

School term and holiday dates calendar 2025/26

Governing boards are responsible for setting the school term and holiday dates for each school. This calendar provides a framework for governing boards to set their dates. Individual school dates will vary, so please check the school website for the dates at specific schools.

School Terms	Public Holidays
Autumn	Half Term
Monday 1 September 2025 to	Monday 27 October 2025 to
Friday 24 October 2025	Friday 31 October 2025
	Diwali: Tuesday 21 October 2025
Autumn	Christmas Break
Monday 3 November 2025 to	Monday 22 December 2025 to
Friday 19 December 2025	Friday 2 January 2026
Religious Festivals	Religious Festivals
Vikram New Year in Gujarat: Wednesday 22 October 2025 Guru Nanak's Birthday: Wednesday 5 November 2025	Christmas Day and New Year's Day fall within the Christmas Break
Spring	Half Term
Monday 5 January 2026 to	Monday 16 February 2026 to
Friday 13 February 2026	Friday 20 February 2026
	Religious Festivals
	Ramadan: predicted to begin evening of Tuesday 17 February 2026
Spring	Spring Break
Monday 23 February 2026 to	Monday 30 March 2026 to
Friday 27 March 2026	Friday 10 April 2026
Eid-ul-Fitr: Predicted as the evening of Friday 20 March 2026	Religious Festivals
Watch 2020	Easter Sunday: 5 April 2026

Summer	Half Term
Monday 13 April 2026 to	Monday 25 May 2026 to
Friday 22 May 2026	Friday 29 May 2026
May Day Monday 4 May 2026	Religious festivals
	Eid-ul-Adha: evening of Wednesday 27 May 2026
Summer	Summer Break
Monday 1 June 2026 to	Thursday 23 July 2026 to
Wednesday 22 July 2026	To be advised

In-service training days:

The Education (School Day and School Year) Regulations (1999) require all maintained schools to open for teaching for 190 days a year, offering 380 sessions. The table sets out dates for 197 days. Pupils are to be released for a further 5 days for the purpose of teachers' staff development (INSET). These days can be taken as inset days or equivalent twilight sessions.