

Term dates for schools

Parents and carers have a legal obligation to make sure their children attend school regularly. You can only [take a child out of school](#) when there are exceptional circumstances. You do not have the right to take children on holiday in term time and may be fined if you do.

These term dates are for guidance only.

Some schools set their own term dates or agree minor local variations so you should also consult your school's own website for their individual school dates.

School term dates 2025/2026

Autumn term 2025 – open 75 days

Status	Date
Open	01 September 2025 – 24 October 2025 (40 days)
Half term	27 October 2025 to 31 October 2025
Open	03 November 2025 – 19 December 2025 (35 days)
Christmas Holiday	22 December 2025 to 02 January 2026 (Inclusive of Bank Holidays)

Spring term 2026 – open 55 days

Status	Date
Open	05 January 2026 – 13 February 2026 (30 days)
Half term	16 February 2026 to 20 February 2026
Open	23 February 2026 – 27 March 2026 (25 days)
Spring break	30 March 2026 to 10 April 2026 (Inclusive of Good Friday and Easter Monday)

Summer term 2026 – open 65 days

Status	Date
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Open	13 April 2026 – 22 May 2026 (29 days) (Inclusive of Bank Holiday)
Half term	25 May 2025 to 29 May 2026 (inclusive of Bank Holiday)
Open	01 June 2026 – 20 July 2026 (36 days)
Summer holiday	21 July 2026 to 31 August 2026 (inclusive of Bank Holiday)