

GAVEN

STATE SCHOOL



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Term 2 2016 - Issue 8

Term 2 Calendar

| Term 2 School Events Calendar | | | | | |
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| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
| Week 1 | 11/04/2016 | 12/04/2016 | 13/04/2016 | 14/04/2016 | 15/04/2016 |
| | | | | School Photos | |
| Week 2 | 18/04/2016 | 19/04/2016 | 20/04/2016 | 21/04/2016 | 22/04/2016 |
| | | | | | ANZAC Day Ceremony |
| Week 3 | 25/04/2016 | 26/04/2016 | 27/04/2016 | 28/04/2016 | 29/04/2016 |
| | ANZAC Day Public Holiday | | | Fun Run/Cross Country | |
| Week 4 | 2/05/2016 | 3/05/2016 | 4/05/2016 | 5/05/2016 | 6/05/2016 |
| | Labor Day Public Holiday | | Mother's Day Stall | Mother's Day Stall | |
| Week 5 | 9/05/2016 | 10/05/2016 NAPLAN | 11/05/2016 NAPLAN | 12/05/2016 NAPLAN | 13/05/2016 |
| | Whole School Assembly | | | | |
| Week 6 | 16/05/2016 Interschool Sport | 17/05/2016 Book Fair P&C Meeting | 18/05/2016 Book Fair | 19/05/2016 Book Fair | 20/05/2016 Walk Safely to School Day Book Fair The Very Hungry Caterpillar Prep & |

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| Week 7 | 23/05/2016 Interschool Sport | 24/05/2016 | 25/05/2016 Suns Cup | 26/05/2016 | 27/05/2016 |
| Week 8 | 30/05/2016 Interschool Sport | 31/05/2016 | 1/06/2016 | 2/06/2016 | 3/06/2016 |
| Week 9 | 6/06/2016 Whole School Assembly | 7/06/2016 | 8/06/2016 | 9/06/2016 | 10/06/2016 |
| Week 10 | 13/06/2016 | 14/06/2016 | 15/06/2016 | 16/06/2016 | 17/06/2016 |

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| Week 11 | 20/6/2016 | 21/6/2016 P&C Meeting | 22/6/2016 | 23/6/2016 Art Show Parent Teacher Interviews | 24/6/2016 Term 2 ends |
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Principal's Message

National Walk Safely to School Day Friday 20 May

It was great to see the number of students, (and parents), again walking to school last Friday. All up we had 268 students walk to school and receive their sticker. Through a random number draw a prize will be presented to one junior and one senior student that walked to school on next week's assembly. Congratulations to everyone involved in the morning and especially to all the staff that helped hand out stickers to all the walkers.

The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Our Prep and Year 1 students went to "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" play at the Arts Centre on Friday. It was very exciting for all concerned. I hear that the show was great and that the students really enjoyed it. My thanks to Mrs Falciola for organising this excursion and to the Prep and Year 1 staff for supporting and supervising the students.

Interschool Sports

Monday saw the first of our Cluster Sports Days with some nice weather for a change. All of our teams have been very competitive thanks to the training undertaken by our wonderful group of staff coaches. The commitment, skills, behaviour and sportsmanship of the various teams has always been a feature of Gaven state School, and this current crop of team has not let us down. Well done to everyone involved. The other dates for Cluster Sport are: 1, 15 and 22 June. Results of the first round are below in 'SPORTSNEWS'

Artist in Residence

The Artist in Residence Program is in full flight and the results of the program are already looking quite spectacular. The program will culminate with our Art Show to be held in the Woodgate Hall on Thursday 23 June. We aim to have a piece of work by all students in the school at this show and it is always a must see as it showcases the artistic talents of the students in our school.

School Disco

Our school Disco for term 2 has been postponed to Thursday 2 June. The Junior Disco theme is "Crazy Hair" and will run from 5.30pm-6.30pm and the Senior Disco's theme is "Movies and Games Characters" and will run from 6.30pm-8.00pm. There will be prizes for the most creative costume (home-made), best dancers and game winners. Senior students will not be allowed in the Junior Disco and so should only arrive just before the Senior Disco at 6.30pm. Cost will be \$4 per student.

