



# Attendance Matters

## at Glengowan



October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to the first edition of our new Attendance Newsletter, which will be published every term. An electronic version, in colour, can be accessed on the school app and website.

As part of South Lanarkshire Council's strategy to improve pupil attendance and increase attainment, your child's attendance information will be shared with you on a termly basis.

Attendance at school is fundamental to your child's learning and development. It is our hope that your child's attendance will be as close to 100% as possible. Naturally, this is not always possible due to illness and other mitigating factors. However, where possible, your child should always be at school.

When you receive your child's first attendance summary after the October break, please refer to the Attendance Ladder on the reverse of this newsletter.

**We are always here to support your child's attendance at school. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns, queries or require advice about maximising your child's attendance at school.**

Kind regards, Mr Urquhart

**Improved attendance = increased attainment**

### School Hours

**P1 - P3: 9.00am - 3.00pm**

**P4 - P5: 8.55am - 2.55pm**

**P6 - P7: 8.50am - 2.50pm**

Our staggered start/finish times continue to help ease congestion at the beginning and end of the day.

### Did you know?

- **Pupils attend school for 190 days each school year.**
- **In a whole school year, there are 380 possible openings.**
- **Each school day is equivalent to 2 possible openings.**
- **1 whole school day off = 2 absences.**

### Just a reminder...

To report an child's absence, please call the school office on 01698 882208 or send an email to: [office@glengowan-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk](mailto:office@glengowan-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk)



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Equates to number  
of school days off  
each year

