RP/JM/da/Attendance letter

9th September 2024

Dear Parent/Carer



As we begin the new academic year, I would like to extend a warm welcome back to both our pupils and parents. We are excited to see our pupils return, ready to embrace new opportunities for learning and growth.

At Bloxwich Academy, we are committed to providing every pupil with the best possible education, and as we start this term, we want to highlight the crucial role that attendance plays in your child's academic success. Research shows that regular school attendance is closely linked to high academic achievement. Missing even a few days can disrupt learning, making it harder for pupils to stay on track and keep up with their peers. Each day in school is an opportunity for pupils to engage with new material, ask questions, and build upon previous knowledge.

Our latest Year 11 cohort results showed 74% of pupils achieving 5 GCSEs had an attendance of 90+%.

However, 65% of pupils that did not achieve 5 GCSESs had attendance of less than 90% and were classed as persistently absent.

This year, we are placing a strong emphasis on ensuring that pupils attend school consistently. By fostering good attendance habits, we help pupils develop a sense of responsibility and commitment that will benefit them throughout their lives. We kindly ask for your support in ensuring that your child attends school regularly and on time, as your involvement is key to their success.

Attendance Reminders

- Pupils need to be onsite for 8:30am, ready for 8:35am line up.
- If your child is going to be absent, please call the school before 8:30am with a reason for absence.
- Pupils late for 8:35am line up will be recorded as late and will receive a 20minute detention on the same day after school.
- Leave of absence during term time will not be authorised. Holidays taken during term time will impact on your child's attendance and progress and you may receive a fixed penalty notice.
- Please make every effort to book any appointments out of school hours.
- Please refer to the NHS guidance on illness in school. https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/



Bloxwich Academy Secondary

Leamore Lane

If there are any barriers or challenges affecting your child's ability to attend school, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of House. We are here to help and work together with you to provide the necessary support and resources to ensure your child can attend school regularly and thrive.

We are looking forward to a productive and successful year, filled with many achievements and positive experiences for all our pupils. Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to working with you to make this year one of great progress and success.

Yours sincerely

Mr R Prime Headteacher



