

From this coming September (2013) the Government has changed the regulations about attendance and requests for leave of absence from school. New forms have been prepared which reflect the new legislation. When deciding whether to allow term time leave, for any reason, the school will consider:

- Whether or not the request falls into the "exceptional circumstances " category
- The time and duration of the leave
- Your child's record of attendance
- Learning that will be missed

The Education (Pupil Registration) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 will come into force on the 1 September 2013. The amendments make it clear that Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are **exceptional circumstances**. Head Teachers should determine the number of school days a child can be away from school if the leave is granted.

Every school day counts

175 non-school days in a year- to spend on family time - visits , holidays, shopping, household jobs, medical and other appointments					
190 school days in each year 190 days for your child's education	180 days of education	171 days of education	161 days of education	152 days of education	143 Days of education
100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%
Good Best chance of success. Gets your child off to a flying start		Worrying Less chance of success. Makes it harder to make progress		Serious Concern Not fair on your child. The LA may take legal action	