



## Striving together for excellence and enjoyment

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to you with our agreed term dates for 2026/2027. This is next academic year which will be here before we know it!

All maintained schools are required to set their term dates based on the Hertfordshire agreed dates. Academies have more flexibility and are able to set their dates in a different way. The Hertfordshire agreed dates are available here: [School term dates | Hertfordshire County Council](https://www.hertsdirect.org/education-and-learning/schools-and-education/school-term-dates)

Community and voluntary-controlled schools must use the above term dates, adding 5 INSET days and 1 Occasional day where children don't need to go to school. Pirton School falls into this category.

I have consulted with staff about the positioning of the INSET days and the Occasional Day and have also used the term dates for Hitchin Girls School, Hitchin Boys School and the Priory School to try to align where possible. This includes Friday 27th November where the three secondary schools are closed. I have also endeavoured to elongate school holidays for families. This includes breaking up for Easter on the Wednesday immediately preceding the long Easter weekend. It also means that we break up for October half term on Thursday and allows 10 clear days for any families lucky enough to be planning a 10-day holiday!

I will add all the dates to the calendar on the website as well as this document. The information below is the same information presented in two different ways. It is personal preference which you refer to. The information is the same.

Kind regards,

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**Term Dates**  
**Autumn Term 2026**

Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2026	INSET DAY 1
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2026	INSET DAY 2
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2026	Term starts
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2026	Term ends at 3.15pm (usual time)
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2026	INSET DAY 3
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> October - Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2026	Half term holiday
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2026	Term starts
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2026	OCCASIONAL DAY – school closed
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2026	Term ends at 1.30pm
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> December – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> January	Christmas holidays

**Spring Term 2027**

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2027	INSET DAY 4
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2027	Term starts
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2027	Term ends at 3.15pm (usual time)
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2027	Half term holiday
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2027	Term starts
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2027	Term ends at 1.30pm
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2027	INSET DAY 5
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> March -Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2027	Easter holidays

**Summer Term 2027**

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2027	Term starts
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2027	Bank holiday
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2027	Term ends at 3.15pm (usual time)
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> May – Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2027	Half term holiday
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2027	Term starts
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2027	Transition Day (children visit new classes)
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2027	Term ends at 1.30pm

**INSET days**

Last days of term – please note the times- 1.30pm at end of Autumn, Spring and Summer Terms

OCCASIONAL DAY

School Holidays

First days of term

Autumn Term 2026

September 2026					October 2026					November 2026					December 2026				
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri
24	25	26	27	28				1	2	2	3	4	5	6		1	2	3	4
31	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	9	10	11	12	13	7	8	9	10	11
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	16	17	18	19	20	14	15	16	17	18
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	23	24	25	26	27	21	22	23	24	25
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	30					28	29	30	31	
28	29	30																	

Spring Term 2027

January 2027					February 2027					March 2027					April 2027				
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri
				1	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5				1	2
4	5	6	7	8	8	9	10	11	12	8	9	10	11	12	5	6	7	8	9
11	12	13	14	15	15	16	17	18	19	15	16	17	18	19	12	13	14	15	16
18	19	20	21	22	22	23	24	25	26	22	23	24	25	26	19	20	21	22	23
25	26	27	28	29						29	30	31			26	27	28	29	30

Summer Term 2027

May 2027					June 2027					July 2027					August 2027				
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri
3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4		1	2			2	3	4	5	6	
10	11	12	13	14	7	8	9	10	11	5	6	7	8	9	9	10	11	12	13
17	18	19	20	21	14	15	16	17	18	12	13	14	15	16	16	17	18	19	20
24	25	26	27	28	21	22	23	24	25	19	20	21	22	23	23	24	25	26	27
31					28	29	30			26	27	28	29	30	30	31	1	2	3