

# St Cecilia's Catholic Infant & Nursery School

## Child-friendly Attendance Policy



### Why do we need to come to school?

- To learn new things.
- Being at school every day improves your chances of getting a job or going to college and university when you get older.
- It's the law.
- Being part of a group helps us to get on well with others and make friends.
- Taking part in clubs and teams is fun and helps us to play together and get better at what we do.
- Educational visits help us to learn about the big wide world outside of school.



### What happens if you don't come to school?

- Children don't learn as well and will fall behind with their learning.
- Your parents could get in trouble for not sending you to school.
- You might get bored at home, develop bad habits and become lazy.
- You don't get to see your friends in class.
- You miss out on special days, celebrations, educational visits, school clubs and team events

### What is good attendance?

- In Liverpool, every child should try to come into school at least 97% of the time.
- Children should always try to come to school unless they are **REALLY ILL**.



### What to do if you don't come to school

- The people who look after us telephone school to let the school know what is wrong.
- They may write a letter on the first day and send it in to school.
- Call into school office and explain.
- They may bring a doctor's letter in to school.



### Rewards

- Class Trophies presented each week at Badges Assembly for Attendance and Punctuality.
  - At the end of each half term children who have tried really hard, and have 100% attendance are given special prizes by Mrs. van de Waal.
  - Children with 100% Attendance for the **full year** are specially rewarded on the last day.

