



Welcome to Linaker Primary School 2025-26





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TOGETHERNESS

- Wear a smile when greeting people.
- Show positive body language for learning.
- Use kind words and actions.
- Work with others co-operatively.
- Help and support others.
- Are positive role models for others.

TEAM Linaker



EMPATHY

- Show an appreciation of others.
- Accept differences.
- Share with others.
- Support others with their learning.
- Celebrate other people's successes.



ASPIRATION

- Fully engage with our learning.
- Ask and answer questions.
- Try our best and never give up.
- Produce work of a high standard.



MUTUAL RESPECT

- Use good manners.
- Actively listen - one person talking, everyone listening.
- Respond to instructions quickly.
- Move around **quietly**, **sensibly** and **safely**.
- Welcome adults with 'Good morning, Mr Smith, good morning, everyone.' when a class is addressed.

Attendance

We are committed to ensure all children have regular and full attendance and the importance of this is understood by children and their families. Government research shows a direct link between attendance and attainment and good attenders make better progress, learn to work with others, and are better prepared for transitions from our schools into further and higher education, training and employment. Absence may also mean that a child is more vulnerable to safeguarding risks, such as child exploitation.

As a school, we work hard to create a culture where children want to attend school and value working with families to identify and remove barriers to full attendance.



% Attendance	Days Missed
100%	0
99%	1.9
98%	3.8
97%	5.7
96%	7.6
95%	9.5
94%	11.4
93%	13.3
92%	15.2
91%	17.1
90%	19
85%	28.5
80%	38

If your child misses....	That Equals...	Which is...	Over 13 years of schooling that is.....
10 minutes a Day	50 minutes a Week	1.5 Weeks per Year	Nearly <u>1/2 Year</u> of lost learning
20 minutes a Day	1 hour 40 minutes a Week	2.5 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 Year</u> of lost learning
30 minutes a day	1/2 a Day a Week	4 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1.5 Years</u> of lost learning
1 hour a Day	1 day a Week	8 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>2.5 Years</u> of lost learning

Uniform

Uniform Requirements:

Nursery:

- LPS green sweatshirt with embroidered school logo
- LPS white polo shirt (plain white polo shirts are acceptable)
- Grey joggers or a grey skirt
- Grey or black socks, grey or black tights
- An appropriate outdoor coat (*children will go out for fresh air and activity even if it's raining!*)
- A book bag
- Water bottle (containing water only)

Reception to Year 6:

- LPS purple sweatshirt/cardigan with embroidered school logo
- LPS white polo shirt (plain white polo shirts are acceptable)
- Grey skirt, grey trousers or grey tailored shorts
- Tartan pinafore/tartan skirt
- Grey or black socks, grey or black tights
- Plain discretely branded sturdy black school shoes (trainers only allowed on PE days)
- An appropriate outdoor coat (*children will go out for fresh air and activity even if it's raining!*)
- A book bag
- Water bottle (containing water only)



We have linked the Uniform & Appearance Policy page on our website [here](#).

Engagement in Learning

All children will start the day on 'purple' as we believe that all children can demonstrate the correct behaviours for learning (SMART).

