



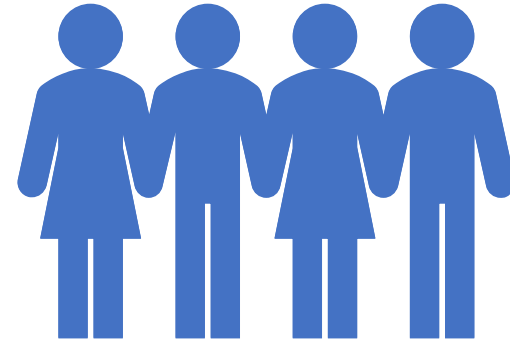
The VOG Inclusion Team

Attendance Update

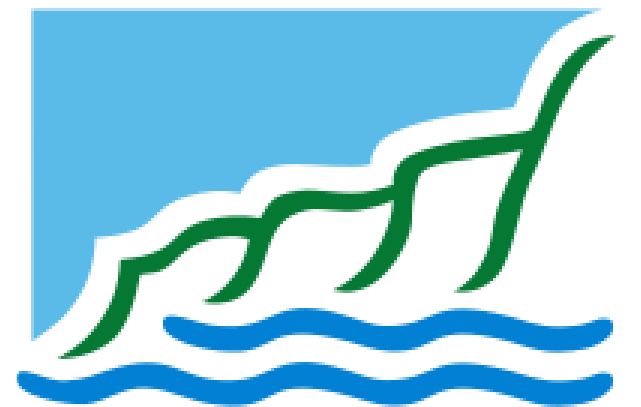
Learning and Culture

Scrutiny Committee

12th Oct 2023



VALE of GLAMORGAN



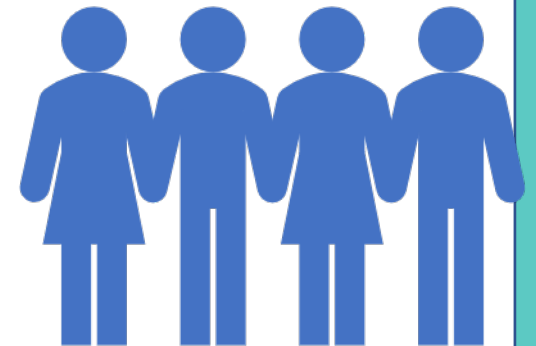
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Our Team...

- 1 x Inclusion Manger
- 2 x Lead Inclusion Officers
- 4 x Inclusion Officers
- 3 x Engagement Officers
 - Persistent Absence (PA)
 - Elective Home Education (EHE)
 - Out of School Tuition (OOST)
- 1 x Data Officer
- 1.5 x Admin Support
- 2 x OOST Tutors

Attendance, CME, EHE, Exclusions, OOST,
Child employment and Entertainment
licenses

Interface work with ALN, YJESS,
Links Team, In Reach (Health),
TAF(FACT), CYPS etc

