

Example of Disability Living Allowance (DLA) care component eligibility when a child attends a residential school

In this example the child starts school in September, comes home every Friday night and goes back to school on Sunday.

Week	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Running total of complete days at school	DLA entitlement	Notes
Week 1	Home + travel to school	School	School	School	School	School + travel home	Home	4	Full care component	
Week 2	Home + travel to school	School	School	School	School	School + travel home	Home	8	Full care component	
Week 3	Home + travel to school	School	School	School	School	School + travel home	Home	12	Full care component	

Week 4	Home + travel to school	School	School	School	School	School + travel home	Home	16	Full care component	
Week 5	Home + travel to school	School	School	School	School	School + travel home	Home	20	Full care component	
Week 6	Half-term							20	Full care component	Only a break of 7 days so complete days at school before and after half-term are linked
	Home	Home	Home	Home	Home	Home	Home			
Week 7	Home + travel to school	School	School	School	School	School + travel home	Home	24	Full care component	
Week 8	Home + travel to school	School	School	School	School	School + travel home	Home	28	Full care component	28 days limit now reached
Week 9	Home + travel to school	School	School	School	School	School + travel home	Home	32	3/7 care component	Paid for 3 days at home
Week 10	Home + travel to school	School	School	School	School	School + travel home	Home	36	3/7 care component	Paid for 3 days at home

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