Swimming

In Term 3 we are providing the opportunity for all of our Years P-2 students to participate in an 8 week "Learn to Swim/Stroke Correction" program from Week 2 to Week 9 of next term (19th July to 10th September). Lessons will be conducted on either a Tuesday or Thursday and will be half an hour long. The aim of the program is to provide students with essential swimming skills.

Response to Intervention

We sent a team of 4 staff members to Sharks on Thursday and Friday to undertake training with respect to "Response to Intervention". This was the second part of the training for Professional Learning Communities and will undoubtedly result in some important conversations in our school as to how to better support our students. Our staff are always learning and looking for better ways of supporting and working with students and this has been a big reason behind the improvement in our results over a long and sustained period.

School and Community Meeting

In this newsletter, I have published the first of the results of our meeting. The first activity of the school and community meeting was to consider our purpose, vision and values for our school. We had some great feedback from the groups and with the help of the facilitators on the night, our leadership team put together a new look purpose, vision and values which you can see below. I will publish the identified main priorities in the next newsletter once the tallying process of votes is fully completed.



Gaven State School



Our School Community consists of Students & Staff

P&C Volunteers, Parents/Carers/Families & Community Members.

The following are the agreed Purpose, Visions & Values of our School Community.

OUR PURPOSE

*"To make a positive difference for each and every child, each and every day."
Pride, Respect, Learning*

OUR VISION

"To prepare every child for the future through the commitment to a quality curriculum, life-long learning and safe, supportive and engaging learning environments."

OUR VALUES AND BELIEFS

Our Purpose and Vision is realised through the following Values and Beliefs.

In our School Community our Values are:

BE SAFE

- Safe and caring learning environment
- School Community approach to developing responsible behaviour and choices
- School Community well-being
- Fun and enjoyment

BE PROUD

- Freedom***
- Pride in Ourselves, our school and our achievements
- Pride in our uniqueness and culture
- Celebrating Success

BE RESPECTFUL

- Care and Compassion***
- Fair Go***
- Honesty & Trustworthiness
- Integrity***
- Respect***
- Responsibility***
- Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion***
- Cohesive and co-operative school community
- Shared leadership and ownership
- Collaborative/consultative decision-making
- Positive interpersonal relationships
- Conflict resolution and problem solving

BE A LEARNER

- Doing Your Best***
- Resilience***
- Students actively engage in relevant and challenging learning experiences
- Excellence in learning and teaching focussing on explicit teaching, high expectations and rich feedback
- Evidence-based learning and teaching processes
- Differentiated curriculum
- Alignment of curriculum, assessment and reporting
- Information and communication technologies embedded within our curriculum
- Life-long learning
- Continuous improvement
- Consistent implementation of school programs, policies and procedures

*Items in bold are the 9 Values for Australian Schooling developed and agreed to by all states and territories in 2005

Student of the Week

| Junior | | Senior | |
|---------------------|--------|---------|-------|
| Name | Class | Name | Class |
| Blaze, Ella & Dylan | Prep A | Chase | 3A |
| Luka | Prep A | | 3A |
| Ellie | Prep B | | 3B |
| | Prep B | | 3B |
| Abby | Prep C | Lachlan | 3C |
| | Prep C | | 3C |
| Lilly | Prep D | Lily | 3/4D |
| Addison | Prep D | | 3/4D |
| Kyle | 1A | Daniel | 4A |
| | 1A | | 4A |
| Juliano | 1B | Grace | 4B |
| | 1B | | 4B |
| Kain | 1C | Pou | 4C |
| | 1C | | 4C |
| Zeppln | 1D | Alana | 5A |
| | 1D | | 5A |
| Lyric | 2A | Taylah | 5B |
| | 2A | | 5B |
| Jai | 2B | Malachi | 5C |

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|--------|----|--|--------|------|
| Koby | 2B | | | 5C |
| Che | 2C | | Liam | 6A |
| | 2C | | | 6A |
| Chayce | 2D | | David | 5/6B |
| | 2D | | | 5/6B |
| | | | Hayley | 5/6C |
| | | | | 5/6C |

