



Application Form  
Leave of Absence during Term Time

In September 2013 there was an amendment to the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006 which prohibited the Headteacher of a school granting leave of absence for a pupil except *where an application is made in advance* and the Headteacher considers there are *exceptional circumstances* relating to the request. If a Headteacher authorises a leave of absence request, it will be his/her decision to determine the length of time that the child can be away from school. Should you wish to make a request, which must be made prior to the proposed leave; please complete the application below providing any additional evidence in support of the exceptional circumstances, together with details of why the leave cannot be taken during any school holiday period. Each request will be considered based on the information provided. Leave of absence is not an entitlement and will not be granted for the sole purpose of a family holiday.

1. To be completed by the parent or carer with whom the child normally resides			
School Name			
Name of Pupil		Class	
Address			
Dates Requested	From (1 <sup>st</sup> date of proposed absence)	To: (last date of absence)	Total School Days
Supporting Information and the reason for the leave of absence request			

Please do not make any arrangements until you have confirmed with the school that the leave of absence is granted

Please provide any details of any other siblings. A separate application form will be required for each child			
Child Name		School	
Child Name		School	
I can confirm that I am the parent or carer with whom the child listed in section 1 resides			
Signed		Please Print Name	
Date		Relationship to Child	

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School Response to Application for Leave of Absence During Term Time

Details of Application (to be completed by the school)		
Name of Pupil		
Address		
Name of the person requesting absence and relationship to child		
Dates Requested	From (1 <sup>st</sup> Date of proposed absence) To (last date of absence)	Total School Days

Decision following consideration of Application	
I have considered your application for leave of absence based on the information provided and my decision if confirmed below:	
<p>Authorised Absence <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>On this occasion I am <u>able</u> to authorise the leave of absence as I feel that the reasons provided are exceptional. The absence will be recorded on the school register as authorised.</p> <p>Signed:</p> <p>Printed:</p> <p>Position:</p>	<p>Unauthorised Absence <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>On this occasion I am <u>unable</u> to authorise the leave of absence as I do not consider the reason provided to be exceptional. Should you go ahead with the proposed leave, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised on the school register</p> <p>Signed:</p> <p>Printed:</p> <p>Position:</p>

If the leave of absence has not been authorised by the Headteacher the information will be submitted to the Education Inclusion Service who may issue a Penalty Notice or take other legal intervention if there are 10 or more consecutive or non-consecutive absence sessions (5 days). Penalty Notices were introduced as an alternative to prosecution but if they fail to act as a future deterrent, prosecution may be considered, rather than a further Penalty.

- If paid within 21 days the Penalty Notice is £60 per parent or carer, per child
- If paid after 21 days but within the 28days the Penalty Notice increased to £120 per parent or carer, per child
- If the Penalty Notice remains unpaid after 28 days this will result in prosecution

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