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Play, Learn and Grow...Together!

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Term Dates and INSET Days for the 2026/27 Academic Year

As we begin planning for the next academic year, we would like to share our term dates and staff training (INSET) days for the 2026/27 academic year to help families plan ahead.

Following consultation with governors, we have chosen to schedule our INSET days at the very beginning and end of the academic year. This means that children will finish for the summer holidays almost a week earlier than many other schools across the country.

We hope that this will provide families with greater flexibility when booking holidays and may help some families secure more affordable holiday options. We also hope this approach will support the continued improvements we have made to attendance across the school.

INSET Days (School Closed to Pupils)

- Tuesday 1st September 2026
- Wednesday 2nd September 2026
- Monday 26th July 2027
- Tuesday 27th July 2027
- Wednesday 28th July 2027

Autumn Term 2026

INSET Days: Tuesday 1st September and Wednesday 2nd September

Children return to school: Thursday 3rd September 2026

Half-term holiday: Monday 1^{9th} October to Friday 30th October 2026

Last day of term: Friday 18th December 2026

Spring Term 2027

Children return to school: Monday 4th January 2027

Half-term holiday: Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February 2027

Last day of term: Thursday 25th March 2027

Summer Term 2027

Children return to school: Monday 12th April 2027

Half-term holiday: Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2027

Last day for pupils: Friday 23rd July 2027

INSET Days: Monday 26th July, Tuesday 27th July and Wednesday 28th July 2027

The total number of school days and holiday days remains unchanged. We have simply positioned our five INSET days at the beginning and end of the academic year rather than spreading them throughout the year. As a result, children will finish for the summer holiday on Friday 23rd July 2027.

We appreciate that no arrangement will suit every family. However, governors felt that this approach offered the greatest benefit overall, allowing families greater flexibility when planning summer holidays, reducing the likelihood of children missing learning time through term-time absence, whilst also aligning our term dates with local secondary schools

A copy of these dates will also be available on the school website and shared through our usual communication channels.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to another successful year as we continue to "Play, Learn and Grow Together!"

Yours sincerely,

Karl Hopkinson

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'K. Hopkinson', written over a horizontal line.

Headteacher