

Attendance Addendum During Covid-19 pandemic

The most up to date guidance from the Department for education states that it is 'vital for all children to return to school to minimise as far as possible the longer-term impact of the pandemic on children's education, wellbeing and wider development.'

School attendance is mandatory from the beginning of the autumn term 2020.

School will be following the rules set out in the attendance policy including:

- All children who are not displaying standard COVID19 symptoms are expected to attend
- Parents responsibility to ensure their child attends a school where the child is a registered pupil
- Recording attendance using codes set out in Appendix 2. Following up absence using the first-day calling procedure and referrals to the named CSAWs Officer and School Family Support Worker if needed.
- Referring absences to West Sussex Pupil Entitlement which may lead to fixed penalty notices being issued.

Where children are not able to attend school due to self-isolation or positive test results of Covid 19, support will be offered via the schools blended learning programme.

Where parents have anxiety and concerns regarding children attending school, an appointment should be made with the Headteacher to discuss the concerns.