

Autumn term 2023



2023-24 Whole school attendance (September 23-February 24) = **97%**

Whole School Autumn term attendance = **96.7%**

Spring term attendance target = **+96.7%**

Autumn term attendance by class – Congratulations to Detmold Class (FS2) who recorded the highest attendance.

FS2	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
99.8%	96.4%	94.5%	998.4%	96.4%	96.5%	92.5%

Congratulations to our 100% Attendance Club for the Autumn term 2023

Grayson Crammond, Martha Cunningham, Katie Davies, Theo Duffy, Elle Johnstone, Ava Moorey, Arabella O'Donnell, Anna Parkinson, Daniel Parkinson, William Rossiter, Annabelle Shinn, Poppy Shinn, Elsie Thompson, William Thompson, Imogen Vickerstaff, Albie Walker and Amelie Wallace.

DCS Attendance Directive 3.2.6 (which can be found on our Safeguarding and School Policies tabs on the school website)

Please find attached to this Attendance Matters, Annex E from the above directive to all DCS Schools overseas. I would strongly encourage all parents to consider the following information regarding unauthorised absence

Repeat Unauthorised Absences & Persistent Lateness

- If attendance is **above 98%** and pupil has two separate unauthorised absences: School to monitor attendance.
- If attendance is **above 96%** and pupil has two separate unauthorised absences: T/C from schools to discuss absence and consider invite to informal meeting with EWO and school.
- If attendance is **below 96%** or **3** separate unauthorised absences: Referral to EWO and parents/carers invited in for MOD Attendance Review (MOR).

Exceptional term time leave – information from Directive 3.2.6

Valid reasons for **authorised absence** include:

- a. Illness and medical/dental appointments.
- b. Religious observance – where the day is exclusively set apart for religious observance by the religious body to which the pupil's parents belong. If necessary, the school will seek advice from the parents' religious body to confirm whether the day is set apart.
- c. Post Operational Leave.
- d. Family terminal illness or bereavement.

*Family holidays are not justified reasons for authorised absence during term time and will be registered as authorised absence. Exception: when in year amendments to the school's published academic calendar are made.

*POL and Exceptional Leave request forms should be collected from the Main Office. They are also available via DCS Attendance Directive 3.2.6 on our website (Annex B and C).



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School Calendar 2023/24

Autumn Term 2023

First Day of Term	Wednesday 6 th September 2023
Half Term	Monday 23 rd October – Friday 27 th October 2023
Last Day of Term	Wednesday 20 th December 2023 (1315hrs finish)

Spring Term 2024

First Day of Term	Thursday 4 th January 2024
Half Term	Monday 12 th February – Friday 16 th February 2024
Last day of Term	Friday 22 nd March 2024 (1315hrs finish)

Summer Term 2024

First Day of Term	Tuesday 9 th April 2024
May Bank Holiday	Monday 6th May 2024 (School closed)
Half Term	Monday 27 th May to Friday 31 st May 2024
Last Day of Term	Friday 19 th July 2024 (1315hrs finish)

Attenborough School closure days due to professional learning

Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th September 2023

Monday 27th November 2023

Monday 8th April 2024

+1 day of twilight learning sessions completed across academic year 2023-24

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School Calendar 2024/25

Autumn Term 2024

First Day of Term	Thursday 5 th September 2024
Half Term	Monday 28 th October – Friday 1 st November 2024
Last Day of Term	Wednesday 18 th December 2024 (1315hrs finish)

Spring Term 2025

First Day of Term	Tuesday 7 th January 2025
Half Term	Monday 17 th February – Friday 21 st February 2025
Last day of Term	Tuesday 8 th April 2025 (1315hrs finish)

Summer Term 2025

First Day of Term	Thursday 24 th April 2025
UK May Bank Holiday	Monday 5th May 2025 (School closed)
Half Term	Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May 2025
Last Day of Term	Thursday 24 th July 2025 (1315hrs finish)

Attenborough School closure days due to professional learning

Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th September 2024
Monday 6th January 2025
Friday 2nd May 2025