

APPLICATION FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Name of School: **St Columba's Catholic Primary School** DfE No: **3803335**

Pupils attend school for a maximum of 190 days each academic year. Full attendance is vital for your child's educational progress. Bradford Council expects all parents/guardians to ensure that their children attend school regularly. Absences due to holidays, taken during term time can seriously impact on a pupil's academic attainment. Bradford Council's policy is to only grant leave of absence in the most exceptional circumstances. If permission is given for Leave of Absence the Headteacher will determine the number of days of absence.

Taking 'Leave of Absence' without the schools permission could result in you being issued with a Penalty Notice fine of £60. Penalty Notices are issued, per parent per child. Where permission has been given for 'Leave of Absence', if you fail to return your child within 10 schools days of the agreed return date, your child may be removed from the school roll.

If you wish to apply for your child to be absent from school, please complete this form and return it to school at least two weeks before the intended departure. Thank you.

PARENTS SECTION

Surname of child		First name	
Date of birth		Class	
Surname of parent/guardian		First name of parent/guardian	
Address of child			
Postcode		Telephone number	
Reason for absence			
Length of absence applied for (number of school days)		Destination	
Date of departure		Date due back in school	
Emergency telephone contact in the Bradford district	Emergency telephone contact abroad		
Parent's/guardian's signature			Date

SCHOOLS SECTION

Date of meeting with parent/s		Headteacher's signature		Date
Leave of Absence	Approved for		School days	
	Not approved for		School days	
Ethnic origin of child	White	Pakistani	Bangladeshi	Indian
Chinese	Black-Caribbean	Black-African	Black-other	Other
Gender of child	Female	Male		
Number of previous applications granted				
Reason for refusing Leave of Absence				

Please Retain for School Records

In the event of the child not returning within 10 schools days of the agreed return date and no satisfactory explanation has been provide for the none return the child can be removed from the school register. A Children Missing Education referral should be made to the Education Social Work Service who will require a copy of this form. For further information please see Bradford Council Leave of absence, Holidays in Term Time and Extended Leave of Absence – Guidance for Schools or Children Missing Education 'If A Child Goes Missing'.