

# St Elizabeth's Primary School



## Child Friendly Attendance Policy

### Why do we need to come to school?

- To learn new things
- It's the law
- Being part of a group helps us to get on with others and make new friends
- Educational visits help us learn about the big wide world outside of school
- Taking part in clubs and teams is fun and helps us to play together and get better at what
- Being at school every day helps us to improve our chances of getting a job or going to college and university when you get older

### What happens if you don't come to school?

- Children don't learn as well and fall behind with their learning
- You might get bored at home and develop bad habits and become lazy
- You don't to make as many friends
- You miss out on special days, celebrations educational visits, school clubs and team events
- Children should always try to come to school unless they are **REALLY ILL**
- Your parents will be called for a meeting with school if you are off sick 3 times or if school don't have a reason for being off
- If your attendance does not improve a referral will be made to the Local Authority

### What to do if you don't come to school

- Telephone school on the first day you are off
- Keep in touch with school
- If you have been to the doctors show school your appointment card

### Rewards

- Attendance cup is presented in celebration assembly at the beginning of each week.
- Prize each week for winning class with highest attendance
- Rewards through the term for excellent and improved attendance
- Reward at end of year for 100% and most improved attendance