

School Attendance

- creating a caring and nurturing environment whereby ensuring pupils feel safe and appreciated.
- ensuring that attendance and punctuality are recognised and rewarded.

(School A, 2018)

What messages are being given to children and their families?

School Attendance Policy and Procedures	Practice
Awesome Assembly — weekly	Additional pressure, guilt, worry, embarrassment
Individual colour-coded attendance letters — termly	Primary school children are not usually in charge of whether they come to school
100% Attendance Certificate – termly	Same children consistently praised and rewarded
Class excursion for highest annual attendance	If you are not in school you are letting your classmates down, possibly ostracised by classmates, promotes peer pressure (School A, 2018)

The Way Forward? ➡



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