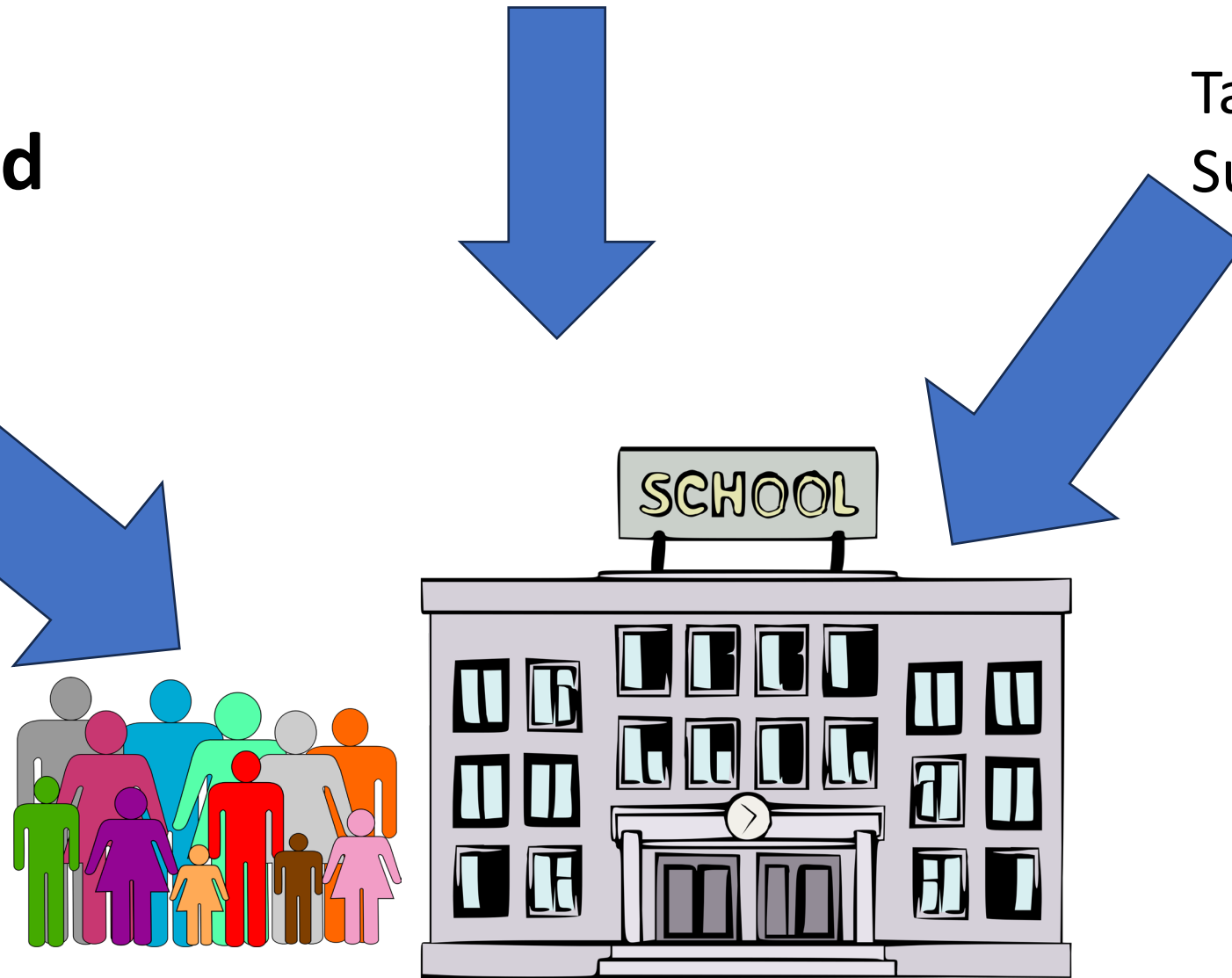


How will we support schools, learners and families?

