

**At Morgan we aim to provide an organised and progressive education. By continually missing days your child may miss important steps in Their learning.**

If your child is away the school needs to know why

Missing 5 days in 3 weeks equals losing 33% of a child's learning time

Missing 10 days every term equals losing over 1 year of learning by the end of Primary School

Missing 20 days every term equals losing over 2 whole years of learning by the end of Primary School

Morgan Primary School aims to achieve quality education outcomes for all students. If children do not regularly attend school they cannot gain maximum benefit from schooling.

Research shows that attendance at school all day and every day positively affects learning, wellbeing, employment and life outcomes for children and young people.

Attendance at school is compulsory. The Education and Children's Services Act 2019 states that all children must attend school from 6 until they turn 17.

Parents or legal guardians (carers) can be prosecuted if they do not make sure their child goes to school. This can mean being fined or getting a criminal conviction.

### SPECIAL NOTES

Authorisation of exemptions:

In some circumstances, the principal has authority to approve exemption from school. This can be for up to 1 month. It can also be for up to 12 months for a family holiday.

Before asking for an exemption, families should talk to a site leader. Students must attend school until an exemption is approved.

Our school requires an exemption for absences more than 3 days in a row. This does not include illness.

Parents or carers must apply in writing. The principal will advise then in writing of their decision. A copy is kept in the student record folder. Forms are available from the front office.

Exemptions of more than 1 month (excluding holidays) must be approved by the department's central office.

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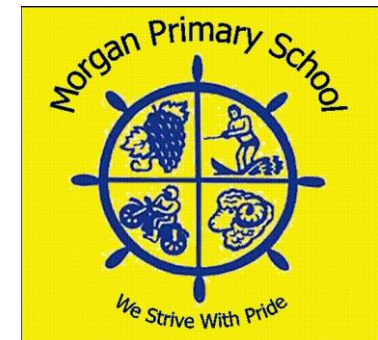
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