

Improving Punctuality at North Walkden Primary School-

The impact of arriving late for school:

Penalty notices

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

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 your learning opportunities.
- Sets positive patterns for the future.
- Leads to a good attendance record.
- Means they don't miss the start of lessons.
- 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.

Good Morning/ Bedtime Routines

Getting up in the morning can be a challenge for kids and adults alike, but starting the day with structure can set the tone for the rest of the day.

With that in mind, get your children used to waking up at the same time every day. If you let them sleep in, you'll have to rush, which means beginning the day in a frenzy. Having a solid morning ritual will keep everyone's stress level low.

If your child is notoriously not a morning person, you may need to establish night time routines that make the mornings flow better. For example, this child may need to take baths at night and already have their uniform out, so in the morning all they'll need to do is brush their teeth, wash and get dressed.

Please ask for support from Mrs Blemmings if you are experiencing difficulties with routines.

Help is available

Please contact school if you are having difficulty in getting your child to school on time.

If school cannot help then they can sign post you to someone who can.

Salford City Council

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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