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## Newsletter

*We are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.*  
Ephesians 2 v 10

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back!

There is something very satisfying about family coming together after a period of absence. A chance to catch up, renew old friendships, make new acquaintances, learn new things and embrace fellowship. This school is meant to have children in it, they are its purpose and we couldn't be happier seeing them in their smart uniforms, wearing their happy smiles. Our new early years intake will join us from next week, as they gradually build up to a full day.

There are so many exciting things happening this year and we can't wait!

Over the summer break, there have been extensive works at school - notably commencement of a new kitchen, the front of the school has had a makeover, the year one classrooms have been painted and have got new hard flooring and a new castle has been built in the Harbour.

### **Worship**

You matter! That's the message. God knows every hair on our head. He loves us, because He made us. Every one of us matters, we all have a part to play no matter how big or small. In 1962, President John F. Kennedy visited NASA for the first time. During his tour of the facility, he met a janitor who was carrying a broom down the hallway. The President then casually asked the janitor what he did for NASA, and the janitor replied, "I'm helping put a man on the moon." We all need each other and our unique talents are important. I shared the book '[You are Special](#)' by Max Lucado with the children this week. It is a beautiful book with a wonderful message about a maker who knows all of His creations and cares deeply about them. You are special indeed!

### **New Parents**

The church will be open for all new parents on the morning of Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet other new parents who may be having similar feelings and experiences. The church is always open to you and there will be free coffee and biscuits too! Just pop in after drop off in the morning.

### **PE Days**

This year, our PE team has grown and children will be taught by Mrs Finnigan, Mr Battams, Mrs Pine and Miss Janaskova. All children must wear their PE kit all day on their PE day. Your child's PE days will be:

- Tuesdays – Early Years
- Wednesday – Year 1 and Year 4
- Thursdays – Year 2 and 5
- Fridays – Year 3 and Year 6



## Meet The Teacher/Year Group Information Evening

On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September there will be a chance for you to come into school and meet your child's teacher for this year in their new classroom. This will also be an information sharing evening with important information regarding school trips, projects, homework, reading books and much more. There are two sessions; one at 3.20pm and another at 4.20pm. They will last approximately 30 minutes. Your child can accompany you if childcare is an issue. We will share the presentations on the website afterwards on your child's year group page.



## Harvest Carnival - October 3rd

We are going large on Harvest Festival this year, turning it into a Harvest Carnival. This will be a non-uniform day, where your child can come in dressed as a fruit of vegetable! There will be prizes – get thinking. The Bishop of Southampton is attending our services (rumour has it he is a big Supertato fan!) Times and details to follow. Everyone welcome.



## Uniform

We are delighted to see so many of you in smart uniform. There is no official ruling, but the guidelines for summer and winter uniform is defined by October half term and Easter holidays, but we live in a wonderfully unpredictable climate, so this is not a hardened rule.

We also know how much uniform costs, and how frustrating it is when we lose jumpers and cardigans, as well as growing children! We do have our second hand uniform regularly on sale, for a fraction of the price of Stevensons. We will let you know when the PSA are having another sale.

Please do try to follow our [uniform policy](#), including PE kit on PE days. We are proud to be part of the St. James' family and our uniform is very much part of that identity. Look smart, work smart!



## Road Closure and Temporary Traffic Lights

Essential gas main replacements are taking place. **Clarence Park Road** is going to be closed 9th September until the 18th October. **Southbourne Road** and **Southville Road** is going to be closed 23rd September until the 29th November. Please plan your route to school accordingly.



## Key Dates

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September** – New Parent's Coffee Morning from 8.30am - church

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September** – Clubs Start

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September** – Parent Information Evenings 3.20pm and 4.20pm – classrooms

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September** – Whole School Flu Immunisation - separate email sent with information

**Thursday 3rd October** - Harvest Carnival

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October** – Frazer Portraits Individual Photos

**Saturday 9th November** - Open Morning - 10am - noon

**Tuesday 19th November** - Pavilion Carol Concert - Glee Club

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November** – School Open Evening/Book Look – 3.15pm – 4.15pm

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November** – Online Parent Consultation Evening – 4pm – 7pm

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November** - Online Parent Consultation Evening – 3.30pm – 6pm



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## Extra-Curricular Clubs

You should all have received information about our club provision this term via email/Arbor. **You can sign up from 9am tomorrow morning online.**

EYFS children will start clubs in the new year.

We will be offering up to 20 places for a sailing club from October. This will be for children in upper Key Stage 2 who are proficient swimmers – more information to follow.