Student Of The Week

| Junior | | Senior | |
|---------|--------|---------|-------|
| Name | Class | Name | Class |
| Rakaia | Prep A | Lucian | 3A |
| | Prep A | Ethan | 3A |
| Mikayla | Prep B | Romy | 3B |
| | Prep B | Ellie | 3B |
| Jed | Prep C | Ky'as | 3C |
| Ianna | Prep C | Ethan | 3C |
| Nevaeh | Prep D | Kye | 3/4D |
| Savanna | Prep D | Aaliyah | 3/4D |
| Cooper | 1A | Hayley | 4A |
| Madi | 1A | Zac | 4A |
| Mia | 1B | Aleisha | 4B |
| Benny | 1B | Luke | 4B |
| Chloe | 1C | Katrina | 4C |
| Abbie | 1C | London | 4C |
| Sienna | 1D | Connor | 5A |
| Faith | 1D | Caitlyn | 5A |
| Lorelai | 2A | Cara | 5B |
| Ryan | 2A | Tammin | 5B |
| Ranui | 2B | Dekyn | 5C |
| Ella | 2B | Hollie | 5C |
| Elysse | 2C | Tahlia | 6A |
| Beau | 2C | Sam | 6A |
| Jett | 2D | Chloe | 5/6B |
| | 2D | Jasmine | 5/6B |
| | | Harper | 5/6C |
| | | Alyssa | 5/6C |

Gaven Spirit Award

| Name | Class | Year Level |
|--------|--------|------------|
| Zara | Prep C | Prep |
| Jordan | 1C | Year 1 |
| Taylah | 2C | Year 2 |
| Grace | 3/4D | Year 3 |
| Mia | 4C | Year 4 |
| Grace | 5C | Year 5 |
| Emma | 5/6C | Year 6 |

Sports News

District Cross Country 2016

The District Cross Country races were held at Runaway Bay Cricket Club, Thursday 19th May. Gaven selected a team of 30 10, 11 and 12 year olds to compete. Each race had over 100 students competing. Five of our students were selected in the Broadwater team. They were:

Joshua M, Lachlan B – 11 year old Boys

Noah D– 12 year old Boys

Paris C, Grace S– 12 year old Girls.

The following is a list of results of students who finished inside the top 30 places in their respective races.

3rd - Joshua M 11 year old boys

4th - Noah D 12 year old boys

8th – Lachlan B 11 year old boys

9th – Paris C 12 year old girls

14th – Grace S year old girls

21st – Jade C 11 year old girls

23rd – Joshua K 12 year old boys

28th – Ebony C 10 year old girls

29th – Jacob Z 10 year old boys

30th – William C 12 year old boys

Physical Education Teacher – Kurt Gislingham

Interschool Sports Results

| | Netball | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Senior A | | |
| Gaven 4 | v's | Pacific Pines 12 |
| Gaven 5 | v's | Arundel 11 |
| Junior A | | |
| Gaven 6 | v's | Biggera Waters 0 |
| Gaven 1 | v's | Pacific Pines 11 |
| | | |
| Senior B | | |
| Gaven 0 | v's | Silkwood 10 |
| Gaven 5 | v's | Silkwood 5 |
| | | |
| Junior B | | |
| Gaven (won due to forfeit) | v's | Pacific Pines |
| Gaven 8 | v's | Oxford 8 |
| | | |
| | Touch | |
| Senior A | | |
| Gaven 1 | V's | Labrador 4 |
| Gaven 9 | V's | Labrador 0 |
| Junior A | | |
| Gaven 3 | v's | Labrador 3 |
| Gaven 6 | V's | Labrador 3 |
| Senior B | | |
| Gaven 0 | v's | Ashmore 3 |
| Gaven 2 | V's | Labrador 7 |
| Junior B | | |
| Gaven 0 | V's | Labrador 9 |
| Gaven 1 | V's | Ashmore 12 |
| | | |
| | Soccer | |
| Junior A | | |
| Gaven 4 | v's | Ashmore 0 |
| Gaven 6 | v's | Arundel 1 |
| Junior B | | |
| Gaven 14 | v's | Ashmore 0 |
| Gaven 2 | v's | Biggera Waters 1 |
| | | |
| | AFL | |
| Gaven 105 | v's | Arundel 0 |
| Gaven 53 | v's | Biggera Waters 0 |
| Gaven 100 | v's | Silkwood 0 |

A Focus on Teaching in Prep

Our Prep teachers, and others across the state, are involved in a program to enhance the ways in which they teach children in the first year of school. Using current national and international research identifying how young children learn best, we will be reflecting on our current teaching practices and considering opportunities to deliver the curriculum in ways that take account of children's development.

