



Roskear Primary, Nursery School & Crofty Minors Pre-School

Learning together for a better future

11th September 2026

Dear Parent and Carer,

As we begin a new school year, I would like to thank you in advance for your continued support in ensuring that every child attend school regularly and arrives on time, ready to learn. Attendance is one of the most important factors in helping children achieve their full potential, both academically and socially.

Every day in school matters. Children who attend regularly make stronger progress, build positive relationships, develop confidence, and benefit fully from the opportunities available to them. The Department for Education continues to make attendance a national priority and has recently introduced attendance improvement targets for schools across England, recognising the important role that good attendance plays in children's achievement and wellbeing. Schools are expected to work closely with families to secure high levels of attendance and reduce persistent absence.

At Roskear, we will be introducing a new **"Every Day Counts – attendance matters"** initiative. This initiative will focus on:

- Celebrating excellent attendance and improved attendance –

Every week, if your child achieves at least 96% attendance for that week, they will be celebrated and rewarded with an attendance sticker on Monday the following week in class assembly.

Once a week, the class with the best attendance will get a little treat.

Once a half term, any child, with at least 96% for that half term, will be placed in our attendance raffle. If selected, they, and a friend of their choice, will go on an educational visit with other winners across Year 1-6.

- Sharing attendance information regularly with families

Letters will be sent home each half term to parents/carers where there are concerns around attendance.

Parents/carers may be invited to meet with a member of the senior leadership team to discuss how we can work together to improve the attendance.

Visits will be undertaken by the attendance team in the morning to homes where absence is unexplained by 9.00am on the day of absence. Please leave a message regarding absence **ONLY** on the absence line, not Arbor or with a member of staff.

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- Providing early support when attendance begins to decline

Support through other external agencies will be offered, such as Early Support

- Working collaboratively with parents and carers to overcome barriers to attendance

Support plans with an agreed target will be put into place.

- Promoting the importance of punctuality and attending school every day possible

Late Gate meetings will be held by the attendance team with parents/carers persistently bringing their children in late to ascertain the reason for continuous lateness.

Our aim is for every child to achieve **at least 96% attendance** across the academic year. Children whose attendance falls below 90% are classed as persistently absent, meaning they miss a significant amount of their education. Even a small number of days missed can have a considerable impact on learning over time.

This commitment to attendance is closely linked to our Roskear values:

Golden

We strive for excellence in all that we do. Attending school regularly gives children the best opportunity to shine and achieve their very best.

Responsible

Being in school every day demonstrates responsibility and helps children develop positive habits that will support them throughout life.

Empathetic

We understand that challenges can sometimes affect attendance. We are committed to working with families compassionately and supportively to find solutions together.

Aspirational

Regular attendance enables children to access every learning opportunity, helping them reach their ambitions and fulfil their potential.

Tenacious

Resilience and perseverance are developed through consistent attendance. When children attend regularly, they learn to overcome challenges and keep moving forward.

We recognise that there may be occasions when your child is genuinely unwell and unable to attend school. However, wherever possible, we ask families to prioritise attendance, avoid taking holidays during term time, and communicate with us promptly if any concerns arise.

We ask that if your child is unwell and unable to attend, you contact the school office and leave a message, by 9.00am, on the attendance line. Any absences, not reported will result in a visit to home by our attendance team as part of our duty to safeguard children.

Together, we can ensure that every child benefits from the rich learning experiences, friendships, and opportunities that Roskear offers.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support.

Yours sincerely,

Nic Furnish
Headteacher