

Example letter

Dear _____

I am a pupil in [school]. As you are my new MP, I wanted to tell you about an issue that is important to me.

We are often told that going to school everyday is important. I enjoy going to school because I learn a lot at school, and learning is important / I want to be a doctor one day so education is important / I enjoy making new friends and learning from others / I want to learn as much as I can about the world / I enjoy making art and playing sport / school is a safe place to learn and grow.

Did you know that a shocking one in five children are missing school / more children are missing out on school than before the pandemic / more children are finding it difficult to get to school?

There are lots of reasons why a child might not want to go to school. For example, they may be facing problems at home / feel worried about friendships and fitting in / are too hungry and can't afford lunch / don't have enough uniform / worry about their parents.

This means that some children might miss out on learning about their favourite subject / miss out on playing sport / have to catch up on missed lessons.

I'm sure you agree that going to school matters, so will you help more children go to school every day? An education charity, School-Home Support, helps children and their families solve the problems which can stop them wanting to go to school everyday. They are asking the Government to make sure children and families get support when they are missing school so they don't miss out.

I am writing to you to raise in Parliament why children need more help going to school every day, because going to school matters.

Yours sincerely,

Template letter

Dear _____

Introduce yourself: _____

Explain why going to school matters: _____

Use a statistic to show not every child can go to school everyday: _____

Explain why some children find it hard to go to school everyday: _____

What they might miss out on : _____

Use a persuasive device: _____

What you are asking the MP to do: _____

Yours sincerely,