Referral Based Support

Targeted Support

Universal Support



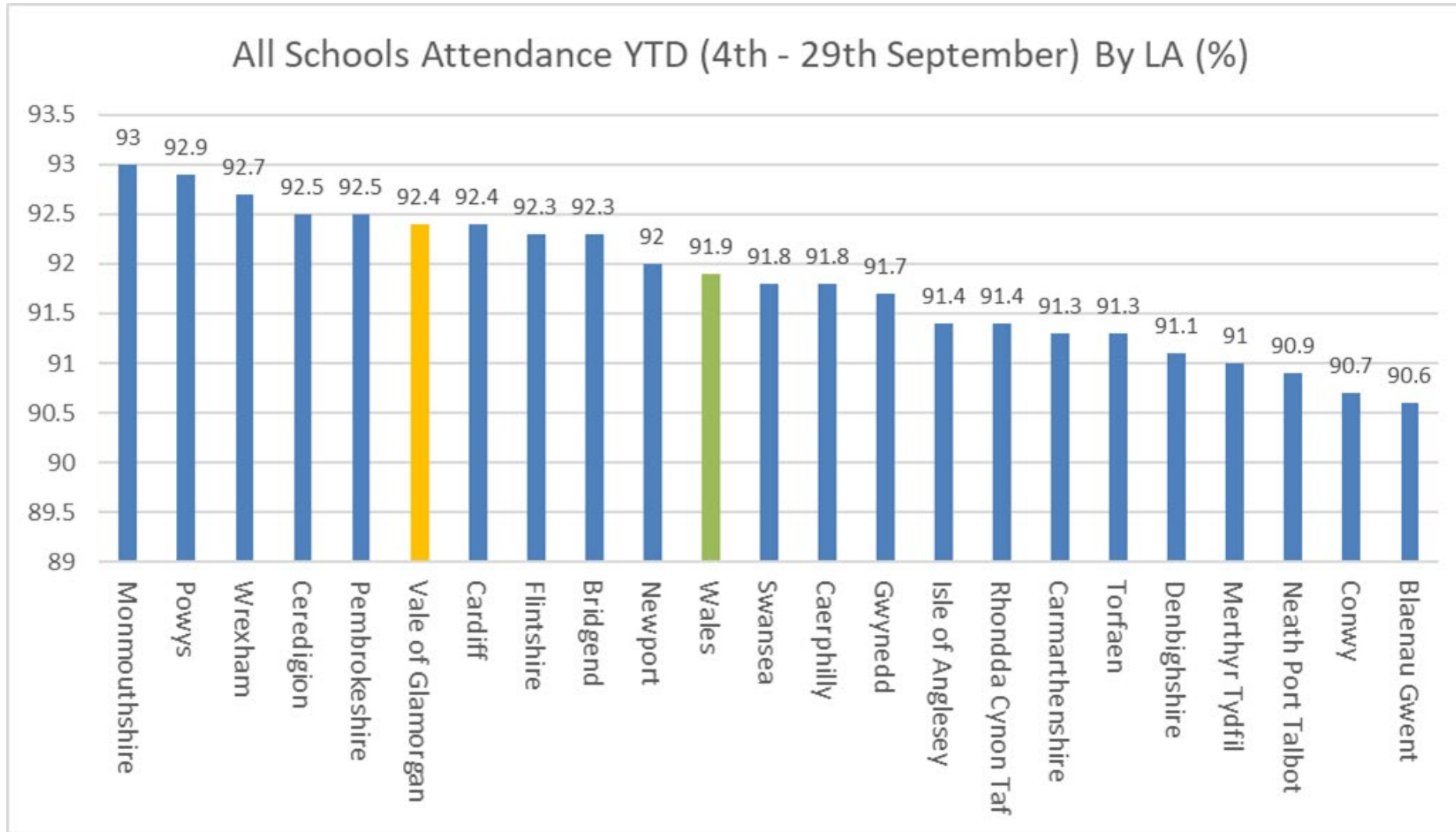
Attendance – The Trends

Type of School / End of Year	July 2015-16	July 2016 - 17	July 2017-18	July 2018-19	July 2022-23
Primary	95.3%	95.2%	94.7%	94.7%	91.6%
Secondary	95%	95.1%	94.6%	94.7%	84.6%

