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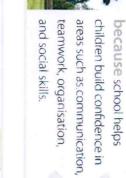
Every School Day



each week and each year knowledge and skills each day, children to build on their because school enables







because going to school is a legal requirement and there are fines of up to \$1000



Further Information and Support

Every School Day

support you may need. Talk with your school about your child's attendance or any

across Western Australia. Staff can help families whose children attend public schools The Department of Education's Regional Education Offices also have staff who can provide information and support.

Responsibilities of Parents

Attendance at School and the

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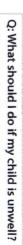
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Frequently asked ESTIC



A: Inform the school and provide a medical certificate

Q: What should I do if my child refuses to go to school?

A: Contact your school as soon as possible and the school

Q: What should I do if we are going on holiday during

will arrange support and advice.

school time?

A: Inform the school prior to the holiday, but you should try to arrange holidays during school holiday periods.

Q: Can I take my child out of school for social occasions?

A: You should arrange social occasions such as personal shopping trips and birthday celebrations out of

Q: Will my child be marked absent from school if he/she is

A: No, as long as this is part of the school program doing a TAFEWA, VET or community based program?

Q: Can my child attend another schools' Athletics

A: No, not unless they have been asked to attend Carnival or special day?

by the school.

Q: Will the school provide work for my child while

provided with work packages.

A: No, children who are on extended holiday will not be on holiday?

Education is compulsory for students because we all want children to have It's not OK to be soft on attendance..

WHAT THE LAW SAYS

the opportunity to be their best

Under Western Australian law (School Education Act 1999), parents must send their children to school unless:

they are too unwell

they are too unwell

they have an infectious disease

the Principal is provided with a genuine and acceptable reason

You must let the school know within three days why your child is not attending. Under the law, schools must:

monitor attendance of students

sure your child goes to school on ALL days.

Under the law, you are responsible for making

education, this requirement may be met by approved

For students in their final two years of compulsory

student reaches the age of 18, whichever happens first.

months, until the end of the year in which the student from the beginning of the year they turn 5 years 6

reaches the age of 17 years and 6 months, or until the

alternative arrangements to full time schooling.

follow up with parents and caregivers on student absences

What happens when your child misses school without

The following steps will be taken until the issue is resolved:

your school will ask you for an explanation

your school will meet with you to discuss ongoing issues and plan a response

lessons each school day

responsible for having your child at school for minor reasons. You are also You must not keep your child away from

school, on time and prepared for

your case will be referred to North Metropolitan Education Regional Office of the Department of Education

a school attendance panel will be set up to review the steps taken and provide advice

in some cases, you will be fined



or is missing school without you knowing, there is support and help available. If your child is reluctant or refuses to go to school

(see back panel) for **Education Regional Office**

information.