Our external clubs, Zumba and Karate still have places available. Please get in touch with them direct if you'd like to sign your child/children up. Details at the end of this newsletter.



## Music Lessons

Today we have had a fantastic demonstration for KS2 from our potential new flute teacher, Hannah! We still have spaces for flute and guitar lessons so please sign up as per the instructions below:

### Guitar/Ukelele lessons with Mr Lovell

Individual 20 minute lesson £12

Shared 30 minute group lesson £9

Please sign up via Arbor

### Flute/Clarinet/Saxophone with Miss Gobbett

Individual 20 minute lesson £12

Shared 20 minute lesson £6

Sign up directly with Miss Gobbett via attached information at end of this newsletter.

Flute years 3, 4, 5 and 6 / Clarinet years 4, 5 and 6 / Saxophone years 5 and 6.

In some circumstances, instruments can be hired from the teachers so that children can try lesson before making an expensive purchase.

In the event that there are not enough spaces, priority will be given to continuing students first. **If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium, please contact the school office as we may be able to support with some fees**



## Attendance

Attendance in school is proven to be crucial to wellbeing as a child and as an adult and, at St. James', we want to do all that we can to encourage parents and children that children need to be in school. We try to provide an exciting curriculum and experiences that children will not want to miss. From September, there is a new national threshold for attendance fines and we are attaching a letter from BCP explaining the changes.

National Threshold - there will be a single consistent national threshold for when a penalty notice must be considered by all schools in England of 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 school days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10 school week period. For example, a 5 day holiday would meet the national threshold. The 10 school week period can span different terms or school years.

**Please note that late arrivals after the register has closed count as an unauthorised absence for attendance purposes.**

We do understand that there are occasions when children are too ill for school, or a family emergency that results in a late arrival. We will always seek to work together with you and provide support to improve attendance wherever we can, but the new strategy will mean that fines will be issued for unauthorised absence other than in exceptional circumstances. We are currently building an attendance page on our website where you will be able to find further information and channels of support. If you are struggling, please let us know so that we can work together. Attendance matters.

As always, please check our website for your child's learning and important information on the year group pages. This will be your first point of access with any news and events. You can also see pictures and news on our social media accounts (Facebook and Instagram), follow us to find out more about the amazing things happening at St. James'. Also, please follow our Stjames\_pe Instagram site.

**Alastair Brown**  
**Headteacher**

*Learning as a family in Jesus, through Love, Hope and Forgiveness. Matthew 19:26 "with God all things are possible."*

*'The school's values are firmly rooted in the Christian ethos of the school. Pupils know why learning through 'love, hope and forgiveness' matters. They make clear links with these values and the school rules to 'be ready, be respectful and be safe'. Leaders have high expectations for behaviour, and pupils live up to them. In lessons, pupils listen carefully and are keen to learn. As a result, they achieve well.'* **Ofsted report, January 2023.**

*'Every pupil and adult flourishes within the family at St. James'.* SIAMS report June 2022.



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# ST. JAMES' CE PRIMARY ACADEMY - EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS



