

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.