

Graveney Primary - Newsletter 2

'Learning and Achieving Together'

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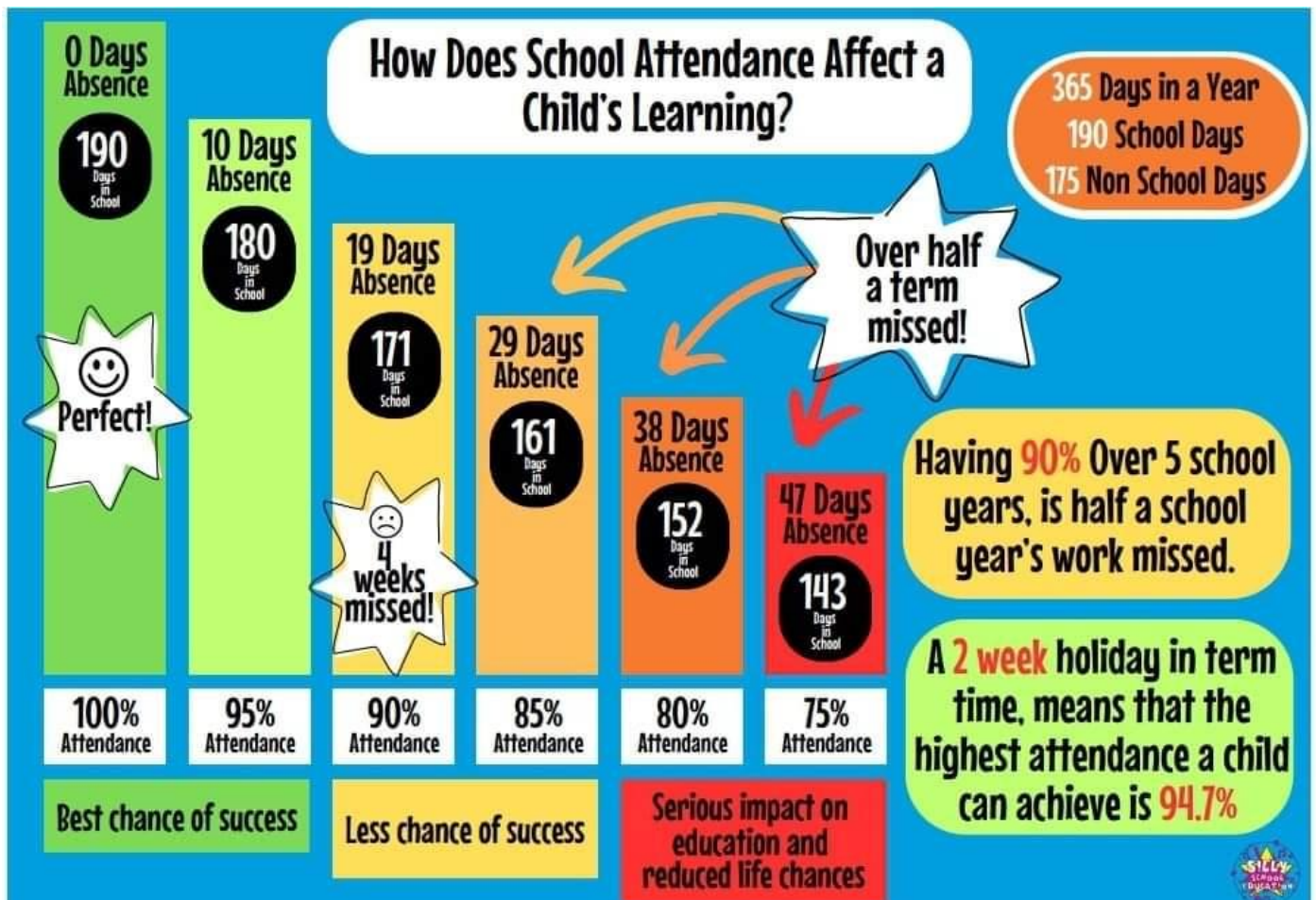
Non Uniform Day

