





Time off school is not a right. In special or exceptional circumstances, headteachers can allow a small amount of time out of school.

Special or exceptional circumstances do **not** include:

- availability of cheaper holidays
- availability of desired accommodation
- poor weather in school holidays
- overlap with the beginning or the end of term.

**IT IS NOT TRUE...**

That pupils can 'catch up'.

- research shows that by missing lessons, pupils soon fall behind.
- lessons they miss are NOT repeated at a later date.

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That you are entitled to 10 days extra holiday each year.

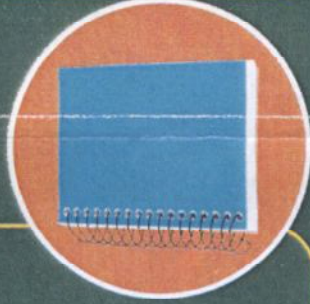
- schools are quite within their rights to say that

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**IT IS NOT TRUE...**

That for younger children, lost schooling does not matter.

- in fact, it does matter - every school day counts.



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Parents who take their children out of school during school term time without the headteacher's authorisation or beyond an agreed date...

**RISK BEING ISSUED WITH A PENALTY NOTICE OR TAKEN TO COURT**

In addition:

- you risk losing your child's place at their school
- you risk your child's future through lost learning lower achievement
- you risk your child feeling left behind left out

**STOP AND THINK WHAT IT WILL COST YOUR CHILD, REMEMBER: EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!**