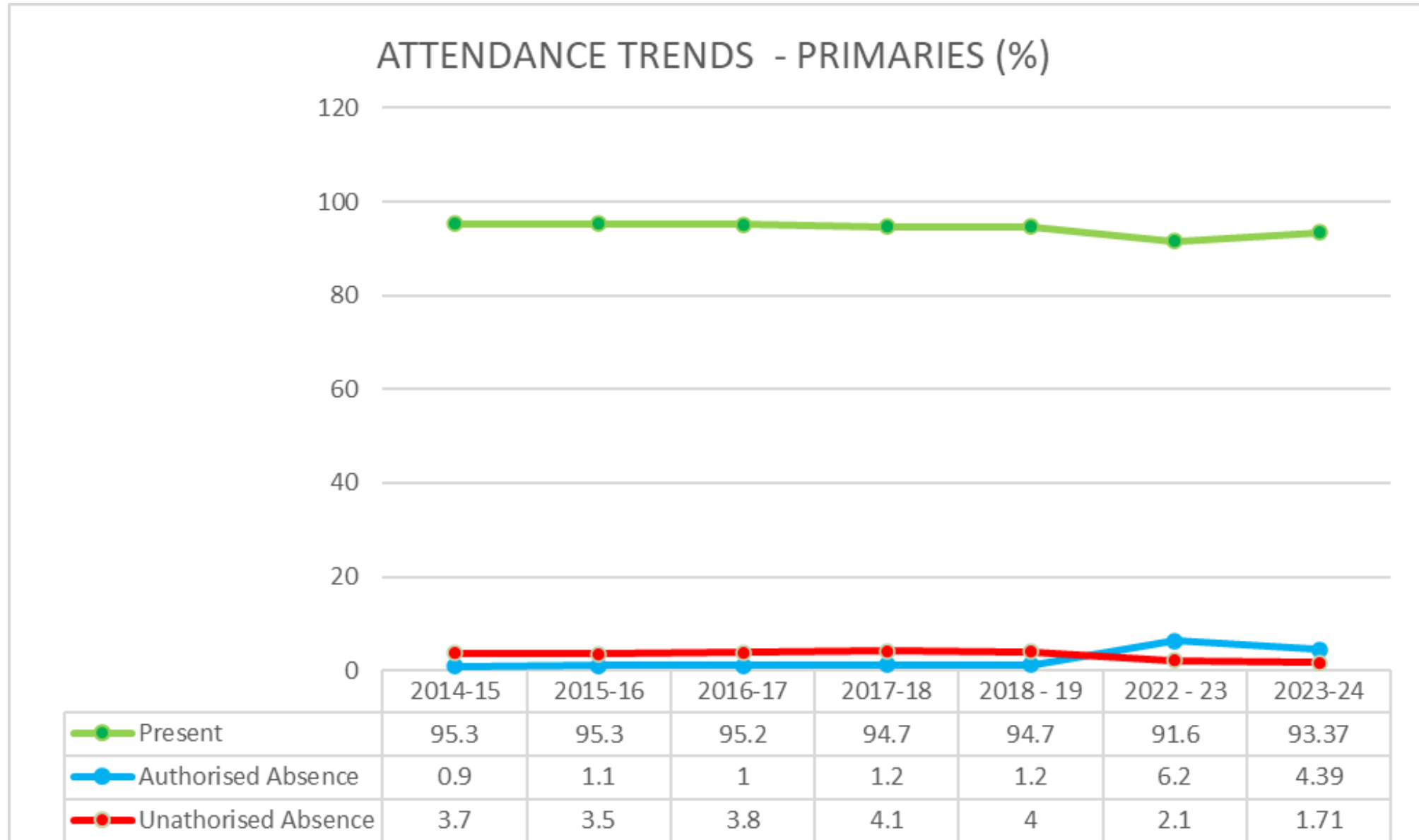
Current Trends

- At the end of 2022/23, Vale of Glamorgan was ranked joint 6th in Wales for overall school attendance with an attendance rate of 89%. The Welsh average for this year was 88.5%, and the LA in 1st position had an attendance rate of 90%.
- There has been an increase in the percentage of persistent absenteeism (attendance below 80%) since the beginning of the COVID pandemic. This increase can be attributed to several things including anxiety in returning to school following lockdown.
- The YTD data shows....

