



# Diss High School

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Our school motto is,  
"Work hard, be kind"

Dear Parents/Carers,

September 2024

Re: School Attendance

At Diss High School, we believe in the full potential of every student under our care. Education is a fundamental right for every child, and as a school, our mission is to provide them with an educational experience that not only develops their minds but also encourages personal growth. We recognise that the foundation of success lies in consistent attendance, and we have high expectations for each pupil to ensure they reach their fullest potential.

We understand the pivotal role that excellent school attendance plays in fostering academic achievement and personal development. In the event that a pupil faces challenges in maintaining good attendance, we want to assure you that we will provide the necessary support to help overcome any obstacles.

As we continue our journey towards holistic educational excellence, we are pleased to continue our "100%ers Club". Just like the previous years, our students will have the opportunity to win a prize during a fortnightly draw in form time. Students are entered into the draw if they have achieved 100% attendance in the previous two weeks. This is also an opportunity to discuss the merits of regular attendance. Alongside this, extra positive points awarded for consistently excellent or radically improved attendance over the year. The positives can then be "spent" (along with their other positives) in our "Positives Shop" which reopen for business later this month.

We deeply appreciate the vital role that parents/carers play in their child's education. We wholeheartedly encourage you to work in partnership with the school to ensure your child's success. If there are any potential barriers that might affect your child's attendance, please remember to contact us for support and we will do what we can to help.

You may have read about changes to the rules regarding school attendance that came into force nationally from the 19<sup>th</sup> August this year. For your convenience, a document is attached which outlines some of those changes. Our updated school attendance policy will be accessible on our website shortly. We request all parents and carers to take the time to read the attached document and the policy to get an understanding of the expectations and procedures that our school follows.

Thank you for your unwavering support in maintaining a positive learning environment for our students. Together, we can aim for a bright and successful future for each child at Diss High School. We look forward to another exciting and productive year ahead.

Yours faithfully,

Mr B Lea - Assistant Headteacher

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EVERY DAY IN SCHOOL MATTERS - 80% attendance over 5 years is the equivalent to missing an entire year of school.

