



Together we will be our best!

At St Wilfrid's we believe that being in school every day, is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing, and their wider development. Therefore, attending school is very important and as we emerge from the challenges of the last few years, we are focussing on making sure our children are in school as much as possible to ensure they achieve their best.

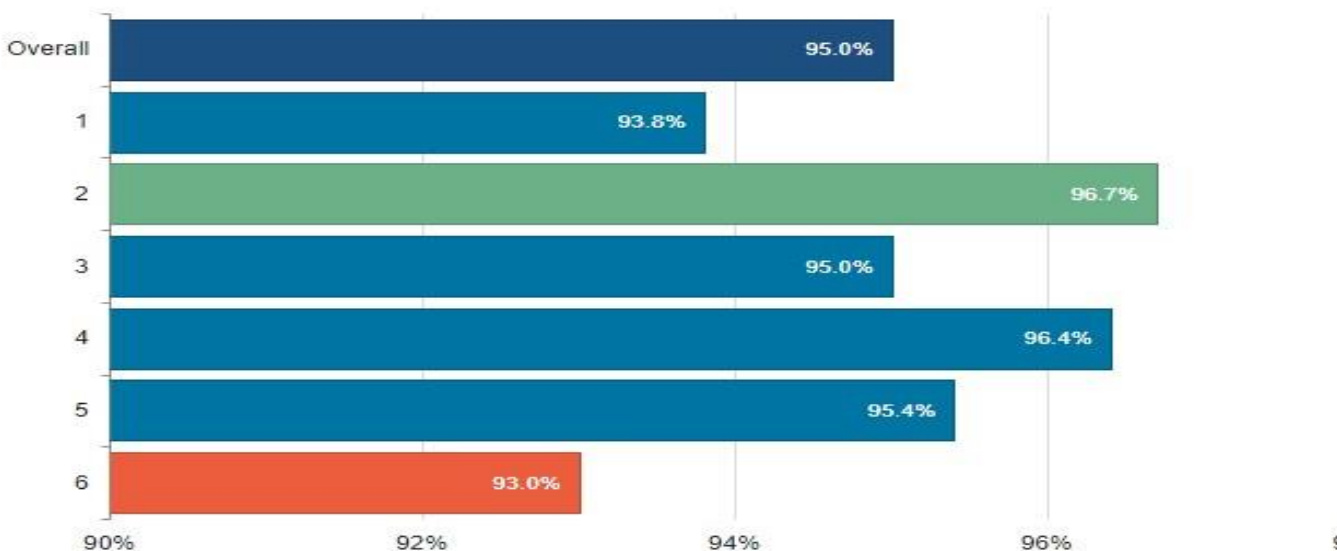
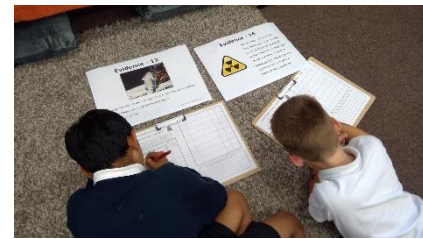
Previously, we were achieving 96.75% and fully believe that it is possible to improve attendance to 97%.

Currently, our whole school attendance is below this, as you will see from the diagram below and, importantly, only just in line with national figures.

Obviously, with illness and other genuine reasons for absence then we do not expect children in school. However, we thank you for your support in ensuring your child is in school when they are supposed to be, so that 'Together We Will Be Our Best'.



**October
2022**





Our value this half term

Each half term we focus on one of our values, which is embedded into our learning to help the children understand and appreciate their environment, the wider world and to help them be the best they can be. This term our value is **Hope**.

We live with **HOPE**. We have the courage to meet the opportunities and challenges of the future, secure in God's love for us.



'May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him'

Romans 15:13



Celebration Worship

Every Friday, we gather together to celebrate those children who have demonstrated one of our school values. We also spend time sharing the learning that has been going on across the school in the form of a short video. Now, we have all the permissions in, we can begin to share the video with our wider school community and Friday's video will appear on the website on a Friday evening.



Consultation Meetings

We are looking forward to welcoming parents/carers into school this week and for the class teachers to share with you about your child's learning. Obviously, if you have any concerns then please do not wait for the consultation meetings as our team are happy to discuss these with you.



'Spotlight on Music'

We have started the new music curriculum with specialist music teachers from Sussex Music School - including year 4 learning to play recorders and Year 5 Ukuleles and Year 6 learning to read musical notation. Pupils are looking forward to sharing some of their learning with other classes during the next half term.

Listening project -Pupils have been listening to and evaluating new pieces and styles of music from Classical to Jazz to Pop from around the world in worship and during class time. Lots of pupils have taken up opportunities to take instrumental lesson - 25 in cello groups, some started learning the guitar, keyboard, violin and flute. Please contact school office if your child is interested and we can put you in contact with the relevant teachers. Pupils are hoping to share some of their learning in a concert next term.

Year 6 pupils visited Oathall for the Big Sing 2022 - singing with pupils from other schools and Ensemble Rezo - Miranda's 'We Don't Talk About Bruno'. and 'As It Was' by Harry Styles



Important dates

See our website [calendar](#)

