

# Hutton Cranswick CP School

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Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

Since the changed legislation regarding holidays in term time was announced last year, there has been a great deal of debate regarding 'exceptional circumstances'.

At a recent meeting of the Driffield and Wolds Partnership of Headteachers the issue of attendance at Driffield Show was discussed. When this was initially looked at in September 2013, heads were advised by the Local Authority that attendance at Driffield Show did not meet the criteria for exceptional circumstances so attendance could not be authorised. This year's show is within the normal school year and so the local authority has agreed that, as this is part of the local promotion of Modern British Values, an exception can be made and for this year attendance can be authorised.

If you are considering taking your child to the Driffield Show on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2016** you must complete the tear off slip below and return it to school no later than **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2016**.

Each application will be considered by the Headteacher on its individual merits. If you have not heard from the school by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July you should consider your application for authorised school absence has been approved. Please note that if you have not requested absence for your child on this day, and your child is consequently absent to attend Driffield Show, the Headteacher (by law) cannot retrospectively authorise the absence.

**School will remain open to all students on Wednesday 20 July 2016 as normal.**

It is my understanding that this only covers Driffield show (not The Great Yorkshire show e.t.c.) and is a temporary measure for this year only.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. K Henderson  
Headteacher

Child's Name: .....

I am requesting an authorised absence for my child on 20 July 2016 to attend the Driffield show.

All Day / Afternoon Only (Please delete)

I understand that any absence will affect my Child's overall absence rate for 2015-2016

Signature: .....Date: .....

