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Penalty notice fines for Unauthorised School Absence

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, which came into effect on the 19 August 2024 following publication of the DfE's [Working together to improve school attendance \(applies from 19 August 2024\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk) (publishing.service.gov.uk).

The full document can be accessed by clicking the link (above). The changes are summarised in the visual on a document attached with this letter.

I wish to stress that the changes are being applied to all schools across the country and we want to ensure that all parents understand the changes and the potential outcomes of unauthorised absence (including family holidays in term time) from school under the new guidance.

We are keen to work in collaboration with families to support children to achieve their full potential and to be in school as often as possible, so please contact us if you feel we could support your child's attendance in anyway.

Yours faithfully,
Mr A. Ratcliffe

