

St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer

RE: SCHOOL ATTENDANCE / SUPPORT MEETING

It has long been recognised that academic success is built upon a sound foundation of good attendance. Therefore, we monitor attendance of all pupils closely. Pupil attendance is currently categorised as:

Green : Safety Zone – 96% - 100%

Amber: At Risk Zone – 91%-96%%

Red: Danger Zone - Below 90% (persistent absence)

Your child's current attendance this academic year is no at ??%

Further to a recent letter and phone call regarding your child's attendance, there has been no improvement and attendance has slipped to below 90%.

Any child with below 90% attendance is considered by the Department for Education to be a "persistent absentee" and school can no longer authorise any absences without medical evidence. For persistent absentees the school is expected to have plans in place to both support children and to improve their attendance.

We would like to offer you some support from school to help improve your child's attendance. We would therefore like you attend a meeting at school on (insert date and time).

Please contact school on 0191 6433400 to confirm your attendance.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Fallon