

Attendance 2014/2015

From 1st September 2013 the law gave **NO** entitlement to parents to take their child out on holiday during term time. For those who do **WILL** receive a Fixed Penalty Notice fining both parents £60.00.

Pupils need to attend School regularly to benefit from their education. Missing out on lessons leaves children vulnerable to falling behind. Statistics have shown that children with poor attendance tend to achieve **LESS** in both primary and secondary schools.

Missing just 5 ½ days education in a child's first term will classify them as having Persistent Absence (**PA**). Schools are measured on their Persistent Absence. **PA** is absence from school 15% or more of the time they could have attended. If a child has 24 or more days absence in one academic year they too are put into the **PA** category.

Further statistics show that less than 90% attendance or persistent non-attenders fail to achieve 5 or more good GCSE grades, with one third achieving no GCSE's at all.

Being in the **PA** (Persistent Absence) category also puts you at risk of receiving a Fixed Penalty Notice and could even result in Prosecution.

At Broughton Hall we aim to get give our pupils the best chance to a successful future. We aim to educate them to the very best of standards and to ensure that your child is happy safe and well. We need your help in ensuring that all pupils have excellent attendance and punctuality to benefit from every aspect of life at Broughton Hall.

For more advice or information on attendance and punctuality issues or if you have any concerns or questions. Please do not hesitate to contact me **Alison Greenhouse on **0151 235 1465** (Welfare and Attendance Officer)**