

Little Hill Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer

Punctuality Reminder

Please could I remind all parents of the importance of ensuring that your child arrives to school on time. It is important for a child's academic and social wellbeing to be in school on time each day, properly equipped and ready to learn. We would ask you to consider the impact arriving late to school can have on your child:

- It can be distressing going into a class when everyone else is settled and ready to learn. This could cause your child to become anxious about school.
- They miss out on social interaction with their friends at the start of the school day.
- They miss out on the initial instructions and information that helps them to understand and complete tasks which can put them at a significant disadvantage;
- It is disruptive to their learning and also disrupts the learning of others;
- If it happens regularly it encourages bad habits which could stay with them throughout their school life and beyond.

The school gate opens at 8.40 a.m. and children should be in class ready for the register to be taken at 8.50 a.m. Children arriving after the gate is closed at 8.55 a.m. will receive a late mark.

As a parent you will want the best for your child, please support the school in its aim to ensure that all pupils achieve success and reach their full potential.

I will be monitoring punctuality and parents of children who frequently arrive late will be invited to come into school to discuss how the matter can be resolved. If you have difficulties that cause you to be late bringing your child to school please contact school without delay.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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