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Objective	To help families to work towards economic well being in the future
Sub Objective	To encourage families to attend on a daily basis
Objective Detail	To support families who find it difficult to be in school each day
What We Did	<p>Through looking at patterns of attendance it was noted that there were a number of families who have a high level of absence. There were often no real reasons given for these absences and teaching staff had to approach parents to ask for explanations.</p> <p>With an increase in hours a member of the office staff has been able to telephone parents on the first day of a child's absence to find out why the child is not in school. Parents are given a half termly report of attendance and parents have been informed of the schools attendance targets. 100% attendance is celebrated with the presentation of certificates each half term. The school also has two Parents Support Advisors who have been able to discuss problems with parents and in three extreme cases they have visited the house to offer support with attendance.</p>
How Well It Worked	The school have been able to reach the target of 94%. The majority of parents are sending their children to school on a regular basis. When a child is ill most now phone in to explain what is wrong and keep the school informed. They are also starting to make appointments out of school hours, if possible, or collect them and then return them to school rather than taking the whole day off.
Benefits We See	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Children in school on a regular basis - Parents see the importance of sending children to school each day - Parents who find it difficult to get children to school are feeling more supported

School / Organisation	Alderman Swindell
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