

Devon Local Authority

School term and holiday dates: 2009/2010 Academic Year

After consultation with governing bodies, headteachers and teachers' associations about school term dates for the 2009/2010 academic year, the following dates have been set:

Term	First Day	Last Day
Autumn 2009	1 September 2009	18 December 2009
Spring 2010	4 January 2010	1 April 2010
Summer 2010	19 April 2010	23 July 2010

Half-term holiday weeks

Autumn 2009	26-30 October 2009
Spring 2010	15-19 February 2010
Summer 2010	31 May - 4 June 2010

leaving two days of **occasional holiday**, taken from within the term dates, to be determined by Governors.

There will be five **training days** ("non-pupil days") which fall within the term dates and are to be determined by Governors.

The marked calendar overleaf illustrates the position. Schools are encouraged to discuss the use of training days and occasional holidays at their Local Learning Community meetings before being determined by Governors.

These term dates apply to all Community and Voluntary Controlled schools and are recommended for adoption by Governors of Foundation and Voluntary Aided schools.

Note

- (i) All maintained schools are required to meet on 190 days on which pupils are present during each academic year. The term dates provide for that number after allowance is made for the two days of occasional holiday and the five training days. There is no authority for shortening the school term for any other reason, such as closure at the end of the morning session on the last day of term.
- (ii) Please avoid unjustifiable expenditure on school transport. In those areas where there are common transport and/or school meals arrangements, it is urged that Headteachers recommend to their Governors an agreed use of occasional holidays.
- (iii) **Use of Schools as Polling Stations**

Many Governing Bodies have commented that the closure of schools which are required as polling stations is disruptive and unnecessary. Full closure of small schools may be unavoidable but the expectation is that schools will offer accommodation for the polling station which would avoid closure, or would involve only partial closure. Where closure is essential it will be regarded as being for an 'unavoidable cause' for the purpose of School Regulations - i.e. it need not be taken from the days at discretion unless Governors, in consultation with the Headteacher, so wish. It is essential that Heads should give the LA adequate notice of closure (or partial closure) for election purposes. Three weeks should be the normal minimum period of notice.

School Term Dates: 2009/2010 Academic Year

Aug-2009						
Monday		3	10	17	24	31
Tuesday		4	11	18	25	
Wednesday		5	12	19	26	
Thursday		6	13	20	27	
Friday		7	14	21	28	
Saturday	1	8	15	22	29	
Sunday	2	9	16	23	30	

Sep-2009						
Monday			7	14	21	28
Tuesday		1	8	15	22	29
Wednesday		2	9	16	23	30
Thursday		3	10	17	24	
Friday		4	11	18	25	
Saturday		5	12	19	26	
Sunday		6	13	20	27	

Oct-2009						
Monday			5	12	19	26
Tuesday			6	13	20	27
Wednesday			7	14	21	28
Thursday		1	8	15	22	29
Friday		2	9	16	23	30
Saturday		3	10	17	24	31
Sunday		4	11	18	25	

Nov-2009						
Monday		2	9	16	23	30
Tuesday		3	10	17	24	
Wednesday		4	11	18	25	
Thursday		5	12	19	26	
Friday		6	13	20	27	
Saturday		7	14	21	28	
Sunday	1	8	15	22	29	

Dec-2009						
Monday			7	14	21	28
Tuesday		1	8	15	22	29
Wednesday		2	9	16	23	30
Thursday		3	10	17	24	31
Friday		4	11	18	25	
Saturday		5	12	19	26	
Sunday		6	13	20	27	

Jan-2010						
Monday			4	11	18	25
Tuesday			5	12	19	26
Wednesday			6	13	20	27
Thursday			7	14	21	28
Friday		1	8	15	22	29
Saturday		2	9	16	23	30
Sunday		3	10	17	24	31

February 2010						
Monday		1	8	15	22	
Tuesday		2	9	16	23	
Wednesday		3	10	17	24	
Thursday		4	11	18	25	
Friday		5	12	19	26	
Saturday		6	13	20	27	
Sunday		7	14	21	28	

Mar-2010						
Monday		1	8	15	22	29
Tuesday		2	9	16	23	30
Wednesday		3	10	17	24	31
Thursday		4	11	18	25	
Friday		5	12	19	26	
Saturday		6	13	20	27	
Sunday		7	14	21	28	

Apr-2010						
Monday			5	12	19	26
Tuesday			6	13	20	27
Wednesday			7	14	21	28
Thursday		1	8	15	22	29
Friday		2	9	16	23	30
Saturday		3	10	17	24	
Sunday		4	11	18	25	

May-2010						
Monday		3	10	17	24	31
Tuesday		4	11	18	25	
Wednesday		5	12	19	26	
Thursday		6	13	20	27	
Friday		7	14	21	28	
Saturday	1	8	15	22	29	
Sunday	2	9	16	23	30	

Jun-2010						
Monday			7	14	21	28
Tuesday		1	8	15	22	29
Wednesday		2	9	16	23	30
Thursday		3	10	17	24	
Friday		4	11	18	25	
Saturday		5	12	19	26	
Sunday		6	13	20	27	

Jul-2010						
Monday			5	12	19	26
Tuesday			6	13	20	27
Wednesday			7	14	21	28
Thursday		1	8	15	22	29
Friday		2	9	16	23	30
Saturday		3	10	17	24	31
Sunday		4	11	18	25	

Bank Holiday
School Holiday

Bank Holidays
31 August 2009 (Summer Bank Holiday)
1 January 2010 (New Year)
2 April 2010 (Good Friday)
5 April 2010 (Easter Monday)
3 May 2010 (May Day)
31 May 2010 (Spring Bank Holiday)
30 August 2010 (Summer Bank Holiday)

Training Days
Five days selected from within the term dates, to be determined by the Governing Body

Occasional holidays
Two days selected from within the term dates, to be determined by the Governing Body

Summer Holiday 2010
The Autumn Term 2010 is expected to commence on or after 1 September 2010

School Term Days
Autumn Term 2009 74
Spring Term 2009 59
Summer Term 2009 64

197 (unshaded in calendar)
Less Occasional Days 2

195
Less Training Days 5

190