



Information on Holidays During Term/Extended Holidays

We wish to remind families regarding student absenteeism.

Under the School Education Act of Western Australia 1999, students are required to attend every day that the College is open. The College also has reporting obligations around attendance that must be carefully attended to and provided to the Education Department throughout the year.

Broadly, absenteeism falls into three categories as below:

Unplanned

- Injury, sickness or misadventure

Approved

- College endorsed event (eg. College excursion, College interschool sports)
- State or National representative sports team. Must have letter from State or National coach/organisation

Unapproved

- All other situations where a child is away that is not described as approved or unplanned above.

As such the College is unable to approve student absenteeism for family holiday, any holidays taken during term time.

If in spite of this, you intend to take a student on a short-term family holiday during term, parents must inform the Principal or Head of School in writing at least two weeks prior to the planned absence. In these circumstances please do not expect the teacher to provide work for the period of the absence.

Please be advised that should you decide to remove your child for an extended holiday, the College may be unable to maintain their enrolment. These decisions will take into consideration; cultural and family circumstances (i.e. the reason for the intended absence), length of proposed absence, attendance/requirements/College reporting obligations and potential federal and state funding implications for students. Only in exceptional circumstances would there be cause to alter this outcome.

We remind parents in ALL circumstances that written communication to the College is required for absenteeism.

If your child is going to be absent from school, please SMS [0429 796 628](tel:0429796628) or email f.absentees@carey.wa.edu.au by 9:00 am including your:

- Child's full name.
- Class.
- Date/s of absence.
- Reason.

Thank you for your ongoing support

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