



## St Adrian's Catholic Primary School



**'To learn, to love, to live as a community of God with Christ as our teacher'**

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Dear Parent and Carers,

### **Benefits of regular attendance**

Managing school attendance over the past 22 months has been challenging. Changes in guidance both nationally and locally has meant that previous thresholds to identify support have not been as relevant or useful.

However, what has remained the same is the benefits that regular attendance provides even within the current climate. With this in mind, I wanted to take the opportunity to highlight these benefits.

- Every day your child is at school, they are learning new skills; whether it's academic, emotional and social, or extra-curricular in nature.
- Our curriculum is designed to build incrementally on previous learning. This is true across phases, years, topics, weeks and even individual lessons. Missing lessons results in missed learning and can lead to gaps that are difficult to fill.
- End of Key Stage assessments reflect cumulative learning throughout each phase. National, local and school data is very clear that the more children are in school, the better they achieve in these assessments and the better prepared they are for the next phase of their learning.
- In addition to better educational outcomes, we also observe that regular attendance often results in more confident, happier pupils.

At St Adrian's, we have high levels of regular attendance. However, at different times, you or your child may find that there are barriers in getting to school. If this happens, we can help. In the first instance, email the school office at '[admin@stadrians.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stadrians.herts.sch.uk)' and arrange to speak with your child's teacher in order to explore ways to reduce these barriers so that your child can experience all the benefits that regular attendance provides.

Best wishes,

Mr Sallis