



At White Bridge Primary School we place great importance on punctuality and attendance. Children who are not in school cannot learn and children who are late miss the beginning of lessons.

We expect ALL children to attend every session that is available to them.

Persistent absence is classed as attendance of 90% or less.

Attendance for the whole academic year	Equals - days absent for the whole academic year	Equals – approx. weeks absent for the whole academic year	Essex Descriptor
100%	0 days	0 weeks	PERFECT
99%	2 days	0.4 weeks	Excellent
98%	4 days	0.8 weeks	Good
95%	9.5 days	2 weeks	The minimum Government expectation
90%	19 days	4 weeks	Unsatisfactory – classed as persistent absence
85%	28.5 days	6 weeks	Critical
80%	38 days	8 weeks	Critical – Local Authority may become involved
75%	48 days	10 weeks	Critical – will be reported to the Attendance Compliance Team in Essex
70%	57 days	11.5 weeks	Critical – will be reported to the Attendance Compliance Team in Essex
65%	67 days	13.5 weeks	Critical – will be reported to the Attendance Compliance Team in Essex

