



What happens when a teacher is absent from school?

Teachers are sometimes absent from school. This can be for many reasons and can be for short or long periods. When this happens, we have to cover their absence in their classroom. This may have to be arranged at very short notice.

Sometimes we are able to use a member of school staff to work with a class.

On other occasions we employ another teacher, not currently working at the school. These are 'Supply Teachers'.

When we are able, we will try to maintain as much continuity as possible by using the same supply teacher for as long as possible. This is not always possible and can be outside our control.

If it becomes clear that an absence is going to last for a prolonged period, we will let parents know, and try to keep them informed about who will be working with their children.

At times, an absence might mean that some planned activities do not take place, such as trips or even parents evenings. If this can be avoided, it will be, but sometimes it cannot be helped.

Parents are always welcome to speak to members of staff if they need to know anything.