

## PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ARE CHANGING

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after 19<sup>th</sup> August 2024.

### 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 if paid within 28 days.

Reduced to £80 per parent per child if paid within 21days.

### 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 to be paid within 28 days. No reduced rate will be offered.

### Third Offence

The third time an offence is committed for 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 Court can show on a Parents future DBS certificate, due to 'failure to safeguarding a child's education'.

### **10 SESSIONS (5 DAYS OF UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE IN A 10-WEEK PERIOD**

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

Please follow the link for the Publication that will start from the 19<sup>th</sup> August  
[www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance)