

Raise Your Child's Attendance, Raise their Chances!

What does "***Good attendance***" mean?



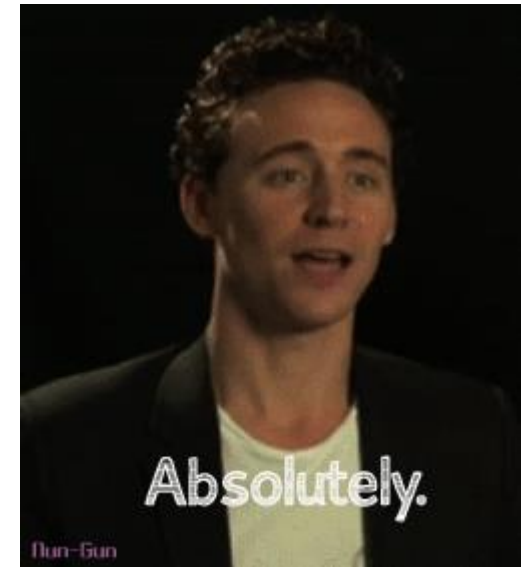
School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Do you know
what your child's
attendance is?

Do you know
what it means?



This is Simon. He is in Year 7 and has 90% attendance.

- Is that good?
- What does this mean?



Simon thinks this is pretty good, so do his parents. Are they right?

90% attendance = **½ day missed** every week!!

Would your employer like YOU to be off work this much? That's practically part time!



Mon Tue Wed Thur Fri



Absent half a day every week



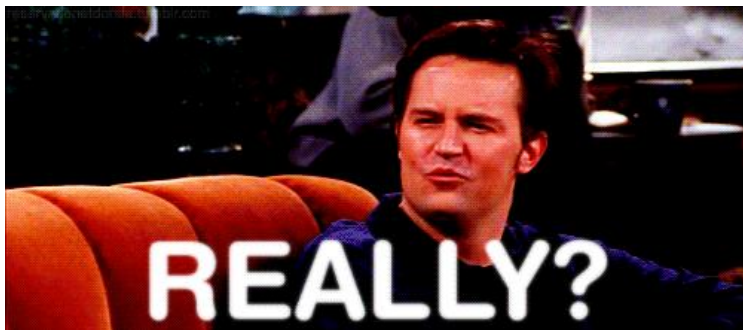
Lets look a little closer.....

1 school year at **90%** attendance = **4** whole weeks of lessons **MISSED!!!**

38 school weeks



Absent for 4 weeks



90% attendance over 5 years of secondary school....

= ½ a school year missed!



90%
of success is
showing up.
School attendance counts.



Be
there.

Every day
COUNTS!




School success starts
with attendance

YBA



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What impact might this have on Simon's life.....?

Research suggests that **17 missed school days**
a year = GCSE grade **DROP** in achievement.
(DfES)

The greater the attendance the
greater the achievement.



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Percentage Attendance Weekly

90% =	½ day
80% =	1 day
70% =	1 ½ days
60% =	2 days
50% =	2 ½ days
40% =	3 days
30% =	3 ½ days



Percentage Attendance Termly/Yearly

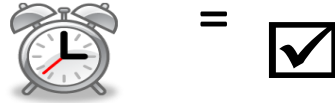
90%	=	1 week 2 days	=	4 weeks
80%	=	2 weeks 4 days	=	8 weeks
70%	=	4 weeks 1 day	=	12 weeks
60%	=	5 weeks 3 days	=	16 weeks
50%	=	7 weeks	=	20 weeks
40%	=	8 weeks 2 days	=	24 weeks
30%	=	9 weeks 1 day	=	28 weeks



Start where
you are.
Use what
you have.
Do what
you can.



Every Minute Counts



Lateness = Lost Learning

*(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

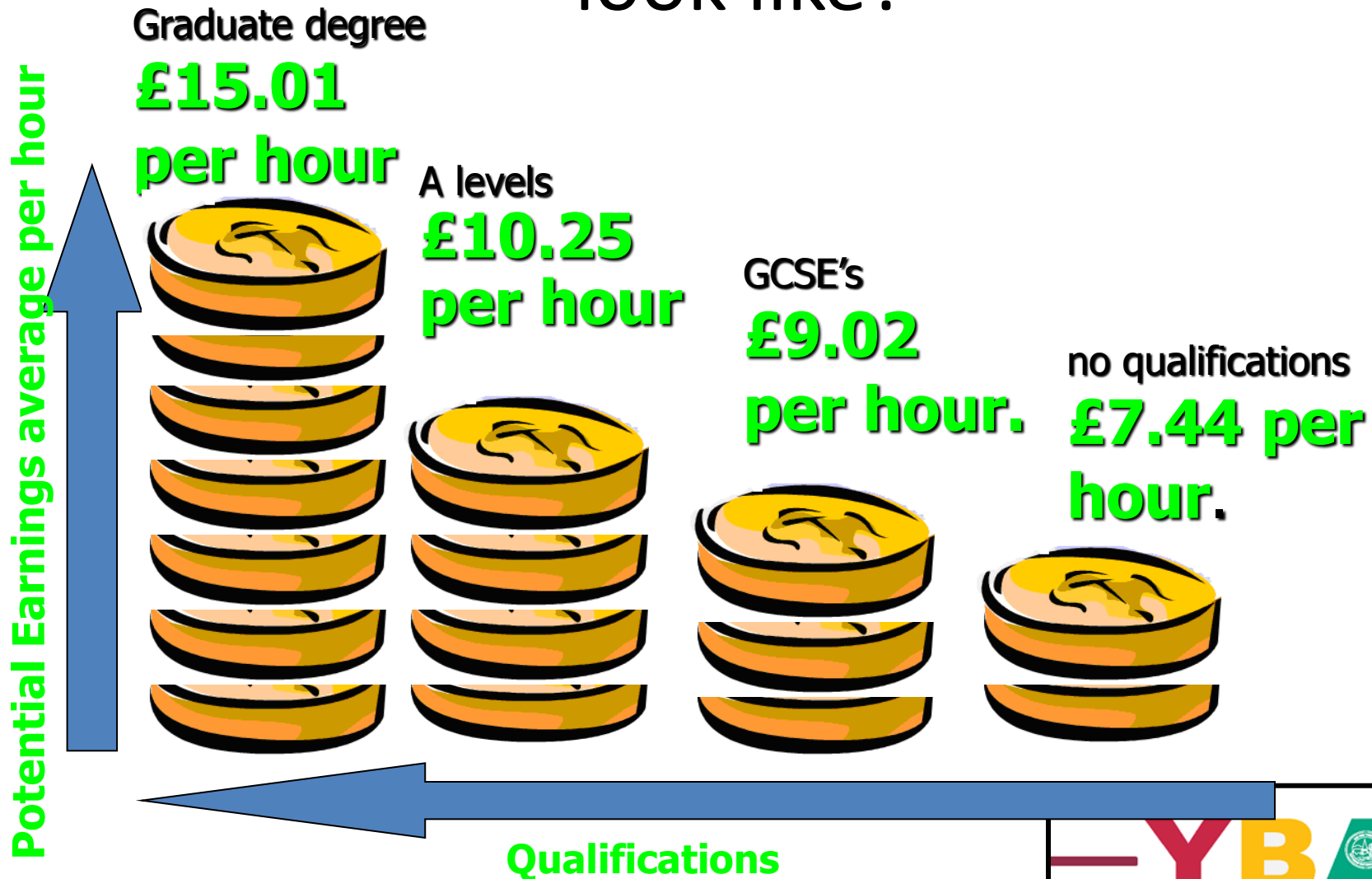
5 minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 minutes late each day	13 days lost!
25 minutes late each day	16 days lost!
30 minutes late each day	19 days lost!



Research suggests that **17 days missed from school equates to a FULL GCSE grade**



What could Simon's potential earnings look like?



What do you want for your child?

Grades = £



Pupils leaving with 5As at GCSE, over a lifetime, will earn £350,000 more than those leaving with 5Cs

You can't build a reputation on what you are *going* to do.

-Henry Ford



So **90%** is **not** as good as it first seemed!