AUTUMN TERM 2024 W/C 16th September - W/C 9th December 3.15pm - 4.15pm

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Breakfast 7.40am -8.25am				<b>Breakfast Drawing and Colouring Club</b>  Miss Daw/Miss Wingate Reception Classrooms This club is for years 1 and 2 only, maximum of 15 children	<b>Breakfast Karate***</b>  Danny (external club) Hall Details sent on separate email
				<b>Tap Lessons</b> (must provide own tap shoes)  Miss Lunn Studio This club is for years 4, 5 & 6 maximum of 15 children	
Lunchtime Clubs	<b>Lunchtime Library Club</b> (12:30pm - 12:55pm) Mrs Allery /Mrs Jacobs Library This club is for years 1 - 6, maximum of 30 children	<b>Lunchtime Bible Club</b> (12:00pm - 12:30pm) Mrs Fakorede Mediterranean Class This club is for years 4, 5 and 6, maximum of 10 children			
After School Clubs 3.15pm - 4.15pm	<b>Team Netball</b>  Mrs Stopler Playground Trials will be held, children will be invited. Years 4, 5 and 6 only	<b>Team Football</b>  Mrs Finnigan/Mr Battams Mrs Pine King's Park Trials will be held, children will be invited. Years 5 and 6 only	<b>Team Athletics</b>  Mrs Stopler/Miss Janaskova Playground Trials will be held, children will be invited. Years 4, 5 and 6 only	<b>Flag Football</b>  Mr Battams/Mr Lillis King's Park This club is for years 5 and 6 only, maximum of 24 children	
	<b>Gymnastics***</b>  Leanne (external club) Hall This club is for years 1, 2 and 3 only, maximum 25 children	<b>Zumba***</b>  Kat (external club) Hall Details sent on separate email, this club is for years 3 and 4	<b>Glee Club</b>  Mrs Dodd/Mrs Uzzell Hall This club is for years 4, 5 and 6 only, maximum 50 children	<b>Volleyball</b>  Miss Janaskova Hall This club is for years 4 and 5 only, maximum 16 children	<b>Futsal</b>  Mrs Pine Hall This club is for years 1 and 2 only, maximum 16 children
		<b>Football Club***</b>  Aspire (external club) Playground This club is for years 1 and 2 only, maximum of 30 children	<b>Running Club (Couch to 2k)</b> with an aim to run in the Bournemouth Marathon Weekend  Miss Perry/Mr Battams King's Park This club is for years 3, 4 and 5 only, maximum of 20 children	<b>Football Club***</b>  Aspire (external club) Playground This club is for years 3 and 4 only, maximum 30 children	
		<b>Lego Club</b>  Mrs Garmson/Miss Kinzett Reception Classrooms This club is for years 1 and 2 only, maximum of 20 children	<b>Cheerleading</b>  Mrs Finnigan/Miss Hartley Collection from hall This club is for years 3, 4 and 5 only, maximum of 16 children	<b>Adventure Club</b>  Mr Dodd Studio This club is for years 5 and 6 only, maximum 10 children	
		<b>Times Tables Rock Stars</b>  Miss Finnigan/Mrs Povey Year 3 Classrooms This club is for years 3 and 4 only, maximum of 20 children		<b>Dance Club</b>  Mrs Stoodley/Miss Pain Year 1 Classrooms This club is for years 1 and 2 only, maximum of 20 children	
		<b>Computer Club</b>  Mrs Clark/Miss Martin Atlantic/Galilee Classroom This club is for years 3 and 4 only, maximum of 20 children		<b>First Aid Club</b>  Mrs Finnigan/Mrs Povey Collection from hall This club is for years 4, 5 and 6 only, maximum of 20 children	<b>***External Paid For Clubs</b>



# St. James' Church of England Primary Academy

## Term Dates 2024-2025

### AUTUMN TERM

Inset Day	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2024
Inset Day	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
First Day	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September
Half Term	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November
Last Day	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December (finish at 1.20pm)

### SPRING TERM

Inset Day	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025
First Day	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February
Last Day	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April (finish at 1.20pm)
Inset Day	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April

### SUMMER TERM

First Day	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April
Bank Holiday	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May
Half Term	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May – 30 <sup>th</sup> May
Inset Day	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June
Last Day	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July (finish at 1.20pm)



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## Term Dates 2025-2026

### **AUTUMN TERM**

Inset Day	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025
Inset Day	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> September
Inset Day	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> September
First Day	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> September
Half Term	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October
Last Day	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December (finish at 1.20pm)

### **SPRING TERM**

Inset Day	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026
First Day	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2026
Half Term	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February
Last Day	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March (finish at 1.20pm)

### **SUMMER TERM**

First Day	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026
Bank Holiday	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May
Half Term	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May – 29 <sup>th</sup> May
Inset Day	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026
Last Day	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July (finish at 1.20pm)



**Sunday 15th September**  
**3.30pm – 5pm**

**Join us at St. Saviours Church,**  
**(32 Colemore Road, BH7 6RZ)**  
**for plenty of fun as we return**  
**from our Summer break!**

**Crafts**  
**Bouncy Castle**  
**Scavenger Hunt**  
**Cafe**  
**Story and songs!**

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**AFTER SCHOOL CLUB FOR Y2-Y5**

**Tuesday 3:15-4:15pm.**

**KATE**  
**Certified Zumba Instructor**  
**07749611904**

**Starting 17th of September 2024**  
**£27,50 per term (11 classes)**

**Classes details and registration to email below**

**lysa2006.kg@gmail.com**





The "Sport Karate" classes will be re-starting on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at St James Primary school. At this time, we will be welcoming new beginners and existing students from Years 2 – 6. If this is not convenient, please note that we also offer external classes. [www.sekf.co.uk](http://www.sekf.co.uk)

The award-winning classes which have been featured by the BBC and Meridian TV on several occasions will be run by Collin Rudkin, 7<sup>th</sup> Dan Black Belt, ex-England international and his team of instructors.

