

School Term Dates and Holidays 2016/17



Term Time Dates for Children

Term	First Day for Children	Last day of term for Children
Autumn	Tuesday 6 th September 2016 <i>(Staff INSET Monday 5th September)</i>	Tuesday 20 th December 2016 School closes at 2:00pm <i>(Staff INSET on Wednesday 21st December)</i>
Spring	Wednesday 4 th January 2017 <i>(Staff INSET on Tuesday 3rd January)</i>	Friday 31 st March 2017 School closes at 2:00pm
Summer	Tuesday 18 th April 2017	Friday 21 st July 2017 School closes at 2:00pm <i>(Staff INSET on Friday 7th July)</i>



Holiday Dates for Children



School Holidays	First Day of Holidays	Last Day of Holidays
Autumn Half Term	Monday 24 th October 2016	Friday 28 th October 2016
Christmas Holiday	Tuesday 21 st December 2016 <i>(Staff INSET on Wednesday 21st December)</i>	Tuesday 3 rd January 2017 <i>(Staff INSET on Tuesday 3rd January)</i>
Spring Half Term	Monday 13 th February 2017	Friday 17 th February 2017
Easter Holiday	Monday 3 rd April 2017	Monday 17 th April 2017 <i>Easter Monday</i>
Summer Half Term	Monday 29 th May 2017	Friday 2 nd June 2017
Summer Holidays	Monday 24 th July 2017	To be confirmed



Good school attendance is one of the main factors in determining children's future and opportunity in life. By supporting children's education we are giving them a better chance for a successful future!

Welcome back!

I am so pleased to be back to continue our work towards the success of our children. As you all remember we are working to achieve the best education by helping them to be in school on time and attend every day. Please let's carry on working hard and celebrate our children's achievements. **The greater the attendance, the greater the potential for achievement!**

Please let me remind you of some important information: The school will identify and support parents whose children's **attendance falls below 90%**. If you are experiencing difficulty in sending your child to school please contact me. I will be very happy to talk to you about the difficulties and think how you and your child can be supported in the best possible way. My phone number is 07811 993986 or you can just pop in and talk to me in person. I am available every Friday between 08:30am and 3:30pm. All parents/carers have a legal responsibility to make sure that their children attend school regularly.

The school is obligated to monitor attendance and if the attendance or punctuality is concerning this has to be referred to the local authority (The Access and Engagement Service) and that could mean that you receive a Penalty Notice.

In order to avoid this please remember that if your child is absent from school that you always telephone us to provide the reason. On return to school you need to bring a letter or medical proof so the absence can be authorised because the accumulation of unauthorised absences will lead to a Penalty Notice issued by *The Access and Engagement Service*.

A Penalty Notice can also be issued for bringing your child to school late so please ensure that your child is always on time. It will help if your child has a regular bed time to get enough sleep, wakes up early to prepare for school and has the school uniform and school bag prepared in the evening before. If you would like any help in establishing good routines please contact me.

If you have any questions regarding attendance and punctuality or need support please do not hesitate to contact me.

Wishing you a great weekend! **Mariola Reron, School Home Support Practitioner**

