



ATTENDANCE

What do the new rules mean for me?

I'm a single parent and we want to go on holiday for a week.

Your holiday will not be authorised and you must talk to the school before you book anything.

Because your child will miss 5 days of school, you will be given a penalty notice fine.

The fine is £160 but if you pay in 21 days it will be reduced to £80.

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FOR EVERY CHILD A PENALTY IS GIVEN.



4 children and 1 parent = £640

Reduced to £320 if paid in 21 days.

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IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE

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in

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If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised, the school will consider prosecution.

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DAY =

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SESSIONS

FOR A FAMILY OF TWO PARENTS:



4 children and 2 parents = £1280

Reduced to £640 if paid in 21 days.

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If within a 3 year period, your child has a second and third leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance...



SECOND TIME

2 parents and:

- 1 child = £320
- 2 children = £640
- 3 children = £960
- 4 children = £1280

No discount for early payment.

THIRD TIME

A penalty fine will not be given - your case will be taken to court.

A magistrate can fine each parent £2500 per child.

1 parent and 4 children = £10,000

2 parents and 4 children = £20,000

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i For more information, visit:

gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance

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