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Dear Parent/Carer,

At Church Stretton School, we want every student to be happy, healthy, confident and successful and to make the most of every opportunity that school provides.

Being in school is about much more than an attendance percentage. Every day gives students opportunities to learn, spend time with friends, develop positive relationships with trusted adults, take part in new experiences and build the routines and confidence that support their wellbeing.

We know that there will be times when children are genuinely too unwell to attend, and we also recognise that some young people experience other barriers that can make coming to school difficult.

Our approach is based on working together with families. We want to celebrate good attendance, recognise improvements, understand difficulties and provide support as early as possible when it is needed.

The attached parental guide explains our expectations around attendance, why being in school matters and what you should do if your child is unwell or struggling to attend.

Any attendance concerns should be directed to our attendance officer in the first instance:
Email: attendance.officer@csschool.co.uk or 01694 722209.

Alternatively, you may contact your Childs Head of Year if you would like some further support around attendance:

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Year Group	Head of Year	Email
Year 7	Mr Kirkby	guy.kirkby1@csschool.co.uk
Years 8 & 10	Mr Elkins	alistair.elkins@csschool.co.uk
Years 9 & 11	Ms Gajny	yvonne.gajny@csschool.co.uk

Kind Regards

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