



Featherstone Pyramid

Term Time Holidays and Fixed Penalty Notices in Featherstone

Dear Parents/ Carers,

As term time holidays have become an issue in a number of schools in the Featherstone Pyramid, it has been decided that there will be a more consistent approach to address the issue within our pyramid of schools. This follows Local Authority and Government guidelines.

In all our schools, term time holidays have not been authorised for some time except in specific exceptional circumstances, eg families in the armed forces.

As of April 2012 if a pupil takes an unauthorised holiday in term time, the Educational Welfare Officer will be directed to issue a fixed penalty notice. The fixed penalty fine is £50 per parent per child if paid within 28 days. This would rise to £100 if paid in 42 days and could lead to further proceedings if unpaid. An example of this would be a fine for a family of two children would be £200, rising to £400 if not paid straight away.

This is included in the new Attendance Policy agreed by all Governing Bodies of Featherstone Schools. Copies of the policy are available from all schools on request.

Yours sincerely

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