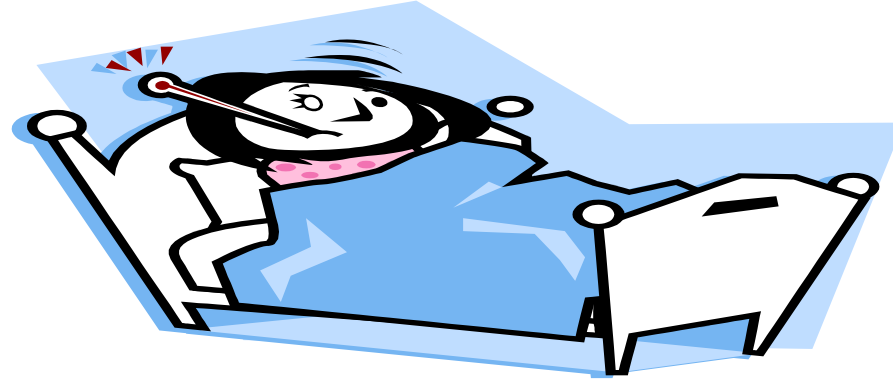


15 minutes late each day adds up to one
and a quarter hours missed lesson time
each week

**15 mins a day = 1hr 15
mins a week**

**This adds up to 2 weeks of
missed lessons a year!**

What Should Happen If You're Off School?



- Somebody must tell the school if you have to be off school
- It is important to get a message to school quickly and send a letter in when you come back
- A genuine absence is called authorised
- Absence for no good reason or which is not explained to the school is called unauthorised and is appears on your school record.

What Happens If Your Late?

- You miss the important things for the day that the teacher has said to the class
- You have to find out what the other children are doing
- You disturb the other children
- Your teacher has to write in the register when you are late.
- Your teacher has to write on your report how many times you arrive late.



Children Hate Being Late For School

- It can make you worry
- It can make you feel embarrassed
- The other children sometimes stare at you when you walk in late



**Get Into A Good Routine And
Make A Good Start To Each Day**

Things That Help You Get To School

- Have A routine at home so that your clothes are ready the night before and you are ready to go.
- Make sure you are ready for school early and give yourself plenty of time to get there.
- Never stay off unless you really have to – it's always better to be in school if you can.
- If you are worried about anything to do with school **tell someone!** – Don't keep it to yourself.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



**MISS SCHOOL LOSE
OUT**