



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS AT SKEGBY JUNIOR ACADEMY (UPDATED FOR SEPTEMBER 2016)



## What we expect:

- Good attendance=96% or better which means a child has 9 days absence or less over the year
- Outstanding attendance=100%

## Why?

- Better life chances for your child
- Children take part in exciting learning activities
- Children should reach their potential
- Children make less progress when their attendance is not good.

## Rewards:

- End of the term movie night. All children who have an attendance over 96% can come to our movie night in the hall. They receive free popcorn, drinks and other snacks. Those with 100% get VIP seats! In the summer term this will be an attendance disco.
- Outstanding attendance is recognised and children get a special badge. They also collect their bronze, silver and gold awards. Those with the Gold award get a special treat at the end of the year!
- Classes get an extra break if they repeatedly get over 96% attendance.

## Did you know?

- Children with an attendance of below 90% are classed as persistently absent. These children will receive less Golden time compared to other children.
- These children get a warning. If they then have 5 days (From September 16) or more absences in 6 weeks their details will be passed to the LA for a fixed penalty fine of £120
- A child will receive an unauthorised absence if they are late and miss the register.

## Holidays in term time

- Very few are authorised. Only those that are classed as exceptional circumstances can be authorised
- If families take their children away on a term time holiday and they have 5 days (from September 2016) or more off in a 6 week period they will receive a fixed penalty notice of £120 from the LA.
- The LA threshold is actually 3 days!
- The three INSETs around May 2017 half-term and the first week of Easter will allow you to have a cheaper holiday abroad.



**MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY.**