



St. John the Evangelist Catholic Academy

"Lord be thy word my rule."

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Punctuality in school

The children have had a wonderful start back to school and we were very impressed with the way children have been on time for their learning in a morning.

As you are all aware from my previous letter, as directed by the Department for Education, children have to be in school for 32.5 hours per week. To make sure all children were meeting this target, we removed the flexi time in the morning.

During the beginning of this half term, there were only a small number of pupils who were not arriving on time. However, this week we have seen a rise in the number of late children over the week. The Collegiate Education Welfare Officer has been looking at all late arrivals since the start of the academic year.

If children are late to school, then they will miss the beginning of their first lesson and this does have a big impact on their learning and how they feel at the start of the day.

As a reminder the class door will close for;

Early Years and Key Stage One (Nursery to Year 2) at 8.40am.

Key Stage Two (Years 3 to 6) at 8.50am.

After half term we will be introducing a new weekly raffle ticket prize for all children who are in school all week and are in each day on time.

Yours sincerely

Mrs H Rigby
Principal
