Exemption from Attendance

Travel for family holidays
Parents and carers are reminded that students are required to be in full time study between the ages of 6 and 17 years. In situations where families may take extended holidays that fall outside of school holiday periods, there is a requirement to apply for exemption from attendance. An application form is available at the school or on the website. Principals can approve exemptions for periods of up to four weeks, and for longer than this, the Minister of Education and Children’s Services has delegated the authority to the Director, Schools and Children’s Services. For exemptions of longer than a month, parents are requested to lodge applications at least four weeks in advance of the expected travel date. Applications for exemption for family holidays will always be approved, but are a legislative requirement of the Education Act.