

Term Dates 2026 – 2027

Autumn Term 2026

Whole School Address and Staff INSET 1, Academic and Professional Services Staff	Tuesday 1 September, 9.00am – 12.00pm (Academic Staff INSET until 4pm approx.)
Academic Staff INSET 2	Wednesday 2 September, 8.45am – 4.00pm
New Boarders Arrival	Tuesday 1 September (timings will be sent separately)
School Induction Sessions for all pupils in the First Year, Lower Sixth and for new pupils in the Second, Third and Fourth Years	Thursday 3 September
Term Starts for Prep School	Thursday 3 September, 8.00am
All other existing boarders arrive (unless requested to arrive earlier) and boarding in-house activities	Thursday 3 September, by 4.00pm
Term Starts for Senior School	Friday 4 September, 8.30am
Boarders' Activities Weekend	Friday 11 September – Sunday 13 September
Boarders' Exeat Weekend	Friday 25 September, 4.00pm – Sunday 27 September, between 5.30pm and 8.30pm
Half-Term	Friday 16 October, 4.00pm - Monday 2 November, 8.30am
Boarders return	Sunday 1 November between 8.00am and 6.00pm
Boarders' Exeat Weekend	Friday 20 November, 4.00pm – Sunday 22 November, between 5.30pm and 8.30pm
Boarders' Activities Weekend	Friday 4 December – Sunday 6 December
Term Ends	Friday 11 December, 1.00pm

Spring Term 2027

Staff INSET 3	Monday 4 January
Boarders return (Upper Sixth and Fifth Year Pupils only)	Sunday 3 January 8.30am – 6.00pm
Boarders return (Remaining Boarders)	Monday 4 January 8.00am – 6.00pm
Term Starts Upper Sixth and Fifth Year Pupils only	Monday 4 January, 8.30am
Term Starts (Remaining year groups)	Tuesday 5 January, 8.30am
Boarders' Exeat Weekend	Friday 22 January – Sunday 24 January, between 5.30pm and 8.30pm
Half-Term	Friday 12 February 4.00pm – Monday 22 February, 8.30am
Boarders return	Sunday 21 February, between 5.30pm and 8.30pm
Boarders' Activities weekend	Friday 12 March, 4.00pm – Sunday 14 March
Term Ends	Thursday 25 March, 4.00pm

Easter Weekend: Good Friday 26 March to Easter Monday 29 March

Summer Term 2027

Staff INSET 4	Friday 16 April
Boarders return	Sunday 18 April, 8.00am - 6.00pm
Term Starts	Monday 19 April, 8.30am
Boarders' Exeat Weekend	Friday 30 April, 4.00pm – Monday 3 May, between 5.30pm and 8.30pm
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 May
School resumes	Tuesday 4 May, 8.30am
Half-Term	Friday 28 May 4.00pm – Monday 7 June, 8.30am
Boarders return	Sunday 6 June, 5.30pm – 8.30pm
Junior Boarders' Activities Weekend	Friday 11 June – Sunday 13 June
Term Ends	Friday 2 July, 1.00pm
Speech Day	Saturday 3 July

Additional notes for boarders

An Exeat Weekend means that boarding pupils are expected to leave the House once lessons have finished at 4.00pm on Friday to spend the weekend away from school with their family or guardian. An Activities Weekend is one in which all boarders stay at school: during these weekends, activities and events are organised for all boarding pupils.

We advise that flights are booked well in advance so that pupils do not arrive back late at the start of term or indeed leave early at the end. If there are any problems, in the first instance please write to the Housemaster/mistress of your child, who will consult the Principal Deputy Head. Pupils in the Fifth Year and Upper Sixth may book flights to leave following completion of their public examinations in the Summer Term. This must be agreed in advance with the Housemaster/mistress.

At the start of Spring and Summer Terms, boarding houses will not open until 8.00am. Boarders are expected to return no later than 6.00pm. Following an Exeat Weekend or Half Term (except for the October Half Term), boarding houses will not be open until 5.30pm. Boarders are expected to return by 8.30pm on these occasions. We ask parents and guardians to ensure that their child does not arrive back at school before the boarding house is open.