LATE FOR SCHOOL?

CHILDREN LEARN BEST AT THE START OF THE DAY

| If your child | That Equals | Which is | Over 13 years of schooling |
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| misses | | | that is |
| 10 minutes a Day | 50 minutes a Week | 1.5 Weeks per Year | Nearly <u>1/2 Year</u> |
| | | | of lost learning |
| 20 minutes a Day | 1 hour 40 minutes a | 2.5 Weeks per year | Nearly <u>1 Year</u> |
| | Week | | of lost learning |
| 30 minutes a day | 1/2 a Day a Week | 4 Weeks per year | Nearly <u>1.5 Years</u> |
| | | | of lost learning |
| 1 hour a Day | 1 day a Week | 8 Weeks per year | Nearly 2.5 Years |
| | | | of lost learning |
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Support your child's success. Make sure they attend school, all day, every day!

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS!

Being late for school has a negative impact on your child's learning.

Being just 10 minutes late every day adds up to an hour a week of lost learning. Over a year this adds up to one week of school missed in a year!



Being late for class often means important instructions are missed and the class is interrupted. Your child may feel uncomfortable and on the outer with peers.

Children need to arrive on time ready to settle into their school work.

Arriving at least 5 minutes before the first bell allows your child to interact with their peers and teacher and get themselves ready for their busy day.

Attending School regularly and arriving on time helps prepare children for the real world, where it is expected that they turn up to work every day and on time.

What if my child is sick?

Children will get sick and need to stay home occasionally. However, don't let your child stay home unless they are truly sick. Keep in mind complaints such as a stomach ache or headache can be a sign of anxiety and not a reason to stay home. Don't send your child to school if they have a fever, diarrhoea, vomiting, a serious cough, rash, conjunctivitis or a contagious illness e.g. chicken pox.

Always inform the school if your child is absent due to illness. If they are anxious about going to school talk to your child's teacher.