

Excellence for all

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Dear Parents/Guardians

RE: ATTENDANCE

As a parent/carer you want the very best for your children. Key to getting the best start in life is having a great education and that starts by attending school every day. The smallest changes to attendance and punctuality – in either direction – make a huge difference to a child's opportunities in life:

- a child who is absent one day of school per week misses an equivalent of two years of their school life
- 90% of young people that take 1 day in every 10 off school fail to achieve five or more good GCSE grades and approximately one third achieve no GCSEs at all

If your child has attendance levels of 96% or better it means that your child has a 'very good chance' of achieving GCSE grades at the higher levels of 9 – 5.

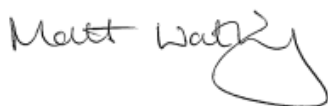
If your child's attendance is becoming a problem we will quickly get in touch with you. We will work together to improve your child's attendance and put into place interventions to support you and rectify poor attendance.

In the run up to the end of this term we will be having pro-active discussions with key students to improve attendance. As parents and carers, we are asking that you do the same too please. At Humberston Academy we believe every minute of every day at school counts.

If you would like to discuss how to improve your child's attendance, please be assured that we are here to help and want to do whatever we can to support you.

Thank you for taking the time to read this message.

Yours sincerely



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Principal



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