



# Parent 20 Clicks

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Dear parents / carers



Welcome to the Summer term.

It's been great to see a full and proper start to a term. And more importantly see all your children back.

At the end of last term we were delighted to see such positive Attitude to Learning Progress Checks - I congratulate your children and thank YOU for your continued support.

As always - we are only ever an email away. With best wishes,

Mrs Leigh-Bennett and Kingsdown team.

# Safeguarding

Keeping your child safe- Knowing the signs



## Young people with harmful sexual behaviour

The Everyone's Invited website has really highlighted to all that there is an increase in peer on peer abuse between young people. As a parent it can be really challenging to know how to keep your child safe and how to recognise harmful behaviours.

Over the next term, we will be sharing important information which will help you understand what harmful sexual behaviours are and what to do if you are worried about your child.

We will also give some guidance on how to have sensitive conversations about sexual development.

Here is the first installment:

[Recognising harmful sexual behaviours](#)

# Easing of Lockdown - Road Safety



Dear parents/carers

During lockdown, the roads have been a lot quieter than usual and many people have not driven far, if at all. As restrictions ease, more people will be returning to the roads or travelling further afield. This can be a daunting time for any motorist, but especially older drivers (who may have been shielding for a long time) or new drivers (who may not have had much experience in the past few months).

Last year, we saw an increase in collisions following the easing of lockdown restrictions. In our shared effort to keep everyone safe on the roads, we have produced 'Back on the Road' leaflets with useful information for all drivers, new drivers and older drivers.

They can be found on our website here: [Back on the Road leaflets](#)

Please have a look and share these with family and friends who may benefit from them.

Thank you

**Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service**

# Chromebooks – Day Loans



- A reminder to all parents whose children are on the day loan system that these devices need collecting and returning each day.
- If you wish to explore other options, i.e. a long term loan or purchase options then please do get in touch with us [here](#).
- A reminder of the options available can be found [here](#).
- Please note, personal accounts can only be used on the purchased Chromebooks.
- Whilst purchased devices can only be used using school accounts whilst in school and during school hours, outside of school hours personal accounts can be used on the device.
- This means that students as well as anyone else can use the device as well as allows the user to send and receive emails to external email accounts.

# Twilight on 28<sup>th</sup> April



On **Wednesday 28th April**, the school will close early to allow staff to begin compiling grades for year 11 students.

Exit times are as follows:

Year 7 - 12:55pm

Years 8 & 9 - 1pm

Years 10 & 11 - 1:10pm

Students will be set work for their p5 lesson on google classroom. This lesson will begin at 1:45pm.

# ATLs and how brilliant our students have been



- At the end of last term, parents of students in years 7 – 10 received a progress report showing their attitude to learning in their subjects.
- We are really proud of our students, and how they have come back to school following the national lockdown at the start of the year.
- The averages for each year group show that as a school our students have attitudes to learning that are above 'good'
- Please continue to discuss your child's progress report with them, and explore ways in which they can improve before the next report at the end of this term.

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
Behaviour for Learning	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.7
Preparation for Lessons	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.7

# PD & Assembly themes throughout term 5



	Assembly	Personal Development
Week 1	Pride: Swindon, Our Great Town (ELB)	Tolerance & Diversity
Week 2	Online Safety & Acceptable Behaviour (SMY & MED)	
Week 3	Student Leadership & Enrichment (RLE)	
Week 4	Attendance (LCR/SMY)	
Week 5	Opportunity (JLI)	
Week 6	Beats Presentation Assembly (LCR & RLE)	



# Home Learning



**Home Learning** is now set through **Google Classroom**. Having everything in one place will lead to greater home learning success.

Here is a video that will be shared with students next week to support in the **organisation** and **completion** of home learning.



In the **next** parent 20 clicks we will share **strategies** to support the **completion** of home learning through Google Classroom and how you, as parents, can receive **weekly updates** on the completion of your child's home learning.

# The BIG ASK



Hi, my name is Rachel de Souza and I'm the Children's Commissioner for England. My job is to speak up for children in England, stand up for their rights, and make sure that the people in power listen to what children need and want.

It's time to give something big back to young people like you after COVID — and **we need your help** to do it.

This is the largest ever survey of children and young people in England. We'll use what you tell us to show the government what you think, and what children need to live happier lives.

This survey will only take you **5-10 minutes**.



Dame Rachel de Souza

Please take 5 minutes to complete the parent survey

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/adults/>

# Year 11 Prom



The Year 11 prom is being held at the De Vere Cotswold Water Park Hotel on 9th July (COVID restrictions permitting).

A reminder to year 11 parents that the payment deadline is Monday 26th April. We will accept payment in cash or through Parent Pay.