YTD Data – September 2023

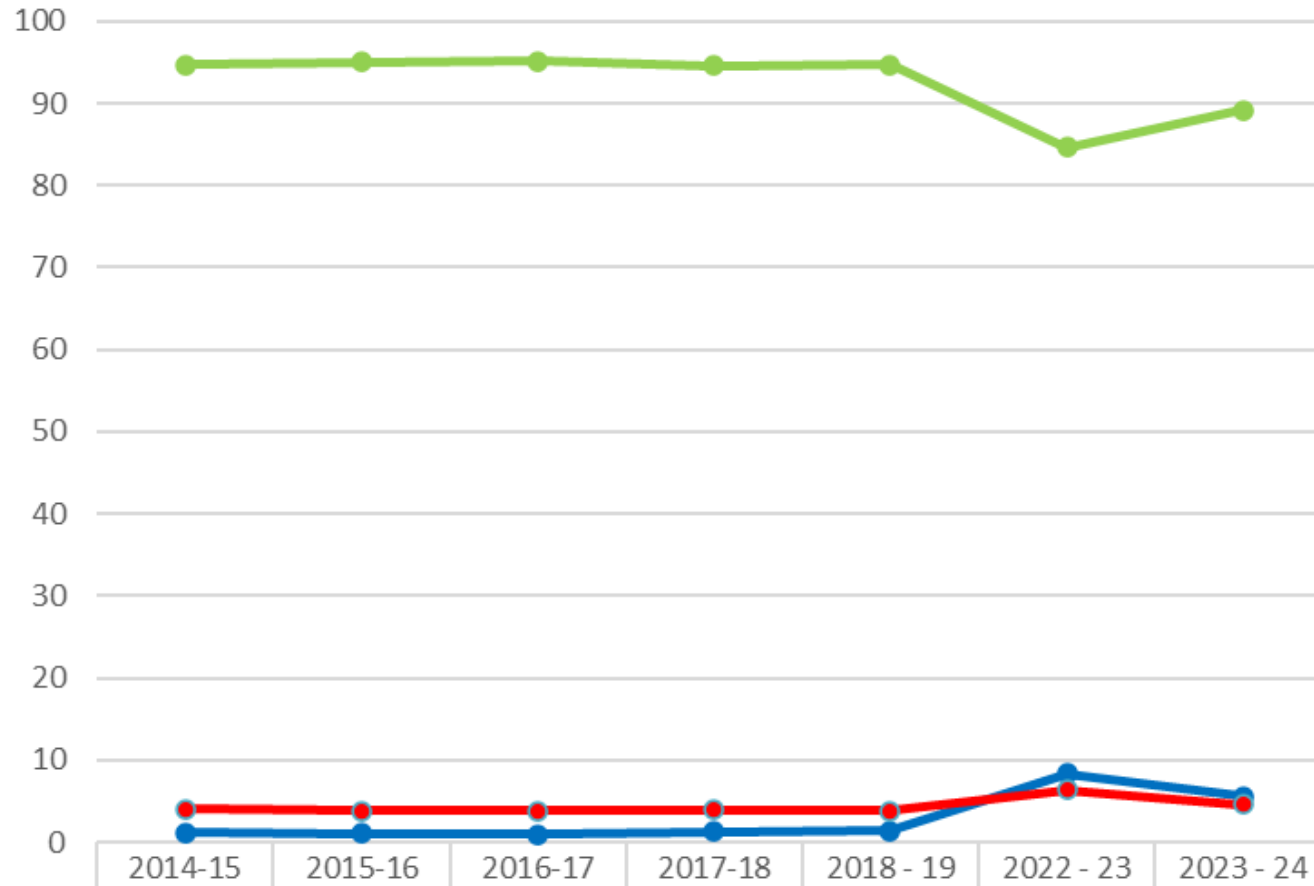


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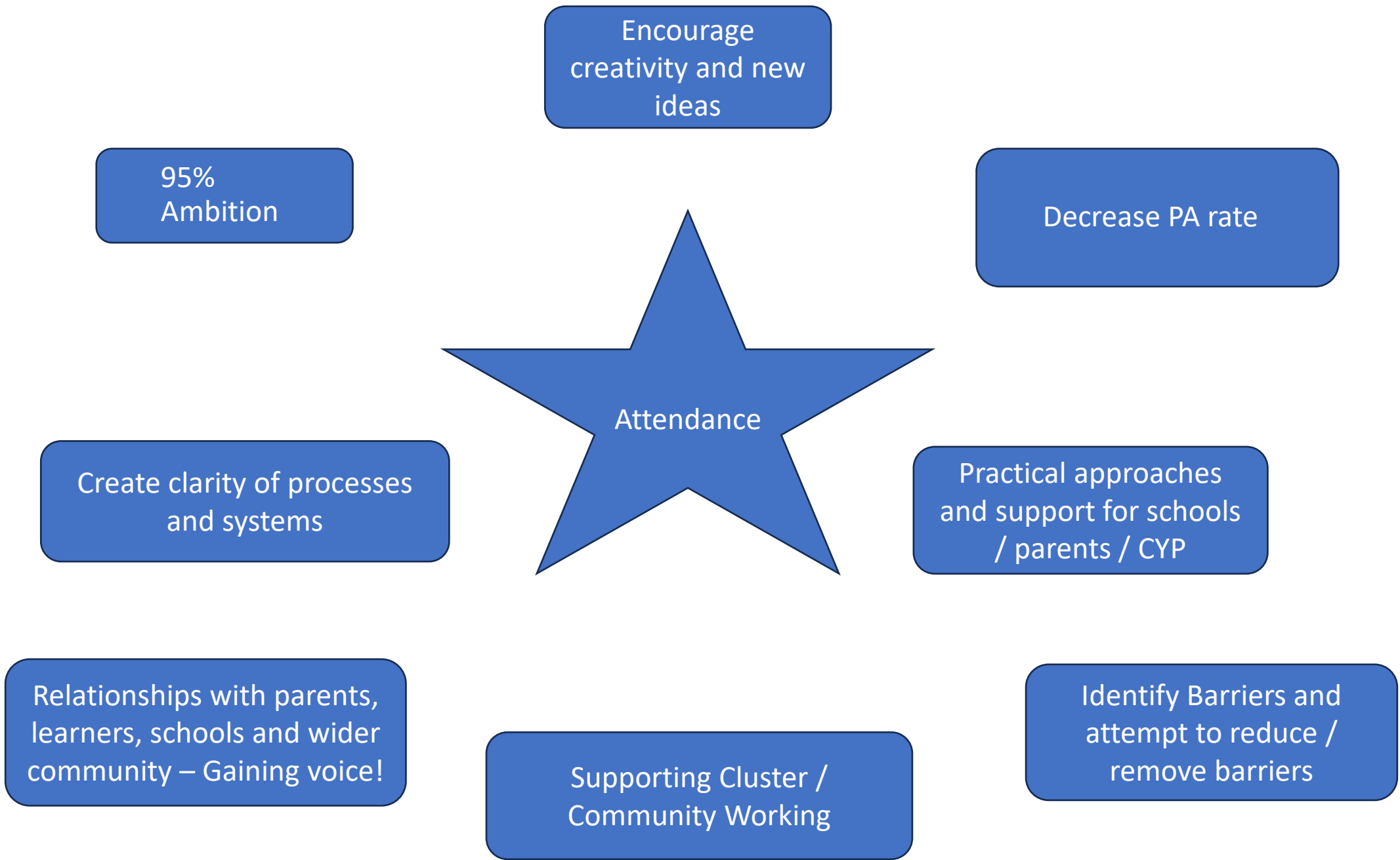


YTD Data – September 2023

ATTENDANCE TRENDS - SECONDARIES (%)



Present	94.7	95	95.1	94.6	94.7	84.6	89.18
Authorised Absence	1.2	1.1	1	1.3	1.4	8.4	5.65
Unauthorised Absence	4.1	3.8	3.9	4	3.9	6.4	4.58



- The #MissSchoolMissOut Campaign
- The Attendance Toolkit
- Partnership Audits with schools & Regular data meetings / Clinics
- Consult with school senior teams to consider culture and ethos, clarify current attendance graduated school response and understanding and use of FPNs / holiday authorisation etc and respond to these findings with support and training to enhance current provision
- Contacting other LAs in Wales and beyond, exploring research etc
- School attendance officer / leads forum across the Vale to establish a network of support and enhance knowledge and confidence of processes and procedures to enhance consistency and good practice.
- Create half termly electronic updates for school based Senior Leaders to remind of procedures, share good practice, highlight key contacts, signposting updates on training and support etc to keep momentum going.
- Supporting school pilot projects – E.g Walking bus etc
- Offer of workshops to access Parental Voice – Collect narrative
- PA workshops and engagement work with parents / Learner

