



## HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- Start good habits early, this means in Nursery and Reception
- Ensure your child has a good bedtime routine and gets around ten hours sleep each night
- Make sure your child eats breakfast
- Prepare their school bag the night before
- Develop a night time routine that involves checking homework, reading and bed
- Never arrange holidays in term time
  - Try to make medical/dental appointments outside school hours
  - Talk to your child's teacher or support assistant if for any reason you have any concerns about your child.

## SCHOOL EVERY DAY

At Monksdown Primary School we know that excellent school attendance is the key to successful schooling and we want to ensure our children an exceptional educational experience. Attending school every day will help give your child the best possible start in life.

Attending school every day means:

- Learning new skills
- Making friends
- Having lots of fun
- Building new relationships
- Taking part in exciting activities

You can help your child by encouraging regular school attendance. Regular attendance ensures children have the best chance to succeed, develop their confidence and make and keep lasting friendships.

Although we aim for 100% attendance each year we set a target for attendance. This is used to compare us to other schools nationally. Our target is 97%.



**Monksdown  
Primary School**  
*Where Children  
Come First*

## MONKSDOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Supporting your child to  
achieve excellent  
attendance in Nursery  
and Reception.**

**Information  
for Parents  
and Carers**

## ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES AT MONKSDOWN

At Monksdown Primary we understand that children may be feeling unwell. If your child is saying they feel unwell but you are unsure if this warrants a day of school, then please send your child to school. If your child is truly unwell we will contact you.

Please use the Studybugs app or contact the school office if your child will be absent from school.

Poor attendance is a safeguarding issue and attendance is closely monitored by the school attendance team – Mrs Stewart, Ms Seasman, Ms Richardson (EYFS) and the pastoral team.

If a child is persistently absent they will be referred to the Education Welfare Officer (EWO).



## ATTENDANCE REWARDS

Children demonstrating regular attendance are rewarded in different ways at Monksdown such as;

- Chocolate mice
- Certificates
- Family experience vouchers
- Books
- Treats organised by the class teacher



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