

Attendance Matters



at Glengowan

January 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to the second edition of our Attendance Newsletter, which will be published every term. An electronic version, in colour, can be accessed on the school app and website. We will continue to share your child's attendance information with you every term and the most recent information, for terms 1 and 2, is enclosed.

The Attendance Ladder on the reverse is a representation of one whole school year (August - June). In many cases, children's attendance will be lower now than it will be in June, after it averages out. We do appreciate that attendance at school is not always possible due to illness and other mitigating factors. However, where possible, your child should always be at school.

The importance of attendance at school, and how it affects achievement and attainment, is a very topical subject at the moment, with many articles being published online and in newspapers. We are always here to support your child's attendance at school. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns, queries or require advice about maximising attendance.

Improved attendance = increased attainment

School Hours

P1 - P3: 9.00am - 3.00pm

P4 - P5: 8.55am - 2.55pm

P6 - P7: 8.50am - 2.50pm

Glengowan's Current Average

Attendance...

94.26%

Did you know ...?

When averaging 90% attendance (20 school days absent per year) over the course of their school career, by the time a young person has reached third year of secondary education, they will have missed the equivalent of an entire year of school.

Education Scotland, Attendance: Understanding the Issues, Nov. 2023.

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



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