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Dear Parents/Carers

You may already be aware from coverage in the national press that the Department For Education have issued guidance on term-time holidays. These changes make it very clear that Head teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

At Stoke Park we have always stressed the importance of excellent attendance and we have worked hard to improve this year on year. Attendance is closely linked to students' attainment and them achieving their potential.

We would ask for your support in no longer requesting holidays in term time. Penalty notices with fines attached can now be issued where family holidays or leave of absence are taken without permission.

Hopefully, with your support, we will not have to resort to this.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Sue Jones

Head Teacher