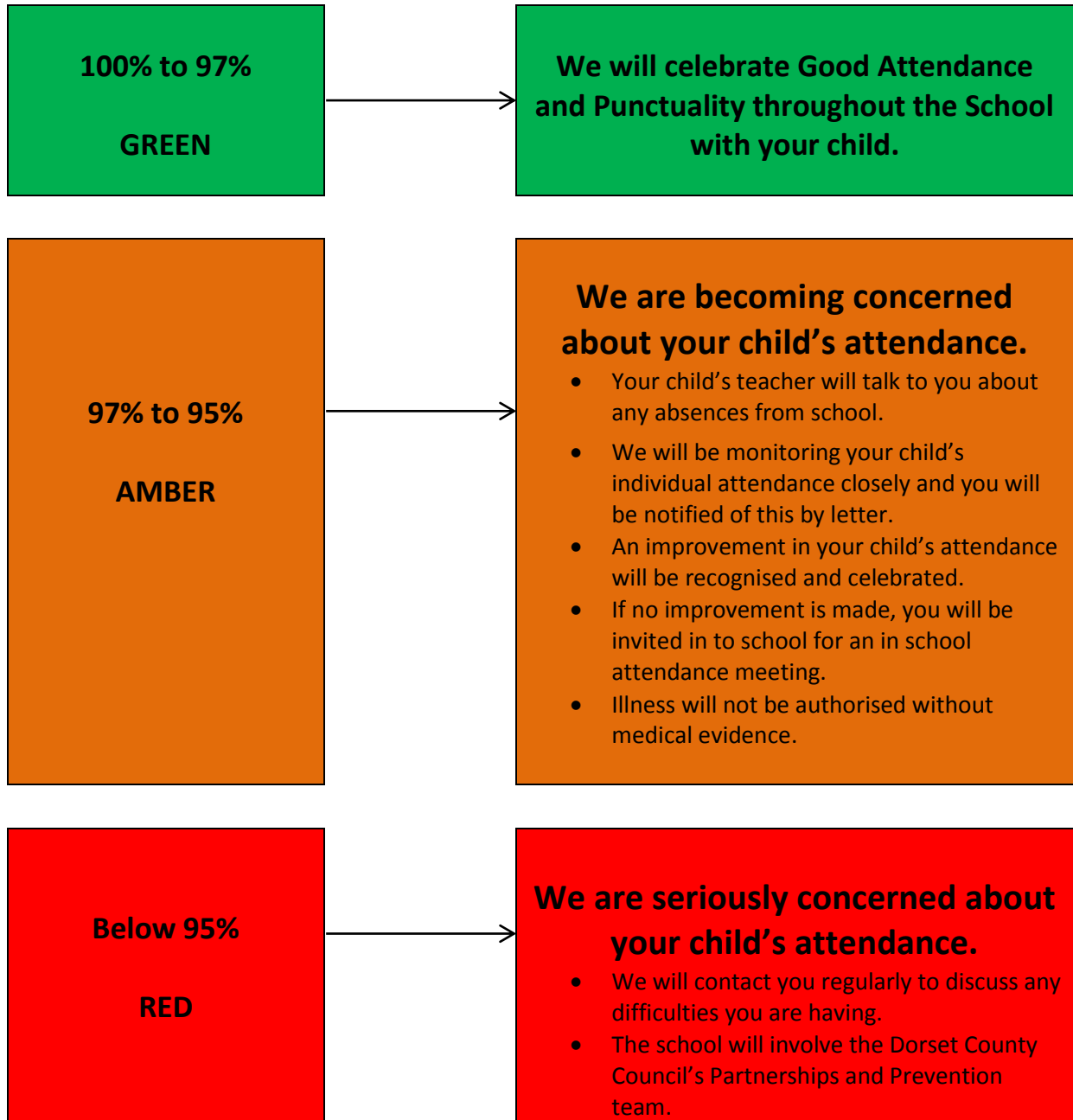


What will happen if your child's attendance falls?



If things do not improve, your child is at high risk of becoming a Persistent Absentee.

- If you do not engage with us or attendance does not improve, you may receive a Penalty Notice Warning Letter.
- Following this, if no improvement is made, you may be referred to the Dorset County Council's Partnerships and Prevention team and they will consider a Penalty Notice Fine or Prosecution.
- We may need to make a referral to social care for further support outside of school.
- You will appreciate that parents/carers have a legal responsibility to ensure that their child is receiving an education. Dorset County Council (DCC) advises us to inform you that parents/carers may be liable to prosecution under (s) 444 Education Act 1996 if they fail to ensure that a child of compulsory school age attends regularly at the school at which the child is registered.