

Application for Leave of Absence from School



Allenbourn
MIDDLE SCHOOL

Dear Parent/Carer

Please consider the following before submitting your request for leave:

In line with amendments to the Education [Pupil Registration] [England] Regulations 2006, from September 2013, the school cannot grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances; holiday requests do not fall into this category and will not be approved as authorised absence.

Our Local Authority has issued us with the following guidance:

Dorset County Council Children's Services Directorate, fully supports schools in expecting parents and carers to make sure that children and young people attend school on a regular basis. Any time away from school can have a significant impact on educational attainment, success in life after school and longer term health and well-being. Dorset County Council will be supporting all schools in ensuring the law is upheld. In law, parents and carers are committing an offence if they fail to ensure the regular punctual attendance of their children at school. Therefore any unauthorised absence, such as taking holidays in term time, can result in a Penalty Notice. Failure to pay a Penalty Notice may result in a criminal conviction and a fine in the Magistrates Court.

If, after carefully considering all of the above, you still wish to request permission for your child to be absent from school, please complete all the details and submit the application with a covering letter and any supporting documents. Please note that your application will not be considered unless a letter is provided.

Yours sincerely

Mr Luke Smith - Deputy Headteacher

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Name of child/ren:

Tutor Group:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

First day of absence: ____/ ____/ ____

Last day of absence: ____/ ____/ ____

I enclose a covering letter with this application, explaining why this absence can only be arranged during term time.

The number of days I am requesting on this application is:

Name of Parent/Carer: _____

Signed _____ Parent / Carer

Date _____

Office use only:

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Notes:

Total days authorised:

Total days unauthorised:

Signed _____ Headteacher

Date _____