



Dear Parent/Carer,

## **Attendance Prize Draw and Rewards**

Being around teachers and friends in a school environment is the best way for students to learn and reach their potential. Time in school also keeps children safe and provides access to extra-curricular opportunities and pastoral care. Evidence shows that the students with the highest attendance throughout their time in school gain the best GCSE results.

This is why school attendance is so important and why we are committed to pursuing the very best attendance for each of our students.

To say thank you and reward our families for their ongoing support for attendance, there will be a prize draw for each year group. Students with 96% and above attendance from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024 to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024 will be entered into our £50 ASDA prize draw (one per year group)!

We are of course aware that in some cases, absence from school is unavoidable. As a result, we operate an 'Exceptional Circumstances' procedure that allows Parents / Carers to let us know the reason for absence and request that their child remain eligible for the draw. There are times when 'Exceptional Circumstances' will be considered, including:

- To attend a specialist medical appointment linked to life-long medical condition
- To grieve for and attend the funeral of an immediate family member

In addition to the prize draw, we will be operating 100% attendance weekly spot prizes for students e.g., hot chocolate at breaktime. We will let you know when these are and for which year group.

Please continue to encourage your child to attend school every day and aspire to reach 100% attendance for this term.

Kind Regards,

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