



# CHATHAM & CLARENDON GRAMMAR SCHOOL

## Attendance at CCGS

At CCGS, we want the amount of missed education to be reduced as much as possible. We believe that our community is stronger together, with all our students in school, on time, every day. We hope to foster in our students' life skills, life-long friendships and prepare them for future success.

We all need to work together to make sure students attend school regularly. Good attendance means being in school at least 95% of the time. Research shows that students who have high school attendance considerably increase their chance of gaining better outcomes. In addition to academic achievement, being in school regularly supports the development of friendships and reduces anxiety around falling behind in class.

You can view our school policy via the Attendance page of our school website (Curriculum-attendance). Our Attendance page also includes useful information about the positive impact attendance has on student wellbeing and attainment.

Some students will face greater barriers to attendance than their peers. These can include students with a SEND need who may become more anxious about attending school. Feeling anxious sometimes is something we can all experience, but avoiding school is unlikely to help. We understand this and would encourage families to work with us to help provide reassurance and support to ensure regular attendance.

Ways in which you can support your child's attendance includes:

- Being positive and enthusiastic about school yourself
- Help your child get into a good term-time routine
- Support your child by attending school events
- Try not to let your child be late for school

