

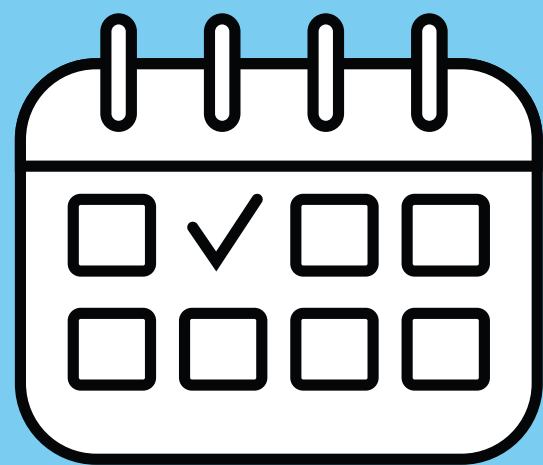
CHANGES TO SCHOOL ATTENDANCE PENALTY NOTICES

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period. This includes irregular attendance and holidays taken during term time.

First Penalty Notice

The first time a penalty notice is issued for term time leave or irregular absence the amount will be:

- £80 per parent per child (if paid within 21 days)
- £160 per parent per child (if paid within 28 days)



Second Penalty Notice (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 to be paid within 28 days (no reduced rate will be offered)

Third period of unauthorised absence and any further instances (within 3 years)

The third instance of term time leave or irregular attendance, a penalty notice will not be issued and 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 Courts can show on Parents future DBS certificates due to failure to safeguard a child's education.



**Changes apply for penalty notices
issued after 19th August 2024**