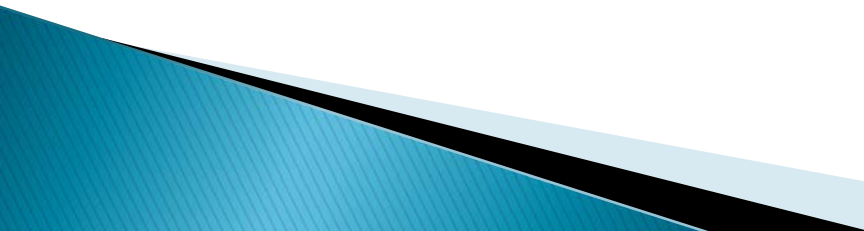


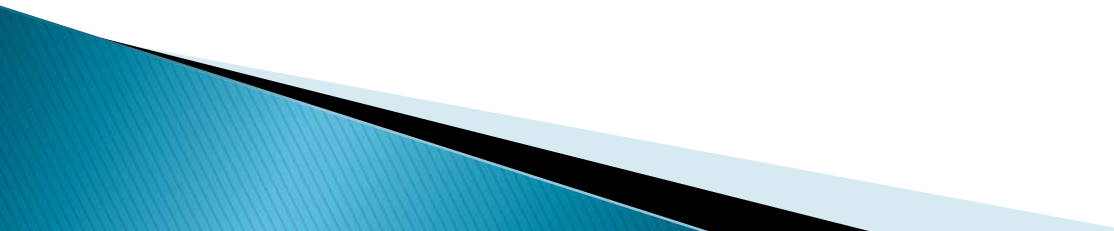
Attendance Information for Parents...

Key areas to look at:
Expected
Persistent Absenteeism
Holidays

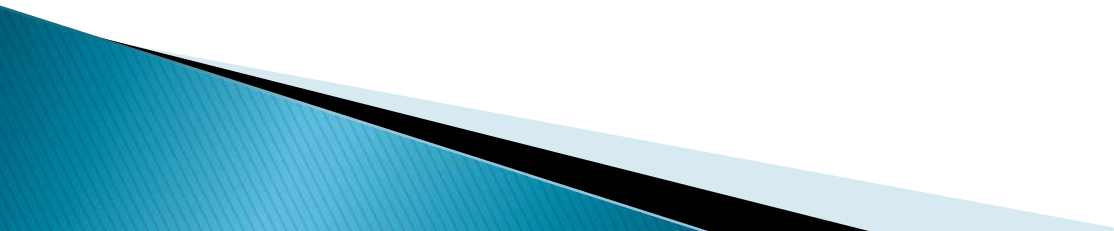
Expected level of attendance

- ▶ 95% is the expected level– takes into account normal colds, coughs, chicken pox etc...
 - ▶ WHY 95%?
 - ▶ Below 95% academic achievement begins to dip– beyond 90% chances of achieving expected levels at primary school and 5 good GCSES are significantly reduced
 - ▶ Gaps in knowledge hamper so many bright children
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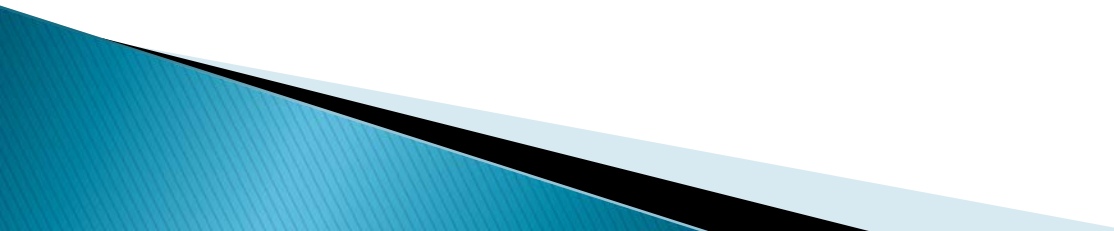
Persistent Absenteeism

- ▶ Less than 90% attendance–new level from Sept 2015
 - ▶ EWO involvement– Ruby McCarron
 - ▶ May require medical certs/appoint letters
 - ▶ Planning meetings–
 - ▶ Ultimately fines!!
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Leave of Absence–holidays

- ▶ Holiday request– exceptional circumstances
 - ▶ Each case is different
 - ▶ Previous good attendance is not a guarantee
 - ▶ Family events– weddings, funerals, religious events, graduations.....are taken into consideration!
 - ▶ Family holiday unlikely to be approved unless strong supporting evidence given!
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Late marks.....

- ▶ Late before register closed– mark given
 - ▶ Late after register– unauthorised absence
 - ▶ Life skills /punctuality
 - ▶ Authorised /unauthorised....
 - ▶ Differences discussed
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Impact on school....

- ▶ We don't make the rules—but we must enforce them;
 - ▶ Mrs Deacon/Mr Trueman – key role look at registers at least monthly—for some children weekly. We share our findings with EWO.
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