

Raise Your Chances! Get your attendance right!

What does "***Good attendance***"
mean?



- Do you know what your % attendance is?
- Do you know exactly what that figure means?

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- 95+% Green
- 95% Amber
- Below 95% Red



Dixie thinks this is pretty good, so do her parents. Are they right?

90% attendance = **1/2 day missed** every week!!

(When you start work would your boss like you to be off this much? That's practically part time!)



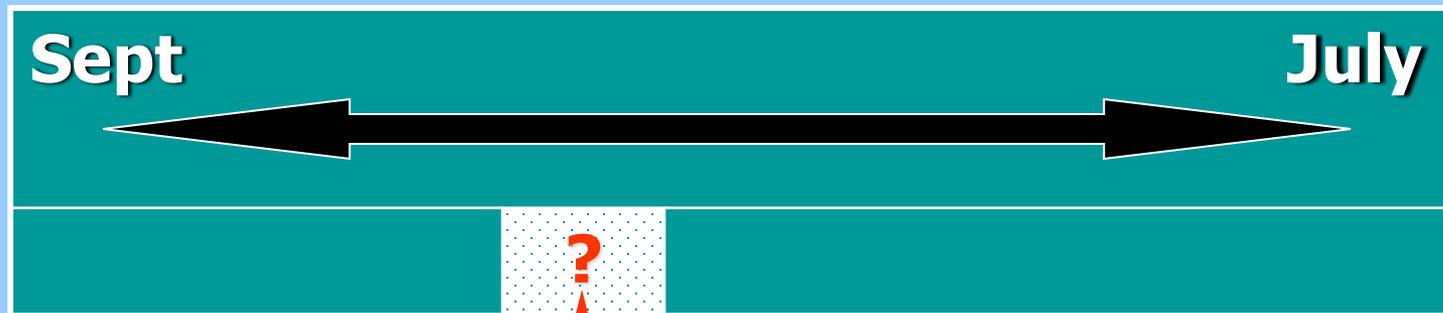
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
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Absent half a day every week				



Lets look a little closer.....

1 school year at **90%** attendance = **4** whole weeks of lessons **MISSED!!!**

38 school weeks



Absent for 4 weeks



90% attendance over **5** years of secondary school....

= **1/2** a school **year missed!**



What impact might this have on
Dixie's life.....?

Research suggests that **17 missed
school days** a year = a GCSE grade
DROP in achievement. (DfES)

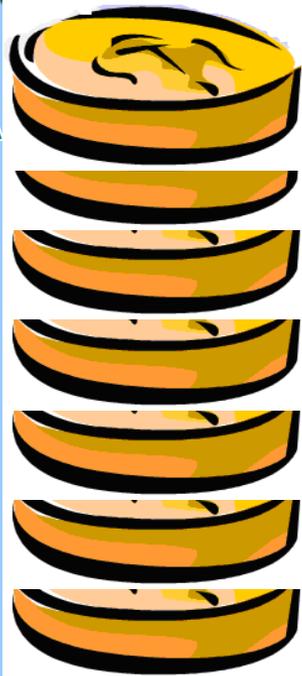
The greater the attendance the greater the
attainment.

What could your potential average earnings look like?

Potential Earnings average per hour

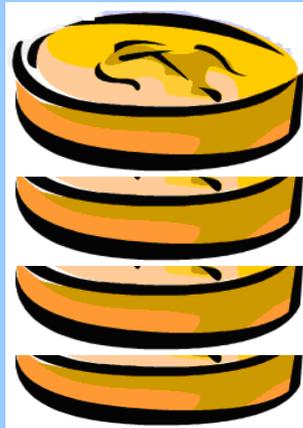
Graduate degree

**£15.01
per hour**



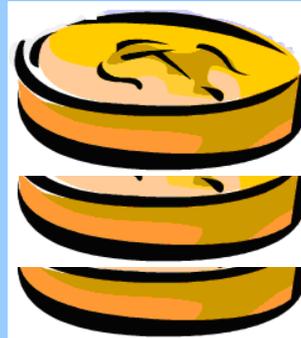
Post-16
qualification

**£10.25
per hour**



5GCSE's

**£9.02
per hour.**



no qualifications

**£7.44 per
hour.**



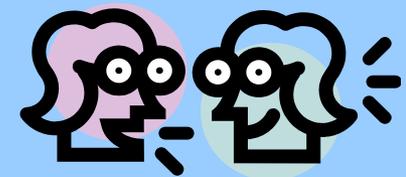
What do you want for yourself?

Qualifications



Pretty obvious really!

1. **What are the patterns?** Do you always feel ill on days when you have a certain subject ..PE for instance?
2. **Does something worry you about school?** Find someone to talk to about it.



Ways for you to improve attendance (and attainment):



- 3. If you really are ill get someone at home to phone school on the first day of absence.** Stay in touch with school and get back to it as soon as you are able to be here.
- 4. Only take days off for genuine illness. (you will know!!)**
- 5. Avoid** taking holidays in school time.





Take pride in your achievements :

6. If your attendance level is 97% or above you are doing really well.
7. **You deserve praise and rewards for good attendance!**



What else could help?



1. Sometimes you may feel that you need to talk to someone about reasons for your absence. There are plenty of good listeners at Ash Hill Academy.

- **School Nurse Team**
- **Bridge**
- **Form Tutors**





Be aware that ...



3. Lots of students feel inclined to take time off in the run up to **tests** and coursework **deadlines**.

Don't! The problem just grows.

3. Being well organised can help relieve stress. Keep an intelligent planner and always look ahead.
4. **Catching up** with missed work is important. A missed day shouldn't mean missed work.

So remember...

Good attendance =

- Great qualifications
- Lots of opportunities
- Something positive to write in your references
- Better social skills

It's not too late to make a difference!

