

Attendance Focus



March 2025

Attendance Update

Spring is Here!

As we welcome the vibrant season of spring, we're noticing all the beautiful signs of nature coming to life around us and it's the perfect time to start thinking about your upcoming holidays. To help us maintain strong attendance and ensure all students can fully engage in their learning, we kindly ask that you book your holidays outside of term-time.

Unfortunately, we've observed an increase in term-time holidays this academic year.

The table below contains the data on the number of days holiday taken by key stage during the period September-February half-term for both this year and last year:

Cohort	KS2 – Days holiday	KS3 – Days holiday	Total number
2023-2024	88	73	161
2024-2025	130	108	238

A one-week term-time holiday is 25 hours of missed learning.

The number of term time holiday days has increased by 77 days across the whole school.

National attendance data

We're happy to report that our whole school attendance is above the national average by 0.9%. Thank you to the whole school community for your commitment.

Does your child need support?

We are here to help. If your child is struggling to attend school regularly and you want to have a chat with the attendance team, please reach out. We recognise that there are multiple reasons that attendance can be challenging, and we actively encourage parents and students to talk to us about any concerns. You can reach the attendance team by emailing us: attendance@edwintree.herts.sch.uk

Attendance wordsearch

Complete the wordsearch and return it to Mrs Heywood by Thursday 20th March. This is not home learning, and it is optional if you wish to take part. If you would like a paper copy, please see Mrs Heywood.

Name: _____

Attendance wordsearch

C	N	T	A	H	F	R	I	D	A	Y	T	T	Z	Y	F	O	T
J	K	H	E	T	T	N	S	V	A	T	M	O	N	D	A	Y	E
F	C	F	W	D	T	H	P	L	A	Y	G	R	O	U	N	D	A
S	L	T	R	E	W	E	U	P	R	R	M	A	T	H	S	B	C
C	A	U	M	I	D	I	N	R	E	U	E	S	C	L	G	P	H
I	S	E	S	F	E	N	N	D	S	N	C	G	C	F	W	J	E
E	S	S	E	Y	P	N	E	S	A	D	C	K	I	H	C	T	R
N	R	D	J	Y	T	X	D	S	T	N	A	I	S	S	O	W	V
C	O	A	E	U	G	R	A	S	D	R	C	Y	L	A	T	O	S
E	O	Y	M	B	I	G	X	V	R	A	E	E	U	P	C	E	L
N	M	E	L	E	S	S	O	N	S	T	Y	E	Q	Q	F	K	R
C	S	E	N	G	L	I	S	H	D	Q	I	Q	W	S	F	K	L

Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

ATTENDANCE
PLAYGROUND
EDWINSTREE
CLASSROOM
WEDNESDAY
RUCKSACK
REGISTER

THURSDAY
LESSONS
FRIENDS
TEACHER
ENGLISH
SCIENCE
TUESDAY

SCHOOL
PENCIL
MONDAY
FRIDAY
MATHS

One entry chosen at random will win a prize. Good Luck!