Our teachers make decisions about the best way to teach particular subjects, content or groups of children, and draw on a range of different approaches. As a teaching team, we continue to refine our teaching practices in response to the children's strengths and capabilities, interests and learning achievements. During this program, we will focus on implementing teaching strategies to develop children's oral language and communication skills, particularly through the teaching of Australian Curriculum English and Science.

Information about this program, including the research foundations, can be viewed on the Department of Education and Training website at <http://deta.qld.gov.au/earlychildhood/about/successful-transitions/age-appropriate-pedagogies.html>. If you have any questions about this program, what it means for your child, or the daily program in your child's Prep classroom, please contact Danette Dare (Deputy Principal) or Vikki Hill (Head of Curriculum) on 07-5514 7333.

Koala Joeys

KOALA JOEYS FAMILY PROGRAM

COMMENCING IN TERM 2 AT Gaven State School.



An interactive, fun and free transition to Prep program for children and their parents/caregivers is happening at our school! The program is running on Wednesday mornings at 9.00am from the 27 April 2016. Each session goes for about 1½ hours. If you have children aged from birth to 5 years, join us in House H1 (the After School Care building). Why not come along to these warm, friendly and fun events? Meet new friends, learn new songs, rhymes and stories to share with your child/children and discover how your little one's

brain works. As an added bonus – the KOALA JOEYS FAMILY PROGRAM events are FREE!

If you are interested in attending the program, please email Allison Edrich, a Gaven State School KOALA JOEYS FAMILY PROGRAM facilitator, at amcke115@eq.edu.au.

PPP Parenting Program

PPP PARENTING PROGRAM: Will be held on a Thursday morning from 9am- 10.30am with light morning tea. The program has been sponsored by the State Government AND SO WE CAN PROVIDE THIS PROGRAM FREE OF CHARGE!

What is Triple P/ Positive Parenting Program?

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Louise, mum of two.

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The Triple P positive parenting program is for parents with children aged 3–8 years. The program gives you the tools to:

- encourage behaviour you like from your child
- deal positively and consistently with problem behaviour
- take the stress out of parenting.

Triple P can also help to develop family relationships assisting children to reach their full potential.

Developed by the University of Queensland Parent and Family Support Centre, Triple P parent groups have helped families in Australia and throughout the world for more than 30 years.

How does the Triple P program work?

Seminars are the ideal introduction to Triple P. They consist of three 90 minute sessions that will leave you feeling more confident and ready to deal with common childhood behavioural issues. If you think

you may be interested please email me for more information samanthab@chappy.org.au We will be starting in term 2.

P&C News

SAVE THE DATE. ...

Saturday 3rd September 2016

Gaven State School is bringing back the family favourite event of the year, our school fete!



If you are interested in sponsorship opportunities please send all enquiries to gavenfete@outlook.com

Book Collection for Gaven State School Fete

We are taking collection of any unwanted books for our Gaven State School Fete. If you have any books that you no longer need please consider donating them to our Book Stall. Please take all donations to HOUSE 2 (located next to PCYC building). Thank you!

Finance News

Please note that the money window is only open at the following times: Wednesday mornings 8:15am-10:00am Friday mornings 8:15am-10:00am

BPoint

We would like to draw your attention to BPoint, our preferred method of payment. Once you have received an invoice from the school via email you will notice down the bottom the reference to BPoint. BPoint payments are allocated directly to the student and the payment will go towards that specific activity.

Please see the link below for detailed step by step instructions.

ALL 4 fields MUST be filled in!

Student Banking

Students can bring in their banking books on Tuesday mornings and place them in the banking window. If you would like to open a Commonwealth Bank Student Banking account please visit your nearest Commonwealth Bank.

