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Dear Parents / Carers,

Re: Punctuality

Since the start of the school year, there have been numerous occurrences of some families arriving to school late on a regular basis.

This week alone, 32 children have been late, some on more than one occasion.

We are writing to all families to emphasise the importance of being in school on time.

School starts at 8.55am every day. Children need to be in their class at 8.55am so that the register can be taken and lessons can begin promptly. Children who arrive late are greatly disadvantaged because they miss teacher's instructions for the day and the beginning of lessons. This means that they are often unsettled and your child may also feel embarrassed at having to enter the classroom late. Their teacher will not always be able to re-explain work.

It is essential that you ensure that your child arrives at school on time to prevent disruption to your child's own learning and that of others.

It is also very important that children establish good habits in preparation for senior school and their future working life. Punctuality is a life skill that they need to develop whilst they are young.

We understand that there may be times when you are late due to unforeseen circumstances. Please make sure that you contact the school office to inform us when you will arrive.

We are required to monitor children's punctuality and attendance. Ongoing lateness (after the class register has closed) is classified as an unauthorised absence and high levels of unauthorised absences or poor punctuality can result in a referral to the Warwickshire Attendance Service which have a duty to investigate further and could result in legal action being taken against you.



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If you are experiencing difficulties with punctuality and would like to talk to us about it, please contact the school office to make an appointment.

Don't forget we have a Breakfast Club, available to children from 7:30am each morning.

Yours sincerely,

Lisa Harrison Headteacher