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Dear Parents/Carers

Attendance Policy- update June 2017

We would like to bring to your attention the updated Attendance Policy for Dorset Schools within our Trust. Following the recent Supreme Court hearing regarding attendance, we would like to clarify our position.

Our expectation is that pupils should attend school every day for every session. We believe that regular uninterrupted attendance secures the best possible learning achievement for all our children and we are committed to working in partnership with families to achieve this.

Should a child have 10 or more half days of unauthorised absence within a 12 school week period a Penalty Notice could be issued.

We appreciate your support, so that we can improve educational outcomes for all children. Please see attached attendance guidance as a reminder of our policy.

Yours sincerely,

Miss P. Davies
Attendance Lead/Deputy Headteacher