

## **Attendance Statement**

**March 2019**

The responsibility for good attendance is shared between parents, pupils and the school. Pupils need to attend school regularly to maintain consistent progress and achievement in both curriculum knowledge and understanding, and personal and social skills.

Headteachers will only authorise leave of absence in exceptional circumstances. If a Headteacher grants a leave request, it will be for the Headteacher to determine the length of time that the child can be away from school. Even in cases where exceptional leave of absence is sought, the school will consider a child's progress, attainment and attendance pattern and may refuse to authorise absence. Leave will not be granted for the purposes of a family holiday as there are 190 statutory school days in one year, thus leaving 175 days available to use for holidays. Therefore Governors believe that sufficient time is available for holidays during school holiday time.

**The Governors of Kingshill Infant School**