



ATTENDANCE

The school year =190 days. Good attendance is judged by the DfE to be 95% or above. The following table helps to illustrate the impact of poor attendance.

| % attendance | Number of school days missed | Average number of lessons missed |
|--------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 95 | 1 week 4 ½ days | 58 |
| 90 | 3 weeks 4 days | 76 |
| 85 | 5 weeks 3 ½ days (nearly half a term) | 114 |
| 80 | 7 weeks 3 days | 152 |
| 75 | 9 weeks 3 ½ days | 190 |
| 70 | 11 weeks 2 days. One term's learning missed | 228 |

We would like to remind parents that we are no longer able to authorise absences for holidays.

Parents may receive a fixed penalty notice for an unauthorised holiday absence in term time.

WELCOME

We would like to welcome new children: Honor in Y6 and Haadi and Claudia in Y1. We also welcome Miss O'Brien who has joined the cleaning team.

STAFF NEWS

We have several associate teachers working with us this term. Miss Radcliffe and Miss Buckley are in Y5, Mr Taylor is in Y6, Miss Mulholland is in Y1 and Miss Catherine is in Y2. We hope they find their time with us a valuable experience.



We are delighted to announce that the Christmas Fair raised just over £1000, thank you to everyone who supported this event.

PARENTS' EVENING

Parents' Evenings this term will be 14th and 15th February. This will be an opportunity for you to meet with staff members, admire the children's work and discuss next steps. Booking will be via the school website. Details to follow.

E-SAFETY

<https://youtu.be/mO1TYt5FAo0>

This link to an NSPCC video is for parents to understand how to set restrictions on iPhone to restrict connectivity.

We would like to remind parents that there have been concerns surrounding safety of the app *Musical.ly*

PRIDE OF IRBY PRIMARY

Our choir sang beautifully at the end of last term at Tesco in Bidston and received praise for their singing and impeccable behaviour.

Well done to the Y3 football team who made it to the final round of the Everton tournament. Despite great play and fantastic attitudes, they didn't win this time but should be commended for their team spirit and determination.

DATES

HALF TERM

School closes - 17.2.17

School opens -27.2.17

SPRING

School closes - 31.3.17

SUMMER

School opens -18.4.17

May Bank Holiday- 1.5.17

INSET 4.5.17

HALF TERM

School closes - 26.5.17

INSET 5.6.17

School opens -6.6.17

School closes-25.7.17

INSET 4.9.17

School opens -5.9.17

OTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

27.1.17 & 30.1.17 Life

Education Caravan

31.1.17 Y6 Tramere football tournament

7.2.17 Safer Internet day

7.2.17 Cyberbullying

Awareness workshops

14.2.17 & 15.2.17 Parents' Evenings

27.2.17 & 6.3.17 Y5 Bike Right

1.3.17 Secondary Allocation Day

2.3.17 World Book Day

5.3.17 St Chad's 50th anniversary

10.3.17 Y4 Class assembly

13.3.17 Y5/6 cricket tournament

14.3.17 Y5/6 Shakespeare

14.3.17 Mayor's Quiz

21.3.17 Maths Bee

29.3.17 Spelling Bee

29.3.17 Music Evening

Please don't forget to check irbyprimary.com for up to date information.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Parking - Please remember to park safely around our school and with respect for residents. **Earrings**- Please ensure that children's earrings are removed before school. Thank you for your co-operation.

