



# THE BUCKINGHAM SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

### School Attendance Parent Questionnaire

As you may be aware, The Department for Education has recently carried out a consultation on the measures needed to improve the consistency of school attendance, support and management. More details regarding this consultation can be found [here](#)

We understand the impact that the pandemic had on attendance, but getting children back into school is our main priority to ensure they can re-establish key social skills and fill any gaps that there may be in their subject knowledge.

In line with this, we are currently reviewing the way we manage attendance and also how we celebrate good and improved attendance. As part of this review, we would like to hear from you and understand how you feel we can help your child to attend school regularly. I would be most grateful if you could fill in a short questionnaire around attendance, by using the link below:

[The Buckingham School Attendance Questionnaire](#)

We will also be holding focus groups with selected students and staff to ensure that we are taking all views and opinions into account; This will ensure the new strategy is implemented with a whole school approach.

We will be communicating to parents at the beginning of the next academic year, once we have collated responses, to outline our revised Attendance Policy and what this means for you and your child.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your support. If you have any further queries regarding this questionnaire, or our attendance review, please do not hesitate to contact me at [esmith@buckinghamsschool.org](mailto:esmith@buckinghamsschool.org).

Yours faithfully,

**Emma Smith**  
Director of Attendance

*The Buckingham School is concerned that every student should have the opportunity to attend school activities/obtain equipment, regardless of their financial circumstances. As such, it may be possible to subsidise those students who would otherwise be unable to attend trips/purchase items. Please feel free to write in confidence to [finance@buckinghamsschool.org](mailto:finance@buckinghamsschool.org), if you wish to seek assistance, or obtain more information about Pupil Premium funding.*

