



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS EVERY DAY COUNTS

Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are Changing from:  
**19th August 2024.**

**Per Parent, Per Child**

All Attendance fines are issued to each parent and for every child.

**Penalty notices will be considered in the following time frames;**

- 5 consecutive days in term time
- 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period (1 session = 1/2 a school day)

**You can be fined if your child has the following unauthorised absences;**

- Being late after the register has closed
- Truancy
- Taking a holiday without permission from the school
- If a Headteacher/Principal isn't satisfied for the reason for missing school

**Over a rolling 3-year period (From 19th August 2024) the sanctions are:**

- 1st offence – £160 reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days
- 2nd offence – £160
- 3rd offence – Court hearing and up to £2,500 fine, or up to 3 months in prison and a criminal record.