

"Enjoyment in Education for Everyone"

Attendance News

Attendance Award Winners

Foundation Stage

No winner this week



Foundation 1-

A.M 85%

P.M 88%

Red 1 (NS) 88%

Red 2 (PT) 93%

Key Stage 1

No winner this week



Y1-96%

Y2-94%

Y3-94%

Y4-96%

Y5-85%

Lower Key Stage 2

No winner this week



G1-95%

G2-96%

G3-94%

G4-91%

G5-94%

Upper Key Stage 2

B4
98%

B1-95%

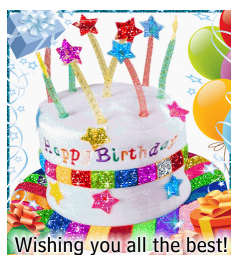
B2-88%

B3-91%

B5-91%

Happy Birthday to you.....we hope you like your birthday cards x

Amara



Mia
&
Arlo

Keeva
Beatrice
&
Iris

Lotti,
Imogen
&
William



£10.00 Weekly Raffle Draw - Two prizes every week!

Every week the children who have achieved 100% attendance go into a raffle draw to win
£10.00 Love to Shop Vouchers.

This week's winner's are KS1–Miley & KS2 –Yasmin Congratulations!

Autumn Term Parent Raffle - £25.00 Draw

The names of all children who achieve an attendance of 97% or above with no late marks in the register between
Thursday 3rd September 2026 and Friday 18th December 2026 will go into a raffle draw for their parents to win
£25.00 in Love To Shop Vouchers.

To help your child achieve good attendance at Sparken Hill Academy we ask that you:

Make sure your child arrives at school on time.

Foundation classes open at 08.30



KS1 & KS2 open at 8.45am.

**Contact school each day your child is absent by 9.00am
via the Arbor App or telephone 01909 534061**

**Discuss with school, at the earliest opportunity, any problems/worries that are
affecting your child's attendance.**

Arrange medical, dental and opticians appointments outside of school hours.

All children need to achieve and maintain an Attendance of 97%

To help your child achieve good attendance at Sparken Hill Academy we promise that we will:

- ♦ Support you in any way we can to ensure that your child attends school everyday on time
- ♦ Contact you if we identify that your child's attendance is of concern to us
- ♦ Provide you with regular updates on your child's attendance

Important information for parents - Penalty Notices

The threshold for issuing Penalty Notices (fines) has changed with effect from **19th August 2024**. Please see full details shown below. Penalty Notices (fines) can be issued for unauthorised absences. An absence is marked unauthorised when:

- ♦ A pupil arrives late into school after the registers have closed at 9.30am.
- ♦ A pupil is absent from school but the parent/carers does not contact school to give a reason for the absence.
- ♦ Joint sibling or Birthday absence
- ♦ A pupil is absent from school for the purpose of a holiday.
- ♦ School take the decision not to authorise an absence.

Persistent Absence

The threshold used for persistent absence is 90%. This means that if your child's attendance falls below 90% your child will be registered as a persistent absentee and the local authority can now take legal action against parents/carers.

Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance Have Changed!

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued **after 19th August 2024**.

Per Parent, Per Child

Penalty Notice Fines will now be issued to each parent, for each child that was absent.

For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

5 consecutive days of term time leave

Penalty Notice Fines will be issued for Term Time Leave of 5 or more consecutive days.

10 sessions of Unauthorised absence in a 10-week period

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

Second Offence

(within 3 years)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £1000 per parent, per child.

Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate, due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.