



Attendance matters!

Make every day count

Cardinal Newman Catholic High School places a significant emphasis on student's attendance and good punctuality to school.

Research shows that pupils who attend school on a regular basis make good progress and achieve superior exam results. Students that don't attend school fall behind with their work and don't achieve as well.

Students that don't attend are more likely to become disengaged in their learning and their aspirations to succeed are much lower.

Superior school attendance shows future employers that a young person is reliable, hardworking and more likely to achieve their full potential.

Children with *over 90% attendance* are *more likely to gain 5 or more A-C GCSEs* or any qualifications

Children with *less than 85%* attendance are *unlikely to gain 5 A-C GCSEs* or any qualifications

Being frequently late for school also adds up to lost learning:

- *Arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over 3 days lost each year*
- *Arriving 15 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 2 weeks a year*
- *Arriving 30 minutes late is the same as being absent for 19 days a year*

19 days lost a year through being late = **90% attendance.**

At Cardinal Newman Catholic High School we expect *every* student to strive for 100% attendance with a minimum expectation of 95% for each school year.

Cardinal Newman Catholic High School have an excellent Pastoral team who monitor students attendance to school as this is an essential ingredient in securing academic progress and long term achievement which we believe defines the future success of every individual within our school. This can only be achieved through working closely with parents and carers to offer support and guidance in order for students to achieve their full potential.

Being punctual to school is also one of Cardinal Newman's high expectations. We take into account there maybe one off sessions where students are late to school but persistent punctuality is unacceptable and students are sanctioned for this.

Students are expected to be on school site for 8.40 each day. Being on time to school means time spent with the students form tutor which will then prepare them for the day ahead.