What can **I** do as a parent to increase my child's attendance?



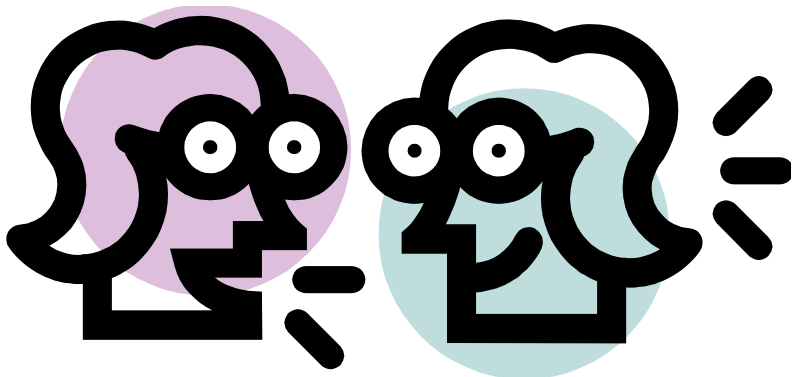
**Behind
Every
Young
Child Who
Believes
In Himself
Is A Parent
Who Believed
First.**

~ The Fresh Quotes ~



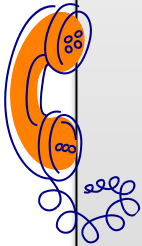
Ways for parents to encourage attendance:

- Find out **regularly** your child's **absence**. (Ask for half days if easier) and check this matches with your **own record**.
- **Talk** regularly with your child about school and how they feel about it. They are more likely to attend if they feel supported and anxieties **listened to**.



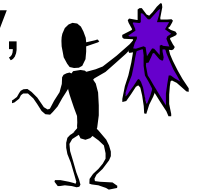
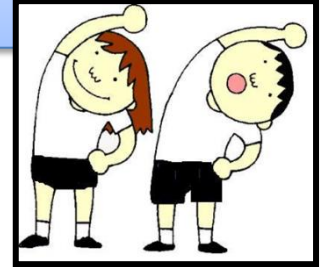
Ways for parents to encourage attendance:

- **Phone** us as soon as possible to tell us why your child is absent, and when you expect them to return. Putting the school number in your phone can save you time. Know the school routine for alerting you to absence.
- Only grant days at home for **genuine** illness. (you will know!!)
- **Avoid** taking holidays in school time.



Ways for parents to encourage attendance:

- Know **routines** of the school **day** to avoid issues, e.g. have they got their PE kit?
- If you have concerns **ring us** – we will **check** attendance and be discreet.
- **PRAISE AND REWARD GOOD ATTENDANCE:** even small successes, e.g. going in promptly, even when first lesson is their worst!

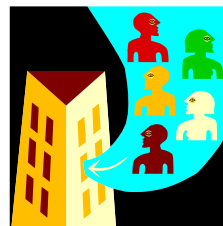


Other tips to help secure good attendance:

If there is a **problem** with your child's attendance, **talk calmly** to your child and **listen** to the **explanation**. There is *always* an explanation. It may not impress you, but it counted enough with your child to make them truant. Pursuing the **reason** for non attendance is **important**.



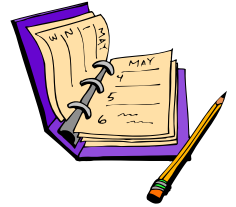
Talk to us to **resolve** issues, **Mrs J. Williams** (Attendance Officer) and your child's Achievement Coordinator is your first point of contact. We maybe able to help and support you and your child. You are **not alone**.



Other tips to help secure good attendance:

Be particularly watchful and supportive in the run up to **tests** and aware of coursework **deadlines**.

Help them **catch up** with missed work, missed day doesn't mean missed work.



Remember **PRAISE** for good attendance.

Attend and Achieve!

If a school can **improve** attendance by **1%**, they will see a **5-6%** improvement in **attainment**. (Department for Education)

Please **help** us and your child by ensuring their attendance remains above **95%**, allowing them to **achieve** their potential.



The
Smartest
people
are those who
never stop
trying



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