

Rehearsal Attendance Guidelines

1. It is not necessary to provide a reason for your absence, only inform the conductor you will not be present for the rehearsal or concert.
2. It is not appropriate to discuss your attendance with the conductor immediately prior to a rehearsal. Please give advance notice in person or via the website's contact page.
3. It is not appropriate to provide notification of absence via a fellow band member. If you are the person asked to pass on such a message, politely refuse! Notification of absence must be given to a member of staff or through the website's contact page.
4. Inability to attend due to absence from school should still be communicated through the band's contact page.
5. Notification of absence on the day of a rehearsal is unacceptable unless as a result of illness. Last minute call offs will be classed as unexplained.
6. If a pupil has been present in school all day but leaves after school this will also be classed as an unexplained absence.
7. 3 unexplained absences within one term will result in the loss of your place in the band.
8. In Terms 1 & 2 (8 rehearsals each) more than 2 absences will lead to a review of your seating position and/or participation in upcoming performances.
9. In Term 3 (12 rehearsals) more than 3 absences will lead to a review of your seating position and/or participation in upcoming performances.
10. In Term 4 (7 rehearsals) more than 2 absences will lead to a review of your seating position and/or participation in upcoming performances.
11. In a block of additional rehearsals prior to a festival performance more than 3 absences will mean you cannot participate in the festival. Typically there are 9 extra rehearsals across 2 weeks in these blocks.
12. Deadlines for providing extra rehearsal/concert availability must be observed.