**STATUTORY DfE Data Collection - Parental Responsibility Measures Attendance (PRM-A) collection**

**FAO Headteacher/Attendance administrator**

Dear Colleague

We are emailing in relation to the data collection of Parental Responsibility Measures Attendance (PRM-A)that we are carrying out on behalf of the DfE.

Please fill in the form [PRMA return form 2023](https://forms.office.com/e/Yu0A3Bamf5) (https://forms.office.com/e/Yu0A3Bamf5) and submit by Friday 22 September with the two figures required. **A form is required even if you have not offered parenting contracts following unauthorised absence.** If unsure, details about the contracts are at the bottom of the email.

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| **Qualifying period for contracts included** | 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023 |
| **Method of collection** | Please provide data in the linked form [PRMA return form 2023](https://forms.office.com/e/Yu0A3Bamf5) (https://forms.office.com/e/Yu0A3Bamf5) and submit |
| **Deadline for collection** | By midday on Friday 22 September 2023 |
| **LA contact for any queries** | Please submit your answers via the form, if you have any difficulties submitting the form, contact our team at  [dataanalysisteam@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:dataanalysisteam@oxfordshire.gov.uk) |

**Parenting Contract**

The DfE Guidance notes [*School attendance parental responsibility measures statutory guidance*](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/581539/School_attendance_parental_responsibility_measures_statutory_guidance.pdf)include the following to explain what qualifies and should be included in the return.

*A parenting contract is a formal written signed agreement between parents and either*

*the local authority or the governing body of a school and should contain:*

*• A statement by the parents that they agree to comply for a specified period with*

*whatever requirements are set out in the contract; and*

*• A statement by the local authority or governing body agreeing to provide support*

*to the parents for the purpose of complying with the contract.*

*Parenting contracts can be used in cases of misbehaviour or irregular attendance at*

*school or alternative provision. Parenting contracts are voluntary but any non-compliance*

*should be recorded by the school or local authority as it may be used as evidence in*

*court where an application is made for a behaviour parenting order.*

*The local authority or governing body should fund any support required to implement a*

*parenting contract (such as referral to parenting classes) and provide information to*

*parents about other types of support available, such as details of national and local*

*agencies and helplines.*

Regards

Performance and Information Team

Oxfordshire County Council