



4 December 2024

Dear Parent / Carer

Y10 - Keep attendance high until the end of the term!

We are writing to let you know that Y10 attendance has begun to improve and to celebrate this with you all, as good attendance habits really do improve outcomes. Although it can feel that GCSE examinations are a long way away in Y10, all lesson content is mapped to GCSE success and missed lessons / days lead to missed learning.

We are really grateful to all the families that are prioritising attendance; your commitment is making a huge difference and it is appreciated.

We have noticed that attendance drops off for our Year 10 students during the last week prior to holidays. Every day continues to count for them and we want their attendance to remain high right up until the last day of term, which is Thursday 19 December.

We appreciate that this is the time of year when illness can start to circulate within year groups and last week there was a higher level of illness for Y10 than previous weeks. Please consult with the NHS guide if you are unsure if your child is too ill for school.

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

If your child is too ill to attend, please remember to contact the school. Absences can be reported in a number of ways:

- By using the Edulink App
- By telephoning school on 01723 582194
- By emailing the school at hello@gps.hslt.academy or news@gps.hslt.academy

When reporting an absence, please inform school of the reason for this. Failure to do so may result in your child being marked with unauthorised absence. We look forward to seeing your child in school tomorrow and hope that you can remind them, as ever, that they need to be in to win!

Yours sincerely

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