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Chappy's Space

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The Power of Positive Parenting- Thursday 5th May 9am -10:30

Raising Confident, Competent Children- Thursday 19th May 9am-10:30

Raising Resilient Children- Thursday 26th May 9am-10:30

To register you must go to the Triple P website... <http://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/qld-uken/home/>

STEPS TO REGISTER:

- 1-Down the right side click on seminar/group registration
- 2-Click on Level 2 seminar Triple P
- 3- In the box titled "Type a session type" put in Gold Coast
- 4- Register your details

Chappy's Space

Thankyou to Eternity Presbyterian Church for their very kind and generous donation to chaplaincy

programs of \$500. It is very much appreciated! Thankyou also for Eternity Church's generous donation of a games box with lots of goodies inside for lots of fun!

BREAKFAST CLUB: TUESDAYS 8:15-8:40am ALL WELCOME. A big thankyou to Renee from Ozharvest who supplies us with bread, fruit and sometimes other goodies. Because of this the kids enjoyed banana smoothies this morning. Another huge thankyou to our new family Rob and SuziDavey (New Pastor of Eternity church Helensvale) and Shirley from Eternity Church (and is also one of our R.I teachers) for their constant support both in physically helping out but also in making breaky extra special from time to time with special treats such as pancakes and muffins. Alishah and Bryony are also valued part timers who help when they can. It's great to have extra helpers this year as it's then that we can do extra fun stuff at breaky club. Thankyou also to all the eager volunteers from our students. If you work for a business who could donate supplies to our breakfast club or perhaps you would like to donate something yourself like honey in squeeze bottles, vegemite, jam, artificial colour and flavour free cordial, plastic food handling gloves or plastic cups please contact me or just leave them at the office. We always need more volunteers so if you can spare 45 min on a Tuesday morning please join us.

CHAPPY PROGRAMS TERM 2:

Triple P Positive Parenting Program- There will be 3 seminars run twice this term. You can come to one or all three. The first three are:

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Raising Confident, Competent Children- Thursday 19th May 9am-10:30

Raising Resilient Children- Thursday 26th May 9am-10:30

There will be a creche or play area available. Tea and coffee provided. To register you must go to the Triple P website...<http://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/qld-uken/home/>

If you require help in registering you can email me on samanthab@chappy.org.au The course you are looking for is Level 2 seminar.

SUPA Club- Year 3-6 lunchtime program with fun, games, and spiritual content (short bible story and discussion). Tuesdays first break (permission slip required) Held in the hall area.

Junior Old Skool Games- Year 1 and 2 held in year 2 area. No permission slip required.

2nd Fijian school needs collection- In conjunction with our Student Council. Since the area we sent to last time and it's surrounding areas have been affected by the cyclone we are taking another collection. We are collecting exercise books and any school needs you may have and don't need new or used until end of term. There is a box in the administration block. Thanks for your support!

SHEDMEN Year 6 boys Program- Begins week 5

PRAYER FOR OUR FAMILIES :If there are any families in our community who wish to send prayer requests to our School Chaplain, no need to go into detail, you can access this community service via chappy's email samanthab@chappy.org.au. This service is for everyone of any faith/ no faith.

FOOD PARCELS FOR EMERGENCY FOOD RELIEF

The CrossLife - Helensvale Baptist Church 23 Discovery Drive, Helensvale, QLD

0755733644 info@hbchurch.org.au Call into the church... if we can help by way of a food parcel, we will...

Mal Burke Car Park, corner of Hicks and Davenport Street, Southport. Food Aid has been operating for over 21 years on the Gold Coast providing families and individuals in need with basic food items.

LOCAL SUNDAY SERVICES FOR A FRESH START IN YOUR LIFE, a curious mind OR A SPIRITUAL BOOST....

Eternity Presbyterian Church | Helensvale 1 Shepparton Road, Helensvaleph 07 5519 6600 9.30am Sunday mornings. Kids club available.

New Life Pacific Pines Uniting Church @ 9.00am in the Jubilee Schoolhall. All Families welcome.

Kidzlife club available for primary aged kids.Crech too. .Phone: 07 5553 9918 Website: newlifeuniting.com/contact/pacific-pines

The CrossLife - Helensvale Baptist Church 23 Discovery Drive, Helensvale, QLD @ 9.30 AM Families very welcome. Vibrant Children's program available.

