



Tudor Grange Samworth Academy

The effects of late arrival to school

- Our school day begins at 8.30am.
- The Primary gate will be closed promptly at 8.30am so that the teacher on door duty can return to their class.

Learning time lost:

Arriving 5 minutes late each day:

- 5 days a week = 25 minutes lost learning time a week.
- 39 weeks a year = 16 hours and 15 minutes lost learning time a year.
- 7 years in our school = 113 hours and 45 minutes learning time lost.

Why is PUNCTUALITY such a GOOD thing?

Being on time:

- Gets your child's day off to a good start so he/she can settle straight into the school day.
- Sets positive patterns for the future.
- Leads to good attendance.
- Leads to better achievement.
- Leads to understanding that school is important and education is valuable.

Why is LATENESS such a BAD thing?

Being late:

- Gets your child's day off to a bad start.
- Can be really embarrassing for your child to walk into class late.
- May lead to your child feeling confused all day! He/She will have missed out on vital instructions, information and news at the start of the day.
- Disrupts the lesson for everyone.
- Creates a bad habit that is hard to break.
- Can lead to poor attendance – if your child thinks that it is okay to be late for school they can soon think it's okay not to go to school at all.

What should you do if you have a problem getting your child to school on time?

- Talk to your child, set a morning routine.
- Talk to the school, ask for advice.
- Ask for help – remember it's better to get help early on to stop little problems from becoming big ones!