

Lanchester E.P. (Cont.) Primary School

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Hello, I would like to introduce myself to you all. My name is Lesley Sabourn. I will be working in Lanchester EP Primary School as School Attendance Officer to help improve attendance and punctuality in school.

Although in general school attendance is of a good standard, there is always room for improvement.

When children's attendance in school is lower than government and school's acceptable level, it can be a worrying time for both schools and

parents. My aim will be to work towards increasing the number of children in school who have an attendance of 97% and above. This is school's targeted attendance level. I will also be working to reduce the number of children in school who are considered by government to be a persistent absentee. This term is used by government to describe a child who has 90% or less attendance in school.

Punctuality in school is also very important. Pupils who are late into school often miss vital instructions or information which is given when they arrive into school on time. Please be aware that if your child is persistently late for school, this will be another area I will be working in to prevent lateness impacting on children's progress in school.

I will be in school every other Tuesday. I would love to hear from you if you have concerns about your child's attendance and/or punctuality. I will be happy to help support families to address any issues affecting this. Please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be contacted via the School Office.

Many thanks

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