Attendance Matters

Every school day counts.

Wakey wakey, rise and shine.

School starts at five to nine!

`08.55`

THE START OF THE SCHOOL DAY

At Ysgol Caer Drewyn our day starts when the bell rings at 8:55am. Pupils are expected to be **in class by 8:55am** when the register will be taken for attendance and for dinner numbers. A member of staff is on the gate from 8:50am. Late arrivals are noted on the 'Absence Monitoring' form and submitted into the system for Denbighshire County Council. Late arrivals will be marked in the register as an 'L' for late with the amount of time they are late and an 'U' for unauthorised if they are later than 9.25am when the register has closed.

Lateness

When pupils arrive late, they miss out on essential instructions given at the beginning of lessons or planned interventions to support them in their learning. They can feel awkward arriving in class when everyone else in class is settled and working. Furthermore, when one pupil arrives late, it disrupts the entire class and the teacher, compromising everyone's education. Whilst we appreciate that life sometimes gets in the way and unforeseen circumstances can crop up, we ask that you **make EVERY effort to be on time**.

THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY

The school day finishes at 3.10pm. Please ensure that you are able to pick up your child on time. We are aware that unforeseen circumstances may mean that you are late on rare occasions. Children can become very upset if there is no one to greet them at the end of the school day, especially if they haven't been prewarned. If you think you may be late picking up your child, please let the school know as soon as possible. Or if someone else is collecting your child/ren please ring the school office and speak to a member of school staff **OR** leave a message on the answering machine (which is monitored regularly).

Please remember: 95%+ Congratulations your child has good attendance and is doing well. Keep it up!

90-95%- Remember every day counts.
Below 90%- How can we help you improve your child's attendance?