

At Winkie we aim to provide an organised and progressive education. By continually missing days your child may miss important steps in their learning.

If your child is away the school needs to know why

Missing 5 days in 3 weeks equals losing 33% of a child's learning time

Missing 10 days every term equals losing over 1 year of learning by the end of Primary School

Missing 50 days a year equals losing 2 whole years of learning by the end of Primary School

Winkie Primary School aims to achieve quality education outcomes for all students. If children do not regularly attend school they cannot gain maximum benefit from schooling. We promote regular attendance through:

- Ongoing student engagement programs and activities for children
- Provision of a positive and supportive learning environment where students experience success
- Positive parent communication

SPECIAL NOTES

- **Temporary Exemption:** - if a student is absent for an extended period of time for family travel/holiday, medical condition or other (conditional) the principal can approve an exemption
- **Exemption:-** For absences greater than 1 month due to family travel, medical condition or other (conditional) reasons an exemption can be sought through the Manager of the Regional Support Services
- **Late :-** A child will be considered late if they are not in class by 9:00
- **ACEO** – Aboriginal Community Education Officer
- **DECD** Department for Education and Child Development
- **Regional Student Attendance Counsellor** – this person can be used at any time in our process to seek advice or relevant information

This policy refers explicitly to unexplained absences. However any pattern of absences that impact student learning may lead to the appropriate step in this policy being implemented.

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Attendance Policy



Our values are:

- Be Respectful
- Be Safe
- Do our Best

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Winkie Primary School Attendance Process

