



NW/LR/Holidays

April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are increasingly being asked if we will authorise term time holidays for children to miss school. I do not wish to offend parents or carers, but school will not authorise term time holidays unless there are exceptional circumstances that are backed by clear evidence for the need for this to be taken in term time.

If holidays are taken, parents and carers will run a risk of a £160 fine for each parent for each child issued by Derby City Council. To date as a school we have submitted over 80 cases of unauthorised holidays and or attendance below 90% to Derby City Council.

Already this term, I've had five requests that we have had to decline in line with the government guidance on Attendance to school.

We hope you appreciate the school's position and the notice we are again providing to you.

Best regards

Neil Wilkinson
Executive Headteacher
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