FOOD HAMPERS FOR ANYONE -cost \$15 WITH \$50 or more value. Pick up is at New Street Nerang. For further information call Nathan 0402227575

CYC HOLIDAY CAMPS AT BURLEIGH

For information on up coming school holiday camps visit <http://www.cycburleigh.com.au/> or <http://www.suqld.org.au/camps>

You can access the Chaplaincy service at Gaven State School, your class teacher or by contacting Chappy Sam at samanthab@chappy.org.au

Samantha Bond | Chaplain

Mobile Dental Van

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Gold Coast Health Oral Health (Dental) Services

Gold Coast Oral Health Services are offering free dental check-ups to children in Prep – Year 6.

This service will be provided at Gaven State School by the Mobile Dental Clinic. Hours of operation for this clinic are Monday – Friday 8am – 4pm.

To arrange an appointment for your child please telephone:

The Oral Health Client Service Centre

1300 300 850

Monday – Friday 8.00 am – 4.30 pm

Excluding Public Holidays

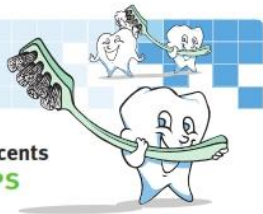
Child Dental Benefit Schedule Vouchers are accepted. When your child's \$1000 cap is reached, there will be no out-of-pocket expenses provided your child meets *eligibility criteria.

* Eligibility – All Queensland resident children aged four years or older who have not completed year 10 of secondary school.

Further information on public funded oral health services can be accessed via URL:

<http://www.health.qld.gov.au/goldcoasthealth/html/services/oralhealth.asp>

Gold Coast Health Oral Health (Dental) Services



Oral Health Services for **Children and Adolescents**

FREE DENTAL CARE ALL AGE GROUPS

Is your child eligible?

School Dental Clinics and Mobile Dental Clinics

All students in Prep through to Year 10

If your child is not eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule, they still receive dental care at no charge until they complete Year 10 at school.

Aged 2 - 17 years:

Bulk-billed to Medicare if eligible for Child Dental Benefits Schedule.

Aged 0-3 years:

Dependants of adults who hold a current concession card, Health Care Card or Pension Card issued by Centrelink or the Department of Veteran Affairs.

For appointments phone:

1300 300 850

Community Dental Clinics

Students who have completed Year 10 at school:

Dependants of adults who hold a current concession card, Health Care Card or Pension Card issued by Centrelink or the Department of Veteran Affairs OR who have their own concession card.

For enquiries in your area phone:

1300 300 850



How do I know if my child is eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule?

Contact Medicare on 132 010 or look online at myGov

If you think your child might be eligible for CDBS and have not been notified by Medicare: contact Centrelink or Medicare to check accuracy of your information.



Student Arrival Times and Attendance

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We have been tracking the attendance rate of students and the large volume of students that have been arriving late. Under the Education Act, a child (by law) must attend school each day from start to finish. Exclusion from school during the six hours of learning time, should only be for extenuating circumstances like illness. Having the day off for their birthday or going on a family holiday during the school term is not considered an acceptable reason. When these children return from holiday they can experience feelings of anxiety and stress about being 'behind' the other students. We acknowledge that sometimes a 'one-off' holiday is unavoidable (for many reasons) however, for those families that are doing this on a regular basis, this is impacting upon your child's learning in more ways than one, as we know every day counts!

What can Parents do to help their children?

Children must attend school every day, and they must attend from the moment the first bell rings until the final bell is rung to dismiss them. Below is a table which outlines just how much schooling a child misses when they arrive late to school. It is quite alarming to see how much just 10 minutes a day can build up.

| He/ She is only missing just.... | That equals.... | Which is..... | & over 13 yrs of schooling that's... |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 10 mins per day | 50 mins per week | Nearly 1.5 weeks per year | Nearly <u>½ YEAR</u> |
| 20 mins per day | 1hr 40 mins per week | Over 2.5 weeks per year | Nearly <u>1 YEAR</u> |
| Half hour per day | Half a day per week | 4 weeks per year | Nearly <u>1½ YEARS</u> |
| 1hr per day | 1 day per wk | 8 weeks per year | Over <u>2½ YEARS</u> |

