# PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ARE CHANGING!

The **new National Framework for Penalty Notices** will come into force for unauthorised term time leave or irregular attendance after **19th August 2024**.

(<u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance</u>)

#### **First Offence:**

£160 per parent, per child to be paid within 28 days.

Reduced to £80, per parent, per child, if paid within 21 days

#### **Second Offence:**

Within 3 years of the first offence: £160 per parent, per child to be paid within 28 days. No reduction for early payment.

### **Third Offence:**

Within 3 years of the first offence:

Case presented directly to the Magistrates' Court

Fines up to £2,500 per parent, per child

Possible criminal record if found guilty

## Remember

Penalty notices will be considered for unauthorised absences of 10 sessions (5 days) in 10 weeks