

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

