MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS (11)

February 2026

Thank you for your continued support in promoting good attendance and wellbeing across our school community. Our current whole school attendance is 95.9%. However, we would love to increase our whole school attendance back to 96% or more.

We appreciate some absences can not be helped but below are some ideas for how you can help your child be at school as often as possible:

- Ensuring your child understands the importance of attendance and getting into school for morning bell.
- Asking about their school day and encouraging them to get involved in school activities.
- Talking about any problems they may have and pass on any concerns to their class teacher.
- Not allowing them take time off school for minor ailments – particularly those which would not prevent you from going to work. We will always send children home who are not well enough to be in school.
- Arranging appointments after school hours, at weekends or during the holidays, to prevent disruption to your child's education and to the school.
- Not booking holidays in term time.
- Being open and willing to work with us to improve your child's attendance.

Who can support me?

- Our school attendance champion is Mrs Victoria Toppin (vtoppin@elmbridgeprimary.co.uk).
- You can speak to your child's teacher about attendance at any time.
- You can speak to any of the school's pastoral team.
- You can speak to Mrs Holliday, Mr Tharia or Mr Riddle.
- You can speak to anyone at school who will be pleased to advise and help you ensure your child attends school regularly.

We wish you all a restful February half term and will look forward to welcoming everyone back for Term 4 on **Monday 23rd February 2026**.