

Impact of arriving late for school

Penalty Notices

You could receive a £60 penalty notice if your child is coded as U (unauthorised late) in the register on 10 or more occasions.

'L' code is given after 08.50am 'U' code is given after 09.05am



Being on time

Gets their day off to a good start and puts them in a positive frame of mind; they can make the most of their learning opportunities

Having a solid morning routine will keep everyone's stress levels low

Sets positive patterns for the future

Leads to a good attendance record

Means children don't miss the start of lessons, children arriving late are often upset and embarrassed entering the classroom when learning has already begun

Leads to better achievement because they attend the WHOLE of the lesson

Leads to an understanding that school is important and education is valuable

Is respectful to the teacher and to their classmates and builds good habits for later in life

Being frequently late for school adds up to lost learning:

- arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over 3 days lost each year
- arriving 15 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 2 weeks a year
- arriving 30 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 19 days a year

19 days lost a year through being late means 90% attendance

Our Education Welfare Officer, Andrew Connaughton will be closely monitoring punctuality in school.

If your child's punctuality is of concern you will be invited into school for a meeting with the EWO.