On Friday 20th September the school will be supporting Jeans for Genes - The Jeans for Genes campaign raises awareness of the daily challenges faced by those living with a genetic condition and raises money to fund projects that make a tangible difference to the lives of those affected. Please make a donation on our School Comms app or bring along your coins on Friday for our collection. If you would like to find out more about this charity please visit their website [Jeans for Genes Week](https://www.jeansforgenesweek.org/)



Attendance

Over the summer the school has been busy reviewing our [Attendance Policy](#) (a copy of this is available on the school website). There have been changes to the national guidance for schools and our review of this policy is to ensure that we are recording all of our absence data correctly to the Department for Education. There have also been changes to the charges for penalty notices for unauthorised absence. Please note that a penalty notice would only be issued if the school has serious concerns about your child's absence. As a school we believe it is important that we discuss these concerns with you and support you with improving their attendance before this action would be taken.



Our Book Fayre is coming back ...

This will be in school from Wednesday 18th September until Tuesday 24th. Please feel free to pop into school and take a look at the books. Your support helps us purchase new books for our classrooms and library. **Children will be bringing home their wish list (they do not need to purchase all of these!)**

 TRAVELLING BOOKS

COME TO THE 3 FOR 2 BOOK FAIR

FILL YOUR
SCHOOL WITH
FREE BOOKS
WHEN YOU BUY
FROM THE
BOOK FAIR*

READING
GIVES YOU
SUPERPOWERS!

GET 3 BOOKS FOR THE PRICE OF 2[†]

LAST YEAR, YOUR SUPPORT
HELPED TO DONATE
OVER £5.3M IN BOOKS TO
SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE



Payment at our Book Fair

Please check with your school for the best way to pay for your books

- You can pay easily and securely for these books and many more when you attend the Fair by using our online payment link at www.travellingbooks.co.uk/pay and simply selecting your school from the drop down menu.
- If you're unable to visit the Book Fair, your child will be sent home with a Wish List and you can pay for their chosen books using our online payment system. Please make sure the Wish List is returned to your child's school.
- Pre-paid gift vouchers are available in £5, £10, £15, £20 and £25. Go to www.travellingbooks.co.uk/parents to buy vouchers for your child before the Fair.

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Breakfast Club



Following requests from some of our parents, I am very pleased to announce we have extended the time of our school day. Breakfast club will now be opening at 7:45am every day to help those of you who need an early drop off in the mornings. We are not increasing the charge for this (£3.00 per morning). Places **must** be booked on our School Comms App.

Parish News

The Family Trust

Dean from The Family Trust will be leading an informal service of worship at St Barnabas Parish Centre, The Street, Boughton on Sunday 22 September at 10.30 am. This will be a family-friendly service, with the theme 'Signs and Blessings'. Families from Graveney School are warmly invited to join us. We do hope you will be able to come and share in this special service. Pat Saunders, Licensed Lay Minister, Graveney Parish Church

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Important Dates:

September

- 18th – 24th - Travelling Book Fair
- 20th - Jeans for Genes day – Wear non-uniform
- 30th – Bag2school collection – further details to follow from the PTA
- 30th – Bikeability for Scorpions class - further details to follow

October

- 1st & 2nd – Bikeability for Scorpions class continues
- 16th - Parent Consultation Meetings – All classes (Further details will follow)
- 17th – Parent Consultation Meetings – Bumblebees, Dragonflies and Scorpions only
- 18th - End of Term 1 - 3.15pm finish
- 19th October – 3rd November – School Holiday (including our week of Inset days)

November

- 4th - Start of Term 2
- 6th – School Photos (Individual and Sibling Photographs)

December

- 4th – Bumblebees and Ladybirds Nativity - further details to follow
- 5th – Flu Vaccinations (All year groups)
- 6th – Christmas Fayre - further details to follow
- 13th – Panto Bus will be in school
- 20th – Last day of term – school closes at 2pm

Don't forget to sign up for the link to the [school calendar](#) on our website. All the important dates for this year have already been added 😊