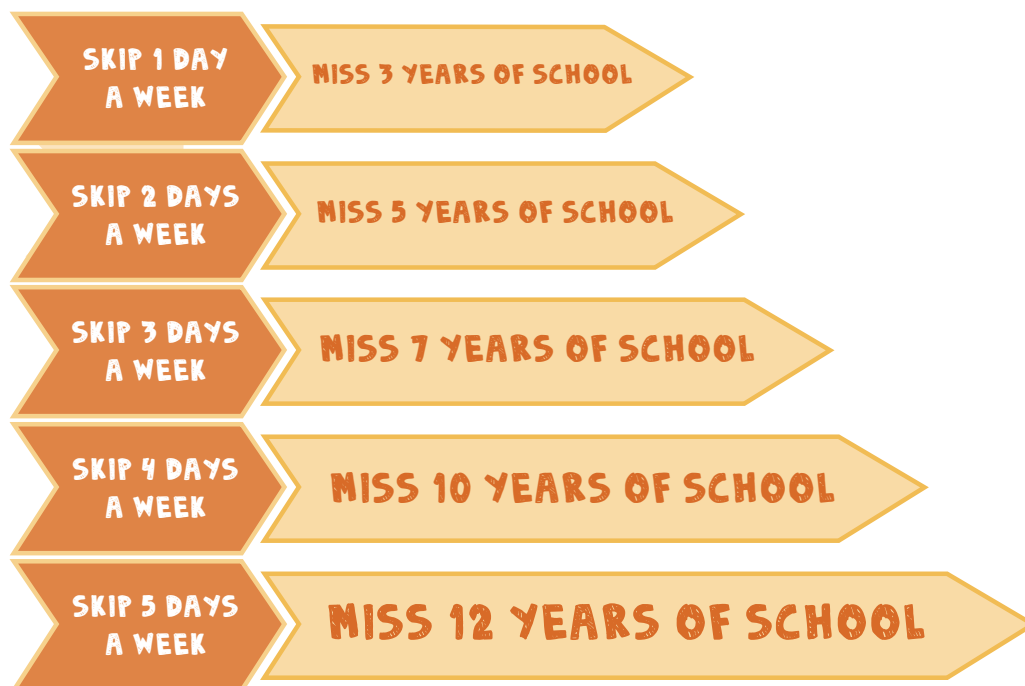


WHY TALKING ABOUT SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT

Students do better at school when their families and community talk about school and the importance of going every day. RSAS plays an important role in getting the school attendance message out there.

Students and families need to know that missing just one day of school a week can have a big impact. RSAS needs to let them know that every day missed adds up!



➤ **Talk to families, communities and service providers about why school attendance is important.**

- It is important people know why school attendance matters. You can help others understand by telling them:
 - Students in remote areas are going to school much less than students in cities. This means they are falling behind at school, do not do as well on tests and have less opportunities later in life.
 - If students go to school every day, they are more likely to graduate and may even go to university. Indigenous university graduates have greater success finding a full time job than non-Indigenous graduates.
 - Even when attendance is high for a school, we must keep working to make sure all students are going to school every day possible. RSAS needs help from the whole community and everyone must work together to make this happen.