## Life in all its Fullness

September 2022

## Attendance

Dear Everybody

Welcome back! We have had a busy first week and the children have settled into school really well. I am really happy to report that today we had our first day in a very long time where all the children were in school! I would like us to build on this success and really focus on making sure all our children attend school unless they are too unwell to do so.

Your child has a right to come to school every day on time. For your child to learn and keep up with their peers, they need to be in school.

The target, set by our Government, for attendance in primary schools is **96%**. This takes into account that at some point your child will be too poorly to come to school and will need to be at home.

Holly Hill is fortunate to have wonderful and skilled teaching staff who work very hard to do the best for all of our children. Please value and respect what we do and be part of providing your child with 'Life in all its Fullness'. This does mean having your child in school on time and in school for the whole day. I will not be authorising any child to leave school early unless there is a valid reason and acceptable evidence is provided. Please note that any holidays will not be authorised. In a bid to help you have a cheaper break away, we have put teacher training days on Friday 9th and Monday 12th June, so that there is long weekend that could be used for a short holiday.

We all know how hard it is to make an appointment with a doctor, dentist or optician, can I ask that wherever possible these appointments are made outside of school hours. In the unfortunate event that this cannot happen, we will require you to provide a copy of the appointment letter.

All children who regularly attend Holly Hill make excellent progress and flourish - make sure your child is one of them.

As always, if we can help, we will.

If you would like to talk about attendance or have any questions please make an appointment to speak with me.

Yours sincerely

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