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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope this message finds you well. I understand that planning family holidays can be a wonderful experience, and I appreciate your commitment to ensuring that your child's education remains a priority.

As educators, we passionately believe that consistent attendance is crucial for your child's academic progress and overall personal development. Every day in school matters, and missing school days can have a significant impact on your child's learning journey and well-being.

With this in mind, we would like to kindly request that you consider booking your family holidays during the designated school holiday periods. Doing so ensures that your child does not miss out on valuable learning experiences, trips, visits, lessons, and opportunities for growth.

To assist you in planning your holidays, I am pleased to share the dates for the next academic year 2024-25. These dates have been carefully chosen to align with the Wakefield authority calendar, allowing your child to enjoy a well-deserved break without disrupting their education.

2024-25 School Calendar

Autumn 1: school starts on 4 September 2024 to 25 October 2024

Autumn 2: school restarts on 4 November 2024 to 19 December 2024

Spring 1: school restarts on 6 January 2025 to 14 February 2025

Spring 2: school restarts on 24 February 2025 to 4 April 2025

Summer 1: school restarts on 22 April 2025 to 23 May 2025

Summer 2: school restarts on 2 June 2025 to 18 July 2025

You will also be able to find the dates for next year on our website in the next few weeks. I would encourage you to take advantage of this information to plan your family holidays during school holidays, ensuring your child's uninterrupted participation in their education. We believe that your partnership in prioritising attendance and education is instrumental in your child's success. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions or concerns regarding attendance, holidays, or any other school-related matters, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to support you in every way possible.

Kind regard

Richard Grogan
Headteacher