Truancy A good education gives your child the best possible start in life!

Education is essential to your child's future. Only by attending regularly can they achieve their full potential.

Pupils who are not in school are at risk of being involved in crime or may become a victim of crime.

It is the responsibility of the parent/carer

to ensure that their children attend school regularly. Failure to do so may result in prosecution. Courts can impose £2,500 fines of maximum for each parent/carer, a Parenting Order or prison sentence.

Being stopped on Truancy Patrol could

result in being issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Children who do not attend regularly not only miss out on their education but can experience difficulty in being part of a friendship group.

Do not fail your child by allowing them to stay away from school.

Fulfilling your parent/carer responsibilities ensuring regular attendance can in sometimes be difficult.

If you are worried that your child may be truanting, talk to their school, they

> can help, or can put you in touch with your Education Officer Welfare who also can help to sort out problems.

If your child does not attend school regularly an **Education Welfare** Officer will visit. They will work with

and the school to you, your child improve their attendance.

It is in your child's best interest that you co-operate with the school and with the Education Welfare Officer.

DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR CHILD is TODAY!

Winterhill offers support and advice about your child's attendance To get in contact with our Attendance Team Claire Bannister or Clare Bradshaw

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