

Penistone Grammar School

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Dear Parent/Carer of [StudentFullName]

Introducing Studybugs - an efficient way to report school absence securely

We are pleased to let you know that at Penistone Grammar School we are introducing a new efficient and secure system for reporting your child's absence due to illness, called Studybugs.

We are asking all parents and carers to download the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website, and use it to tell us whenever your child is ill and unable to attend school.

It is our hope that all absence messages will be received in this way soon, freeing up our phone lines for conversations where you or your child need our support.

Studybugs is integrated with our systems so this speeds up the process of identifying which students are absent from school without an explanation and enables us to contact their parents/carers earlier in the school day.

It is quick and easy to register with Studybugs (you just need the email address you have registered with school and your child's details) and the technology is straightforward to use. Also, it automatically reminds you to keep us updated if there is an ongoing absence.

Get the app or register now (https://studybugs.co/about/parents) Please see attachment detailing QR code.

We look forward to seeing you all on the Studybugs app! If you have any questions or difficulties with Studybugs, please email attendance@penistone-gs.uk.

Kind regards,

Penistone Grammar School