



16 September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Studybugs – report absence securely and help improve children's health.

We're pleased to inform you that SMRT has a more efficient and secure system for reporting your child's absence due to illness, in the Main School Years 7-11, called **Studybugs**.

Study bugs is a system that we are using solely for attendance, the app is easy to use and integrated into our Main School

Please note, that due to the nature of students' timetables in sixth form we are currently not able to use this service for sixth form students' absence.

Top 3 reasons to use Studybugs:

1. It's integrated with our systems, so we know right away if your child is unaccounted for.
2. It's quick and easy to register and use, automatically acknowledges receipt of your message and reminds you to keep us posted.
3. You'll be helping the NHS and other public health organisations improve children's health. (<https://studybugs.com/about/schools>)

If you haven't already, please get the free Studybugs as found via the QR code on the poster attached, or register on the Studybugs website <https://studybugs.com/about/parents>, and use it to tell us whenever your child's ill and unable to attend school.

Please note that you can still email or phone us regarding an absence; it is essential that we know a reason for absence as soon as possible.

Thank you,

**The Attendance Team
St Mary Redcliffe and Temple School**