## **Every Minute of Every Day Counts!!!**

As educators we try different strategies for numerous issues that arise in the course of a child's journey through school.

One issue highlighted by our 2011 school data is that families may not be aware just how much time their child is missing from school.

We regularly monitor student absence and contact parents where necessary! You may be surprised by the statistics below:

## Being absent from school 1 or 2 Days doesn't seem like much but ...

Your child is only	That equals	Which is	Over 13 years	So the best your child can
missing just			that is	perform is
1 day per	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years	Equal to finishing in Year 11
fortnight				
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years	Equal to finishing in Year 10
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years	Equal to finishing in Year 7
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Almost 8 years	Equal to finishing in Year 4

## Just a little bit late for school doesn't seem like much but ....

Your child is only	That equals	Which is	Over 13 years of schooling
missing just			that is
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Almost 1.5 weeks per year	Almost half a year
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 mins per week	Almost 2.5 weeks per year	Almost a whole year
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Almost one and a half years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Over 2 and a half years.