



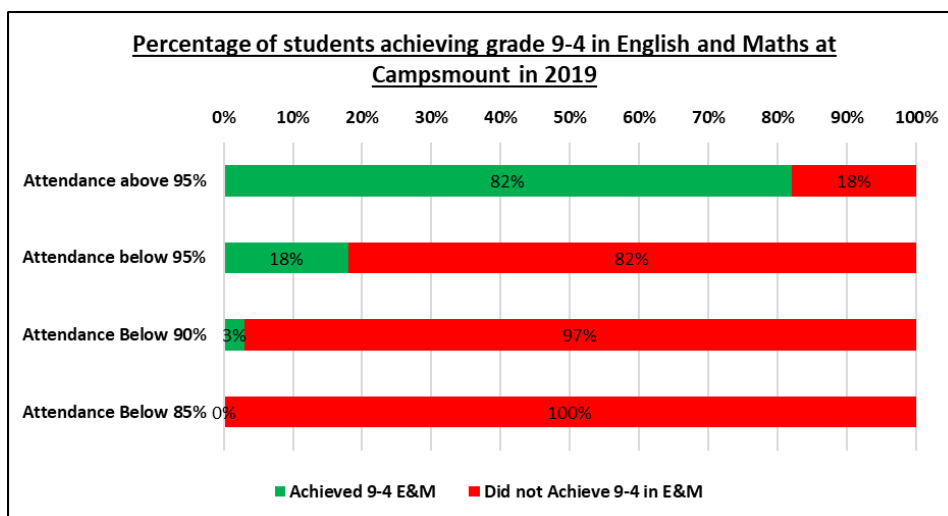
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February 2020

Dear Parent,

Every Day Counts

The relationship between student, school and parents is crucial for the success of a young person. We also know that one of the single biggest contributions that you, as supportive parents, can make to your child's education is to send them to school every day. The graph below shows the impact of good attendance on a student's progress in both their English and Maths GCSEs at the end of Year 11.



The impact of attendance on results is clear. Students with attendance above 95% achieve the best results. No students with attendance below 85% achieved a 'standard pass' in GCSE English and Maths. 90% in an examination is an excellent result, however **90% attendance is unsatisfactory**. A student with below 90% attendance is, legally defined as **persistently absent** from school.

It is impossible for a student to catch up on this lost learning time. We do of course, realise that there are at times absences which are unavoidable, however:

Every Day Counts:

- 95% attendance = 8½ school days or 51 lessons missed (secondary school)
- 90% attendance = 19 school days or 114 lessons missed (secondary school)

As a parent, please support your child in the following ways:

- Do not book holidays in term time. Students attend school for 190 days per year, **leaving 175 non-school days**
- Do not book routine medical appointments during the school day
- Do not allow your child to stay at home with a headache or other minor illness
- Contact the Academy if your child does not want to attend, we have staff to support them



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As you will be aware we have made adjustments to the school day, and as a result students go straight into lessons at 8:35am. Therefore, students who are late miss crucial learning time as well as interrupting the learning of others by entering the classroom late.

Our students know that they need to be committed to their own learning. We ask you, as supportive parents to be committed to sending them to school every day and on time; **Every Day Counts.**

Please find attached information regarding what to do if your child is absent and if you require additional information please contact your child's progress leader at school.

Yours sincerely,

Mr E Chapman
Assistant Headteacher

Campsmount Academy – Important Upcoming Dates

Monday 24 th February 2020	Students return to school after half term
Thursday 27 th February 2020	PPE's begin for Years 10-13
Tuesday 24 th March 2020	Year 11 Progress Review Evening
Friday 3 rd April 2020	Training Day – Academy closed to students
Monday 6 th April to Friday 17 th April	Easter Holidays – Academy closed
Monday 20 th April 2020	Students return to school
Friday 8 th May 2020	Bank Holiday – Academy closed
Monday 11 th May 2020	A Level and GCSE examinations begin
Monday 25 th May 2020 to Friday 29 th May 2020	Half-term – Academy closed
Monday 1 st June 2020	Students return to school
Wednesday 17 th June 2020	PPE's begin for Years 9, 10 and 12
Wednesday 24 th June 2020	A Level and GCSE examinations finish
Friday 17 th July 2020	Last day for students
Monday 20 th July 2020 to Wednesday 2 nd September 2020	Summer Holidays
Thursday 3 rd September 2020	Students return to school