With thanks

# Plans for Parents' Evenings



We appreciate that during COVID we have been unable to run a face to face parents evening but we are preparing for some virtual events before the end of the year.

More details of these will be shared shortly.

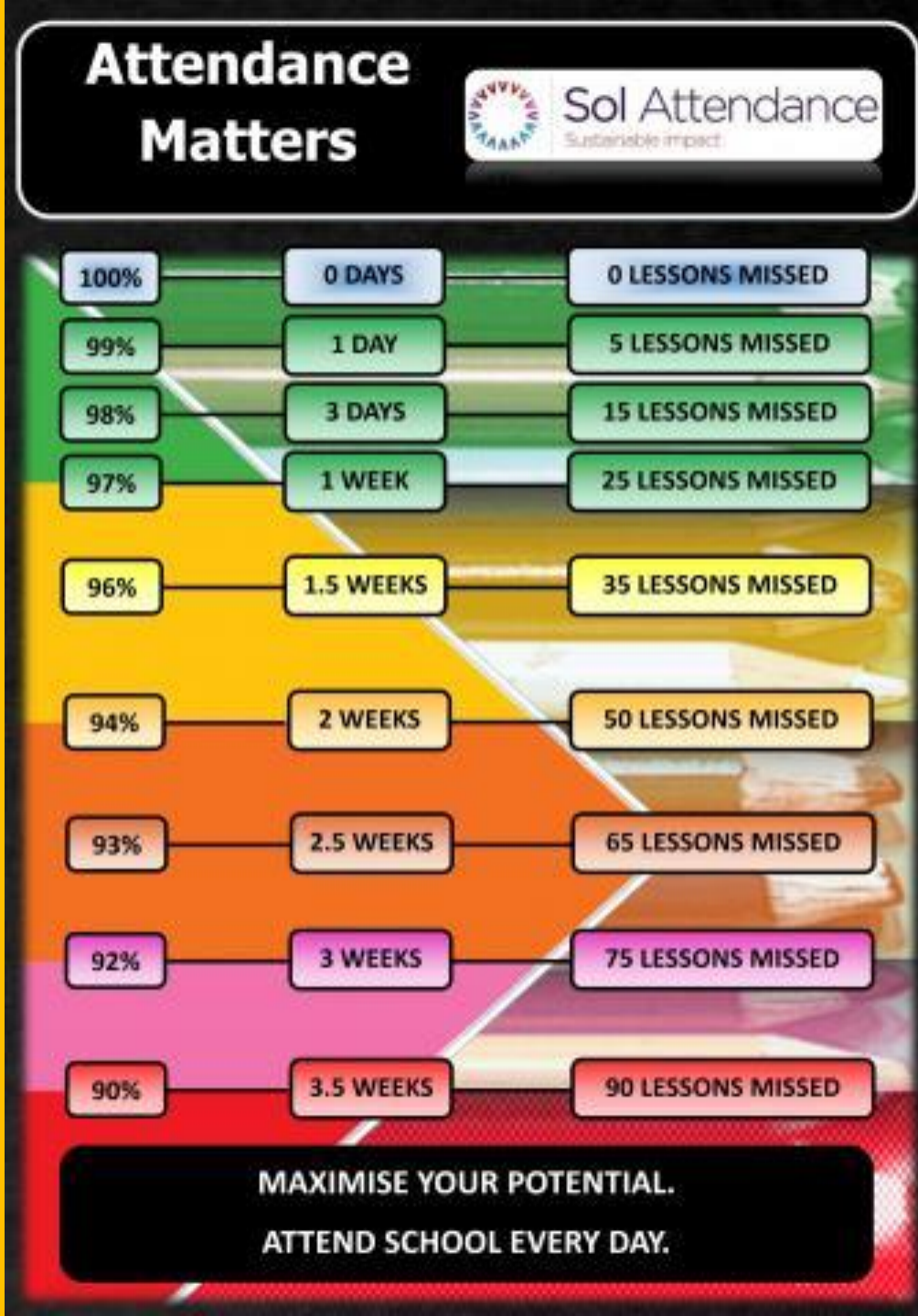
Many thanks for your patience. Should you need to contact us regarding your child's progress, staff details can be found [here](#).

# Attendance

We are delighted to see our students back at school this week. After missing so much time in school over the last 12 months, every day is so important.

Students are considered to be persistently absent if their attendance is below 90%. This term, we will be focussing on improving the attendance of students who are 85-90%.

Research shows that per 5% absence below 95%, a student will lose a full grade per subject on average.



# Home Testing



Students are asked to continue to complete the home testing, please find below the link to a step by step video for home testing [here](#)

Please ensure you register your result with the NHS website as directed in the instructions, it is also important to report your result to the school using this link: [Report result](#)

If your result is positive you must organise a follow up PCR Test