

Table to show % attendance and day/week absence equivalents

% attendance over the academic year	Equivalent no: of days absent from school	Equivalent no: of weeks absent from school
<b>Total possible = 100%</b>	<b>Total possible = 190 days</b>	<b>Total possible = 38 weeks</b>
90%	19 days	4 weeks
80%	38 days	8 weeks
70%	57 days	11.5 weeks
60%	76 days	15 weeks
50%	95 days	19 weeks

We recognise that for many of the children and young people that attend Nether Hall their complex and enduring health and medical issues are often the reason for their absence. We would like to assure you that we understand this and we will deal with every case of absence on an individual basis.

## ***Term Time Holidays***

We encourage families to take holidays and trips away during **school holiday periods**.

There are some circumstances that mean taking your child out of school during term time is unavoidable.

If you need to take your child away during term time then please put your request in writing (either a letter or email) addressed to Sarah Naylor - Head Teacher

## *How YOU can help...*

- ✓ Let us know about any planned absence straight away.
- ✓ Ring us by 8am on the first day of absence.
- ✓ Tell us how long you expect your child to be off school for.
- ✓ If your child will be absent for longer than first thought please call us and let us know.
- ✓ If your child has an appointment try to get them to school before and/or afterwards.

# Thank You



## **PUPIL ATTENDANCE**

*Let's work together to support pupil learning.*





## ***“My child is unable to come to school...”***

### **Appointments:**

- If possible please let us know in advance. Send in the appointment letter or card. We will copy this for our files and send the original back to you.
- Please avoid taking your child out of school all day for a half day appointment.

### **Illness:**

- Please ring the school and leave a message as early as possible on the first day of illness.
- Please keep in touch and tell us if you think your child will be off for longer than one day.

### **Other absence:**

- Please contact the school for advice regarding other types of absence.

## ***Why is attendance so important?***

- At Nether Hall we recognise that we play an important role in the life of your child.
- School is where children develop new skills, make friends and have access to a wide range of exciting learning and enrichment opportunities.
- When your child misses school, they miss out on these vital opportunities and their learning and friendships may suffer.
- It is therefore vital that we make the most of every moment that children come to school so we can support them to grow to their full potential.

### ***How we can help...***

There are many ways we can support you and your child.

- We can provide work for your child to complete at home if they are recovering from an illness or surgery.
- We can work with the Hospital School if your child is in hospital.
- We can arrange to meet with you, either at school or at home, to discuss any concerns you may have that may be preventing your child from attending school.
- We can work together to re-integrate your child back in to school after a long period of absence.

## ***School Well-Being Coordinator***

My name is Joanne Bacon and I am the School Wellbeing Coordinator at Nether Hall School.

My role is to support both you and your child and it is really important we work together to help your child attend school as often as possible.

***Together we can make a difference...***

If you have any concerns about the health, wellbeing or attendance of your child then please do not hesitate to contact me.

If there are issues or problems we need to know about then please contact us,

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