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Dear Parents and Carers,

With the holiday season approaching I would just like to take this opportunity to make you aware that it is the policy of the Bradgate Education Partnership not to authorise any holiday requests during term time. We are obliged to notify the Local Authority of any holidays of more than five days.

Please be aware of this possible additional cost when you are considering taking a holiday in term time.

What happens if I choose to take my child on holiday during term time?

1. All holidays will be put down on the register as an 'unauthorised absence'. As a school we are obliged to act on a pupil's attendance where it falls below 95%. Attendance falls below 95% if a pupil has more than 10 school days off each academic year.
2. Parents who take their children out of school for a holiday of five days or more may be fined by the Local Authority.

How much is the fine?

1. The fine is £60 per child taken per adult, so if a family of four take a holiday in term time and there are two adults and two children, the total fine would be **£240**, payable within 21 days. This will double if the fine is unpaid and could eventually lead to a fine of £1000 if it continues to be unpaid.

It is important that your child comes to school all the time, if they miss a week of learning it may:

- affect their motivation
- affect their enjoyment of learning
- lead to poor behaviour
- affect their desire to attend school regularly
- affect their confidence in school
- miss out on the social life of school and extra-curricular opportunities and experiences
- affect their ability to have or keep friendships.

Yours sincerely,

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