

# How Parents of Athboy Community School Can Help Make **Every School Day Count**

- Establish a good routine in the mornings and evenings so your child is prepared for the school day ahead.
- Ensure your child arrives at school on time – not late.
- Arrange dental and medical appointments outside school hours when possible.
- Always inform the school if your child is absent due to illness – this should be followed up with an app note when your child returns to school.
- Take truancy seriously – if your child is not attending school as you expect they may be putting themselves at risk – Who are they with? What are they doing?
- Take family holidays outside term time.
- Talk to your child about school and take an interest in their school work (including homework).
- Attend parent evenings and school events.
- Praise and reward your child's achievements at school.
- Always support school staff in their efforts to manage difficult or challenging behaviour.
- Discuss any problems or difficulties with the relevant teacher / Year Head – staff are there to help and will be supportive.



Encourage your child to attend school everyday – show them that their attendance matters to you

