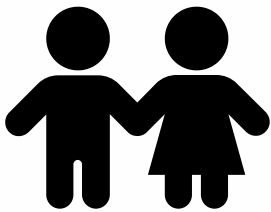


# PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ARE CHANGING.

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.**



## PER PARENT, PER CHILD FINE

Penalty Notice Fines will now be issued to each parent, for each child that is absent. **FOR EXAMPLE:** 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines



## 5 CONSECUTIVE DAYS OF TERM TIME LEAVE

The National Threshold for Penalty Notice Fines for term time leave will be for 5 or more consecutive days.



## 10 SESSIONS OF UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE IN A 10 WEEK PERIOD

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in any 10 week period.

## FIRST OFFENCE

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular attendance, the amount will be: £160 per parent, per child is paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80 per child, per parent is paid within 21 days.



## SECOND OFFENCE (within 3 years)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular attendance, the amount will be: £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.



## THIRD OFFENCE AND ANY FURTHER OFFENCES (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed for term time leave or irregular attendance, a Penalty Notice will not be issued. Instead, the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child. Cases found guilty in Magistrates Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.

