

Academic year 2026 to 2027

From September 2026, community and voluntary controlled schools will have a **two-week autumn half term**.

Five days will be taken from the summer holiday in July 2027.

The school year will still have 195 days, including 5 INSET days.

Other schools set their own dates but are encouraged to follow these.

Autumn term 2026

Start of term	Half term	End of term
1 September 2026	19 October to 30 October 2026	18 December 2026

Spring term 2027

Start of term	Half term	End of term
4 January 2027	15 February to 19 February 2027	25 March 2027

Summer term 2027

Start of term	Half term	End of term
12 April 2027	31 May to 4 June 2027	28 July 2027

Why this is changing

In 2024, Surrey County Council asked schools and families for feedback.

60% of schools and most residents supported a two-week autumn break.

This change matches what some other councils already do.

Academic year 2027 to 2028

From September 2027, community and voluntary controlled schools will revert to a one-week autumn half term.

Autumn term 2027

Start of term	Half term	End of term
1 September 2027	25 October to 29 October 2027	21 December 2027

Spring term 2028

Start of term	Half term	End of term
4 January 2028	14 February to 18 February 2028	31 March 2028

Summer term 2028

Start of term	Half term	End of term
18 April 2028	29 May to 2 June 2028	19 July 2028

Inset days: There are five Inset (Teacher Training) Days that are taken during the 2027 to 2028 academic year which are set locally by schools and are taken from the 195 days given here.