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Dear Parent / Carer,

LEAVE OF ABSENCE (HOLIDAYS) IN TERM TIME

The Wolgarston Collaboration believe that the opportunity for your child to have access to a good education in school is very important to us all. Encouraging good attendance gives each pupil the best chance to learn and achieve to their full potential.

A recent court case which focused national attention on the fining of parents for taking their children on holidays in school term time has resulted in the county council reviewing the rules around unauthorised absence and issuing penalty notice to parents.

Headteachers will continue to review all requests for leave in term time and these will be monitored by the County Council. As a temporary measure when a child has more than 10 days or more unauthorised absence over two half terms in a row, then a penalty notice **may** be issued to the parent/carers of that child. This will be at the discretion of Staffordshire County Council.

If you have any questions with regards to this, please contact your Headteacher, or alternatively you can contact your Local Support Team, details of which can be found at www.staffordshire.gov.uk/LST.

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