

1 September 2021

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The Headteacher – All Nursery, Primary, Secondary, Special and Free Schools, Academies and PRUs

Dear Colleague

School Term and Holiday Dates 2021/22 (revised to reflect change in relation to additional Queen's Platinum Jubilee bank holiday)

Please find attached revised LA term dates for the school year 2021/22.

You will be aware that in 2022 the government have agreed to grant an additional bank holiday on Friday, 3 June to provide a focal point for celebrations around the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. In addition, the traditional bank holiday at the end of May, will in 2022, be moved to Thursday, 2 June to make a four day weekend.

In order to ensure that school based staff also benefit from the additional public holiday, the school year in 2021/22 will be reduced from 190 days to 189 days. The school term and holiday dates for 2021/22 have been revised to reflect this. Please can you make sure any publications, newsletters, websites, etc. are updated and discard the dates previously circulated.

School employers are required to set the term dates of their school year. Employers are: the LA in community, voluntary controlled and community special schools; the governing body in foundation and voluntary aided schools and the academy trust for academies and free schools. Therefore, the LA is required to set the school term and holiday dates for community and voluntary controlled schools and these schools should follow these dates.

Aided and foundation schools, free schools and academies are all responsible for setting their own dates but meet any additional transport or catering costs if they deviate from the LA's dates. It would also be helpful if all schools could follow the LA pattern as closely as possible.

It is important for schools to notify the LA if term dates will differ from those attached.

If you have any queries relating to these term dates please contact me on the number given at the top of this letter. Alternatively, you can e-mail me at nicola.shiels@cumbria.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nicola Shiels', written in a cursive style.

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**CUMBRIA CHILDREN'S SERVICES DIRECTORATE
SCHOOL TERM DATES 2021/2022 (Revised August 2021)**

AUTUMN TERM 2021

STARTS	ENDS	HALF – TERM HOLIDAY
Thursday 2 September	Thursday 16 December	Monday 25 October – Friday 29 October
Number of school days in term – 71		

SPRING TERM 2022

STARTS	ENDS	HALF – TERM HOLIDAY
Wednesday 5 January	Friday 1 April	Monday 14 February – Friday 18 February
Number of school days in term – 58		

SUMMER TERM 2022

STARTS	ENDS	Good Friday – 15 April Easter Sunday – 17 April Easter Monday – 18 April
Wednesday 20 April	Wednesday 20 July	HALF – TERM HOLIDAY Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June
Number of school days in term – 60		Early May Bank Holiday Monday 2 May

Number of days in year – 189 (Reduced from 190 due to additional Bank Holiday on 3 June to celebrate Queen's Diamond Jubilee)

INSET Days/Sessions

The 190 day school year identified above makes no provision for the additional 5 days non-contact time for which staff are contracted.

Therefore, any INSET sessions should be arranged either outside the above school term dates or outside pupil hours.

The following dates are suggested as dates that could be used for INSET: -

Wednesday, 1 September 2021

Tuesday, 4 January 2022

Tuesday, 19 April 2022

Plus two others, to be locally determined.