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Newsletter

We have been sent additional information regarding Extended Leave from Lancashire County Council to share with all parents and carers-

From 01/01/2025, the following rules will apply:

- 1. Unauthorised leave less than 15 school days:** penalty notice issued
- 2. Unauthorised leave of 15 school days or more:** the Local Authority will review any requests for penalty notices and may **prosecute** parents and not offer the opportunity to pay a penalty notice fine instead.

Where enough notice is given for a warning to be issued, and a request made is for 3 weeks (15 school days) or more out of school, the Local Authority may issue you with a warning explaining that you will not have the opportunity to pay a fine and that you will be prosecuted if the leave is still taken. Even if the authority doesn't send you a warning letter, you can still be prosecuted for the offence as there is no legal entitlement to a warning or a penalty notice.

Failure to ensure your child's regular attendance at school is a criminal offence, and this means that if you are convicted, this could result in **a fine of up to £2,500 and you will have a criminal record.**

Parking

If you drive to school, please could we ask that you drive carefully around the school and park considerately to bring your children in. There should be **no parking or stopping at all** on the yellow zigzags, thank you.

Year 6 Hothersall Lodge

Letters were sent out before Christmas regarding the Hothersall Lodge Residential Trip for Year 6 children. If you would like your child to attend, please return the slip and deposit as soon as possible as places are limited, thank you. It's a fantastic experience for all the children.

Nut Free School

Children are still bringing products containing nuts in to school, despite **MANY** reminders that we have people in school with severe nut allergies. Please ensure **YOU**, as a parent/carer check what you send in for snack or lunch **VERY CAREFULLY**. I cannot stress enough that I took the decision to become a completely nut free school because of the risk to life and not because I wanted to be a pain!! Please respect this rule – it is there for a VERY good reason.