All the SEKF instructors are enhanced DBS checked and have attended child safe - guarding / first aid courses and continue to update on a regular basis.

Sport Karate is an exciting and dynamic way of keeping fit, improving coordination whilst gaining self-confidence.

In keeping with the school's Ethos, Collin Rudkin, and his team of Instructors, encourage a positive attitude and respect for others.

**Time:** 7.30am – 8.30am  
**At:** Sports Hall  
**Clothing:** Sports-Kit / Karate suit

**Cost for new members:** £27.00 (September) Then monthly Standing Order £40.00 starting 1<sup>st</sup> October.

Please message the details requested to Sensei Collin Rudkin and make payment to the bank account below using your child's name and school code SJS as Reference prior to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September to reserve your child's place for this popular class. Parents will receive confirmation prior to the class starting and will be offered a refund if their child does not wish to continue after the first lesson or if the class is full.

**Information required.**

Student Name: School attending: Class name / Year group

**Cost for Existing members:** £40.00 Monthly fee (Includes Saturday course)

Existing students are guaranteed their place and do not need to confirm if payment is made via Standing Order for the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.

If you have any further enquiries, please contact Sensei Collin: 07966 303 585

**Payment details: Name:** Freestyle Combat Karate  
**Account No:** 50134759 **Sort Code:** 20-68-79

Miss H. Gobbett  
BMus (Hons) DipABRSM  
hannahgobbett@gmail.com  
07858965156

### Instrumental Lesson Application Form 2024/25

Pupil Name			
Date of Birth		School Year in Sept 2024	
School			
Any relevant medical information or any learning needs			

Parent/Guardian Name			
Email	<b>Please write very clearly</b>		
Phone			
Home Address			

Instrument	Clarinet/Saxophone/Flute
	Will you need to hire an instrument? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Lesson Length	Please indicate your preferred lesson type below. <input type="checkbox"/> 20 minute individual lesson £11.67 <input type="checkbox"/> 20 minute shared lesson £5.84

#### Declaration

I have read, and agree to comply with the terms and conditions as outlined on the following page.

Parent/Carer signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Terms and Conditions

### Lessons

I aim to provide 30 lessons per academic year. The number of lessons per term will vary according to the term length.

### Payment

Payment can be made on a half termly or termly basis, and is due within the first two weeks of each half term/term. I will email you the amount owing at the start of each term.

### Absence

If I am unable to teach a lesson I will aim to re-schedule within the term. If this is not possible, I will either offer a refund or credit the lesson to the following term.

If a pupil is absent without 24 hours notice, the lesson is forfeited. 24 hours notice is due if a lesson is going to be missed and I will try to re-schedule the lesson or credit/refund it.

In the case of group lessons, if a single pupil is absent from a lesson for whatever reason, I regret that no credit can be made. If a whole group is unable to attend a lesson, I require 24 hours notice as detailed above.

### Cancellations

If a pupil wishes to stop their lessons, you must give two weeks notice. If notice is not given within this time, a two week cancellation fee will be payable.

### Cooling Off Period

You have a legal right to cancel this application if you change your mind or decide for any other reason that you do not want to proceed with lessons. Your cooling off period starts from the date of this application and ends 14 days later. To cancel the application, you should inform me by email [hannahgobbett@gmail.com](mailto:hannahgobbett@gmail.com)

### Safeguarding

As a member of ISM (Independent Society of Musicians), I comply with the ISM's Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy, ISM Safeguarding Code of Practice and ISM Member's Code of Practice, which are available to read on from [www.ism.org/about/safeguarding](http://www.ism.org/about/safeguarding)

### Data Protection

Please note that I only keep the above personal information to contact you regarding your child's music lessons. If you would like to read my full privacy statement, please tick here:



Dear Parent/Carer,

You may have recently heard about the changes to 'holiday fines'. BCP Council, in partnership with your child's school, would like to take the opportunity to update you on the changes that the Department for Education have made, and why they are happening.

Every moment in school counts and days missed add up quickly. Evidence shows that pupils who have good attendance enjoy better wellbeing and school performance than those who don't.

There are only a few circumstances where a child is allowed to miss school, such as illness or where the school has given permission because of an exceptional circumstance.

However, if your child misses school without a good reason, local councils and schools can intervene and you may be issued a fine.

We're also introducing a new national framework which will mean all councils have the same rules in place for when they need to consider a fine. We explain more on this below.

It's important to acknowledge that children with long-term medical or more serious mental health conditions, and those with special educational needs and disabilities may face additional barriers.

