



Whingate Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you for your continued support with attendance and punctuality. Overall the large majority of children are in well before registration at 8:55am and are benefitting from the essential learning we provide during our morning work. We will continue to promote punctuality and are intending to keep our 'Punctuality Push' running until the end of this school year to reward children.

School finishes at 3:10pm and the gates close at 3:20pm-thank you to all of the families who are on time to collect their children. Unfortunately, we still have too many children who are regularly collected late which impacts on:

-the child's wellbeing as they worry about why no-one has arrived, and,

-staff time, who then must supervise the children at the end of the day, preventing them from completing their work or being able to collect their own children on time.

We absolutely understand there are times when things crop up or unavoidable delays occur, but we have several families who collect their children late regularly. After consultation with our governors and local schools, we have made the decision that if children are collected late on 2 separate occasions within a two-week period, we will send out a warning letter that the school will charge £3 for any further late collections. The charge will be applied directly to their Parent Pay account and must be cleared within 4 weeks.

We always want to work together with our families and support them and we hope you understand that this decision has been reached as a last resort after exhausting other avenues and will be started from our first week back in the Summer term.

Thank you for you continued support.

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