



Notification of a pupil's leave of absence

Pupil name	
Year Group	
Date of first day of absence	AM or PM
Date of return to school	AM or PM
Number of school days that your child will be absent from school	

Time lost by children and young people due leave in term time can be disruptive to their education. Wherever possible, absence from school should be avoided as it can have a serious effect on your child's educational progress and can create difficulties for them on their return to school.

New guidance from the DfE removes the ability for parents to take their child out of school for an authorised term time holiday. There are new codes for the school register which make it clearer as to the reason for the absence. The registers are legal documents and school must use the codes correctly.

Please select:

G – Term Time Holiday	
C – Leave of Absence for exceptional circumstance, e.g. to attend the funeral/wedding of a family member.	
P - a sporting activity/competition that is approved by the HT	
Other	

Please detail the reason for requesting a leave of absence



I understand that if the absence request is unauthorised, the Local Authority may be notified and a penalty notice may be issued. I understand that a Penalty is issued to each parent for each child taken out of school. A penalty notice is charged at £160 if paid within 28 days. There is usually the opportunity to pay a reduced amount of £80 if paid within 21 days. I also understand that failure to pay a penalty notice will result in prosecution, except in limited circumstances.

Name(s) of Parent/Carer(s) making application

Dr/Mr/Mrs/Ms/	First name	Surname	
Signed		Date	

Dr/Mr/Mrs/Ms/	First name	Surname	
Signed		Date	

Please ensure you are giving at least 14 days' notice of the proposed absence; retrospective applications cannot be authorised.

A separate form should be completed for siblings attending Levens School who are also requesting authorised absence.

NB The maximum number of fixed penalty notices that can be issued to a parent in respect of a child is two within a rolling three year period. Should a further offence be committed in this time the LA will be required to consider alternative legal measures, including prosecution.

For school to complete:

AUTHORISED	
UNAUTHORISED	

Signature of Headteacher:	Date:

Parents/Carers will be informed of the outcome of this notification in writing by the headteacher within 14 days.

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