

Attendance Newsletter



Ixworth High School

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Issue 10

Well done to:

10 KMI who are now the highest attending tutor group in the school.

Year 7 who are the most improved year group.

49 students who are maintaining 100% attendance since September.

329 students who have improved their attendance this week.

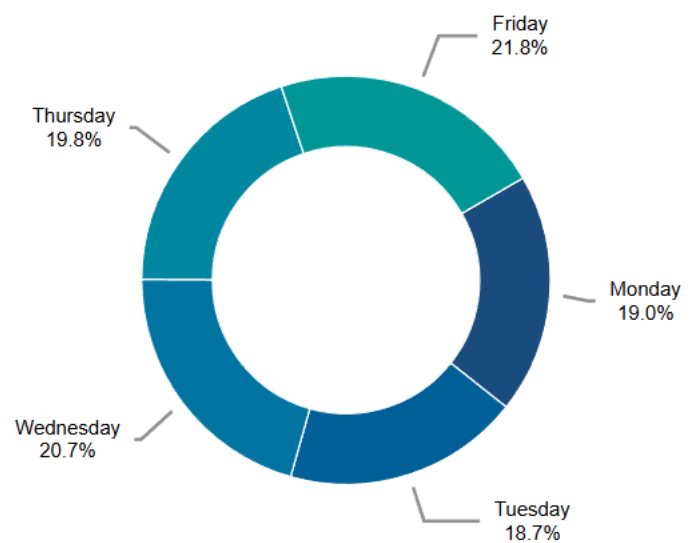
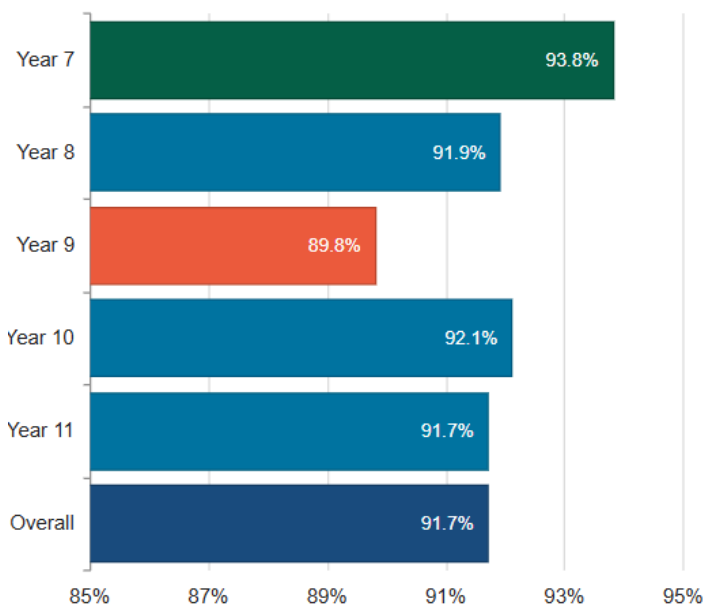


Current Attendance

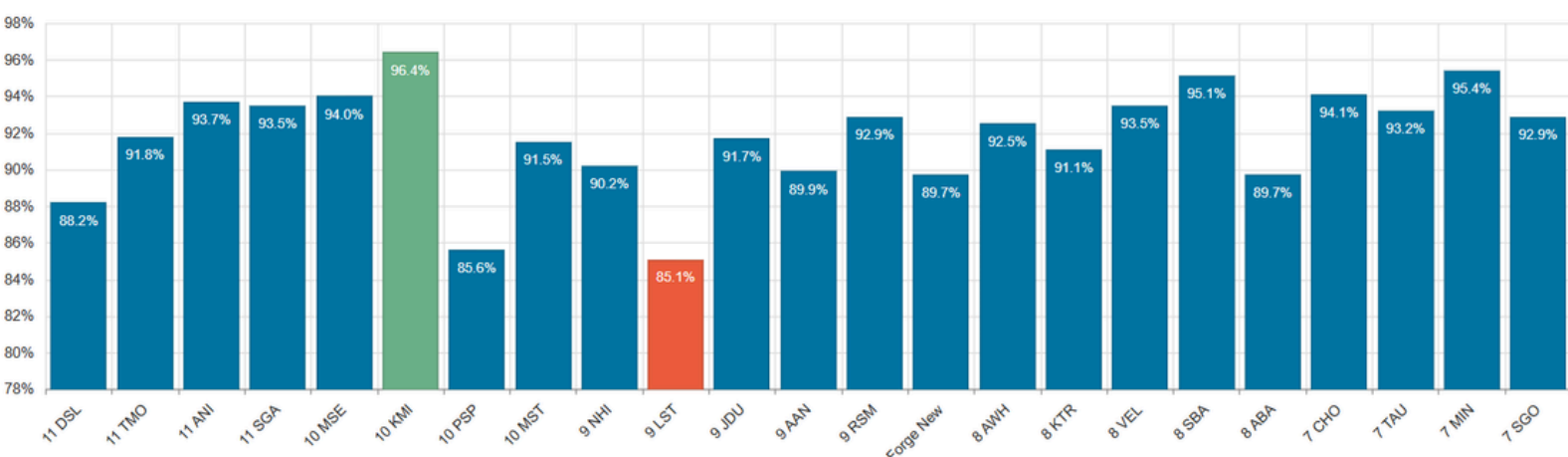
Current whole school attendance = 91.7%

Year Group

Day of the week



Tutor group attendance



Current standings:

First - 10 KMI

Second - 7 MIN

Third - 8 SBA



Quick tip

Attendance in schools is a critical indicator of a child's wellbeing and can reveal hidden signs of safeguarding issues. Schools are expected to view absence as a potential safeguarding risk.

DFE education blog: “Why school attendance matters, and what we’re doing to improve it “

In August 2205, the DFE released a blog article on the importance of school attendance. Below are some of the key out takes from it.

“Recent research by the Department for Education shows just how closely attendance and attainment are linked.

At primary school, children who attend nearly every day in Year 6 (95–100% attendance) have 30% higher odds of reaching the expected standard in reading, writing and Maths compared to similar pupils who attend 90–95% of the time.

The link is even stronger at secondary school. Year 11 pupils with near-perfect attendance have almost double the odds of achieving grade 5 in English and Maths GCSE compared to similar pupils attending 90–95% of the time. In other words, missing just 10 extra days is associated with half the odds of achieving these grades.

Missing school doesn't just affect exam results and a child's time in education – it can impact future earnings too.

Persistently absent pupils in secondary school could earn £10,000 less at age 28 compared to pupils with near-perfect attendance.

For each additional day of absence between Years 7 to 11, the typical pupil could miss out on an average of £750 in future lifetime earnings.”

The full article can be found here: [Why school attendance matters, and what we're doing to improve it – The Education Hub](#)

Decoding the 'attendance jargon'



Attendance 'sessions' - what are they?

The school day is split into two sessions – one session counts as a morning or afternoon spent in school. A student that attends on a Monday morning but goes home on a Monday afternoon would receive a present mark for one session (out of two possible) meaning their attendance for the day would be 50%.

The Attendance Team

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Ambitious learners
attend every day.

Resilient students
keep showing up.



Responsible choices
start with attendance.



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