

Ribbon Rainbow Boxes

From Year 4, children have access to a box containing personal hygiene products. These boxes are located in the toilets leading off their classrooms and contain: wet wipes, sanitary towels, deodorant, new underwear for girls and boys and plastic bags.

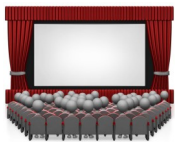
Children can access these boxes without having to alert an adult.

Rewards and Incentives



At Ribbon we don't just reward perfect attendance!

Each week in our celebration assembly, a trophy is awarded to the team with the best or most improved attendance that week and "On Time Ted" is given to the team with the most punctual pupils. These team get to enjoy popcorn on the Friday afternoon.



Every half term, a child who has worked hard to improve attendance will receive Ribbons 'Most Improved Attendance Award' and get a special treat.

At the end of the academic year, children who have achieved an Attendance of 97% are awarded with a certificate. Children who achieve 100% attendance will also be awarded with a Ribbon Academy 100% Attendance Badge.

Inclusion Team

Mrs Deanne Richardson

Assistant Head Teacher with responsibility for Inclusion and SEND
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Kathryn Maddison

Family Support Advisor
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Karen Roe

Place2Be
Project Manager



Place2Be provides child counselling and mental health support in schools across the UK.

Our dedicated Place2Be mental health professional is Sue Hardy; who is integral to the schools Inclusion Team

Sue works closely with pupils, families and staff to improve emotional wellbeing and provide mental health support for the whole school.

To discuss a referral please contact any member of the Inclusion Team at 0191 5175900.

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Attendance Matters!

We are here to support our families



Every School Day Counts! Did you know.....

If in a school year, your child has

95% Attendance
90% Attendance
85% Attendance
80% Attendance
75% Attendance

Your child will have lost.....

9 Days from school
19 Days from school
29 Days from school
38 Days from school
48 Days from school

or they would have missed approximately.....

50 Lessons
100 Lessons
150 Lessons
200 Lessons
250 Lessons

Absence = Lost Opportunities

Breakfast Clubs

School opens its doors to pupils from 8:00am for **Breakfast Club**, this has a cost of £2 a day and can be booked via Scopay.

At 8:30am children can attend **Greggs Breakfast Club** free of charge.



Practical Financial Support

We work closely with partner agencies and voluntary sector organisations to ensure that families can access the support that they need. Families who are experiencing financial difficulties, can contact Kathryn Maddison (Family Support Advisor) for further information.

Registration

REGISTRATION



All pupils can enter school from 8.45am and must be in class and ready to learn at 9:00am when registers are taken.

School gates are locked at 9:00am, after this time children must enter school through main reception.

From 9:10am Parents/carers must ensure that they sign their child onto school premises using the electronic screen in reception.

Children who arrive after 9.30am will receive the appropriate absence mark.

Leaving School Premise During the School Day

Any pupil who leaves school during the school day must be collected from Main Reception by an appropriate adult.

Parents/carers must ensure that they sign their child out of school premises using the electronic screen in Main Reception.

School Attendance Target is 97%

If your child is unable to attend school through illness, or due to an appointment, please contact school through the following channels (as soon as you know that your child won't be in school):

***Telephone - 0191 5175900 (Option 1)**

or

***Class Dojo - Kathryn Maddison or Nicola Ball ONLY**

*Please **do not** message your child's class teacher via Class Dojo as they may not pick up the message by 9.00am.*

School Uniform

- Grey or black shorts/trousers/skirt/pinafore
- During the summer term green and white gingham dresses can be worn
- White polo shirt
- Red hoodie (Nursery)
- Emerald green sweatshirt (Reception to Year 5)
- Ruby Sweatshirt (Year 6 only)
- Black shoes – no heels and no trainers please!



Uniform orders can be made at sandnworkwear.co.uk via our website www.ribbonacademy.org.uk/school-uniform/

We run a uniform exchange in school and always have a supply of pre-loved uniform that can be accessed by our families.

Should we not have what is needed in stock, we also have a limited amount of funding to allow us to support families with the purchase of uniform.

To access support with uniform please contact:
Kathryn Maddison (Family Support Advisor) at 0191 5175900

Leave of Absence in Term Time

Head teachers are only allowed to authorise LOA in "**Exceptional Circumstances**".

DfE have advised that, generally, a need or desire for a holiday for the purpose of leisure or recreation **would not** constitute an exceptional circumstance.

Parents/carers have a legal duty to ensure their child has regular attendance at school. They **do not** have the right to remove their children from school without permission.

If you would like to request a Leave of Absence during term time, please contact Kathryn Maddison, Family Support Advisor to arrange an appointment to discuss the reason for the absence well in advance.

Term Dates—2025/26

Children return to school on Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Autumn half-term

Break up Friday 24th Oct—Return Monday 3rd Nov

Christmas 2025

Break up Fri 19th December—Return Tues 6th Jan

Spring half-term 2026

Break up Fri 20th February—Return Mon 2nd March

Easter 2026

Break up Thursday 2nd Apr—Return Mon 20th Apr

May Day 2026

Mon 4th May

Summer half-term 2026

Break up Fri 22nd May—Return Mon 1st June

Summer 2026

Break up Fri 17th July