For children who face complex barriers to attendance, schools should have sensitive conversations with children and families and work with them to put support in place for their individual needs.

#### **How much could I be fined if my child misses school?**

In the majority of cases, schools and local authorities will try and provide support to help you improve your child's attendance first, but if

this isn't effective or the absence is for unauthorised term time holiday, parents may face paying a fine.

Currently, it's the responsibility of the local authority to decide when to issue fines to parents, meaning the process varies from council to council.

However, under the new national framework, all schools will be required to consider a fine when a child has missed 10 or more sessions (5 days) for unauthorised reasons.

From August 2024, the fine for school absences across the country will be **£80 if paid within 21 days, or £160 if paid within 28 days**.

This rate is in line with inflation and is the first increase since 2012.

In the case of repeated fines, if a parent receives a second fine for the same child within any three-year period, this will be charged at the higher rate of £160.

Fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action like a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

If you're prosecuted and attend court because your child hasn't been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500.

We have attached a diagram to this letter to better explain this.

Money raised via fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.

#### **How can you be sure parent fines are fair?**

Fines are a last resort, and parents will be offered support to help improve their child's attendance first. The vast majority of fines for unauthorised absence (89%) are issued for term time holidays.

If your child is facing barriers to school attendance due to special education needs or disabilities (SEND), schools, local authorities and wider services are required to work together to provide the right support in the first place.

### What if my child needs to miss school?

Your child must attend every day that the school is open, unless:

- Your child is too ill to attend that day.
- You have asked in advance and been given permission by the school for your child to be absent on that day due to exceptional circumstances.
- Your child cannot attend school on that day because it is a day you are taking part in religious observance.
- Your local authority is responsible for arranging your child's transport to school and it is not available on that day or has not been provided yet.
- You are a gypsy/traveller family with no fixed abode, and you are required to travel for work that day meaning your child cannot attend their usual school.

### What happens if my child misses school without a good reason?

If your child is absent and you haven't received advance permission from the headteacher to take your child out of school, the school and local council may take action.

Before that, your child's school and your local council are expected to support you to improve the child's attendance before any measures are put in place.

These measures can include:

- **Issue a fixed penalty notice, otherwise known as a 'fine'** – your local council can give each parent a fine. If you do not pay the fine after 28 days you may be prosecuted for your child's absence from school.
- **Seek an Education Supervision Order from the family court** – if the council thinks you need support getting your child to go to school but you're not co-operating, they can apply to a court for an Education Supervision Order. A supervisor will be appointed to help you get your child into education. The local council can do this instead of, or as well as, prosecuting you.

- **Prosecute you** – this means you have to go to court. You could get a fine, a community order or a jail sentence up to 3 months. The court could also give you a Parenting Order.

### **Why is attendance important?**

For most pupils, the best place to be during term-time is school, surrounded by the support of their friends and teachers.

This is important not just for your child's learning, but also for their overall wellbeing, wider development and their mental health.

If you want to find out more, you may find these links helpful

[Fines for parents for taking children out of school: What you need to know – The Education Hub \(blog.gov.uk\)](https://www.blog.gov.uk/2019/05/23/parents-taking-children-out-of-school-what-you-need-to-know/)

[DfE external document template \(childrenscommissioner.gov.uk\)](https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/external-document-template/)

If you do have any concerns about your child's attendance, please contact the school directly to discuss this.

Yours faithfully

### **BCP School Attendance Team**

Inclusion Service, Education & Skills  
Children's Services



## Helping parents to understand the changes to fines for term time holidays

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued for unauthorised holidays recorded by schools after 19<sup>th</sup> August 2024.

### Who may be fined?

Penalty Notice Fines are issued to each parent who allows their child to be absent from school.

For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent who allowed the holiday receiving 3 separate fines.

### National Threshold

There will be a single consistent national threshold for when a penalty notice must be considered by all schools in England of 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 school days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10 school week period.

For example: a 5 day holiday would meet the national threshold.

The 10-school week period can span different terms or school years.

### First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for an unauthorised term time holiday the fine amount will be:

£80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

Increasing to £160 if paid between days 22-28.

### Second Offence

(within 3 years)

The Second time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child, payable within 28 days.

### Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed a Penalty Notice will not be issued and local authorities will need to consider other available measures to address the absence concerns. This may mean that cases are presented before a Magistrate's Court. If convicted, sanctions can include a fine of up to £2,500 and a prison sentence of up to 3 months, and you will have a criminal record.

Cases found guilty in the Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.