

## ATTENDANCE AT GISBORNE GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

One of our school goals this year is to improve our rate of student attendance.

“Student attendance will improve to at least 85% at each year level.”

Keeping students in education is vital for their success both in school and later in life. The research tells us that the fewer days students are at school, the less chance they have of achieving. Missing school isn't just about missing learning, it is also about all the other opportunities that are missed – **every day matters!**

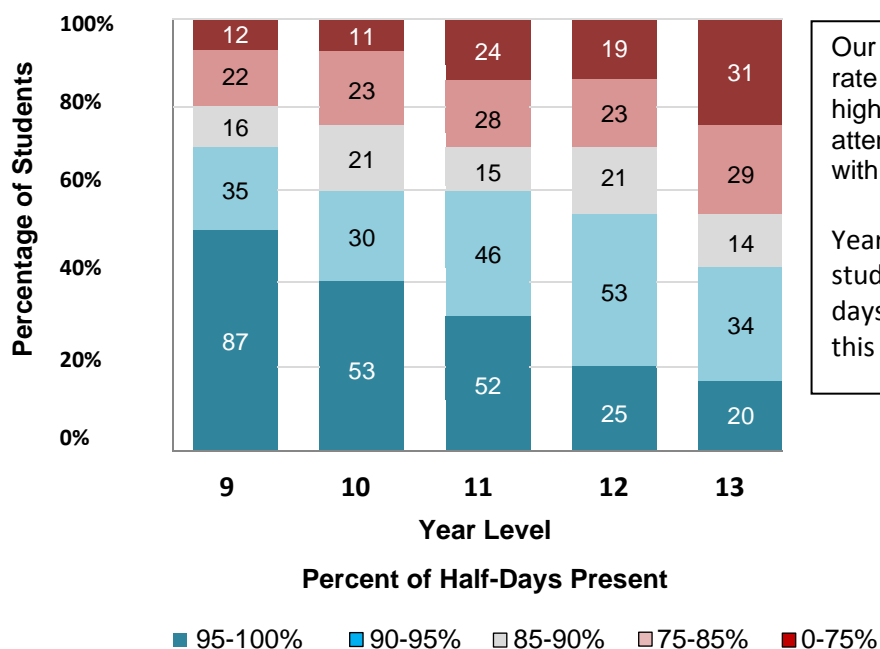
This year we are involved in a Ministry of Education initiative to improve student attendance. They have processed our data for Term One and produced the graph below which is very interesting. This graph clearly shows the attendance rates across our school.

We can clearly see that our senior students need to improve their rate of attendance. It is vital that students learn the importance of being reliable – no employer wants an employee who has poor attendance. It is at school that our students can develop the skills and habits that make them a future good employee.

**So please help us to improve our attendance rate by encouraging your student(s) to go to school EVERY DAY.**

### Student Attendance by Year Level

This graph shows how student attendance changes by year level.



### FIVE DAY CHALLENGE:

Attendance of at least 90% = maximum of half a day absent per week = 5 days maximum per term

I challenge every student to have attendance for Term Three of:

**LESS THAN FIVE DAYS ABSENT**

Please help your student to achieve this goal.