



Lord Grey Academy

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Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians,

The Lord Grey values of determination, ambition, curiosity, civility and integrity underline our philosophy that it is essential for all students to get the most out of their school experience, including attainment, wellbeing and wider life chances. The students with the highest attainment and value points at the end of Year 11 have the highest rates of attendance and as a consequence, the Lord Grey Academy minimum attendance expectation over the course of the academic year is 96%. We believe that this sets students on a clear path of success making the most of every learning opportunity.

An attendance of 90% across an academic year equates to 19 school days missed. Over the course of 10 years of education, this equates to 190 missed days, which is equal to one whole school year.

From September 2022 we will have increased the staffing in Student Services to monitor and support the attendance process. This extra capacity will enable Lord Grey Academy to support students and parents by identifying concerns quickly and working together to address any in-school or out of school barriers to attendance and work through the attendance process to maximise school attendance.

We will be completing some first day absence home visits to work with students to remove barriers from attendance to school. This will include absences that are not explained and recorded as 'N' on the register, and also explained absences where the academy feels that absence could become a concern, or where a pattern of absence has been observed. We have also prepared a leaflet for parents/carers to improve attendance and a graphical representation of attendance as a percentage and the number of days absent that this equates to each year.

The absence process for students remains unchanged. On each and every day of absence, the absence line should be called on 01908 626167 explaining the reason for absence and the name and the form of the student. Ultimately it is the school that authorises the correct attendance code for all episodes of absence.

We are planning on introducing significant rewards for improved attendance and for students who maintain good attendance. Having good attendance and punctuality is a reflection of the Lord Grey Academy values, and an essential expectation for life after Lord Grey

Thank you for your support

Rob Page
Vice Principal - Designated Safeguarding Lead