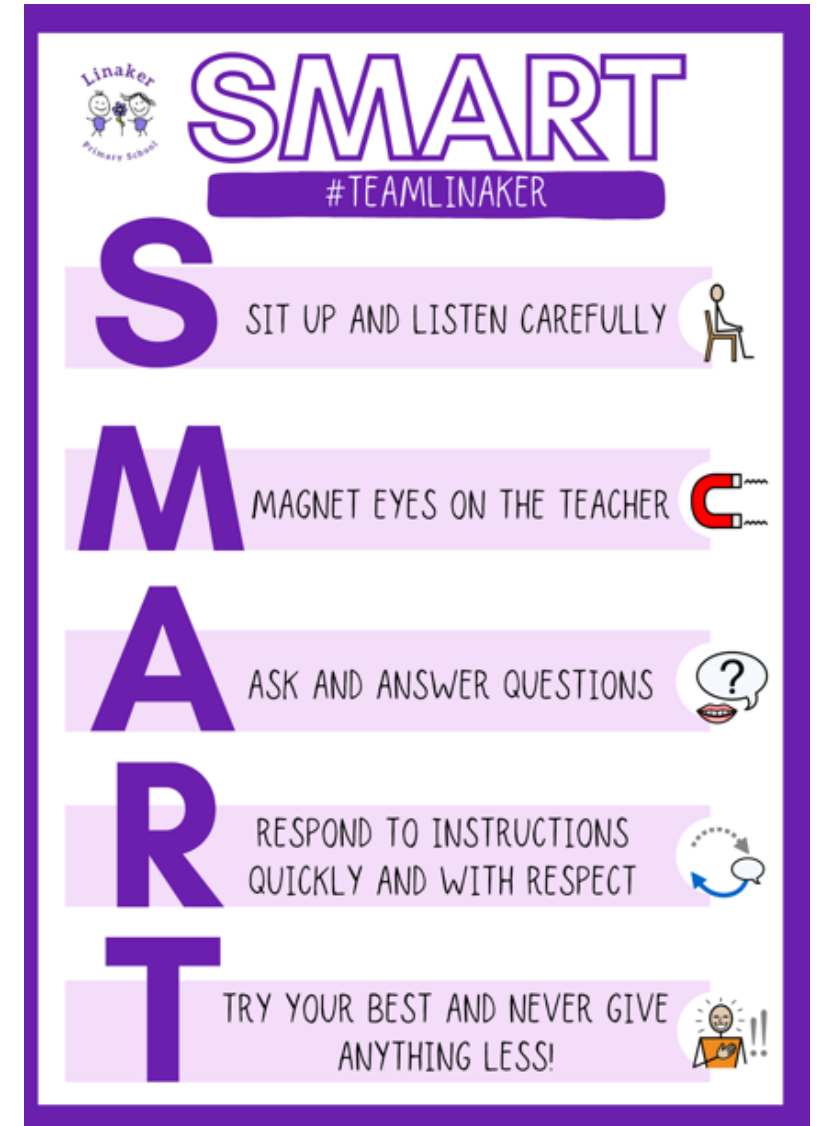
Poor learning behaviours will receive a warning and movement to 'Time to Think'. If learning behaviours continue to be poor, the child will move to 'Time to Change'. If behaviours improve the child will be returned to 'purple'.

Children that move to 'Time to Change', will spend time with their class teacher discussing the choices that have been made and ways the child can be supported to make the correct choices.

If the child continues to make the wrong choices, they will be moved to 'Time to Reflect'. Once on 'Time to Reflect' the children cannot move back to 'purple' until a reflection form has been completed with the class teacher.

If a child has two or more 'Time to reflect' in a half-term, parents will be invited into school to discuss concerns and how we best support them in the future.

SMART
Time to Think
Time to Change
Time to Reflect



Nursery - Autumn Term

Curriculum:

We have so much fun during our first term in Nursery! We love to make friends, explore our environment and get involved in lots of fun activities. We find out all about our nursery routines and class rules.

In Autumn term, we learn all about our body including our senses. We play instruments, taste different fruits, explore scents and textures and take part in circle times. We have daily literacy circle times where we focus on quality texts. Our maths activities are woven into our play, and we begin our phase 1 phonics lessons, where we practice our listening skills.

Home Reading:

In nursery, we bring home a library book to share with an adult. Books are changed every Wednesday. Children are learning how to look after books, hold them and carefully turn the pages. Listening to the same story a few times over the week will help us to build up our vocabulary and understand what is happening.

You can help me by asking me questions about the pictures and what happens next.

Key Dates:

2nd October – National poetry Day

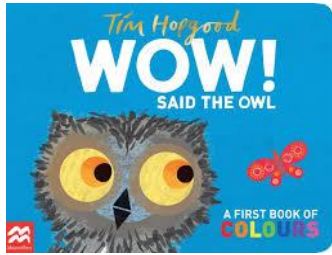
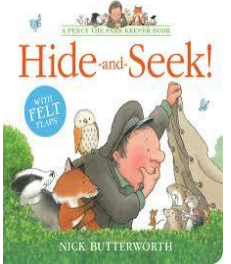
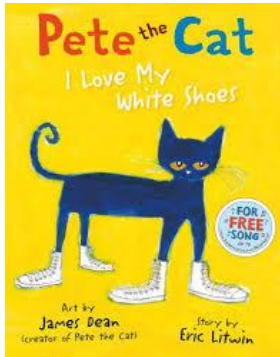
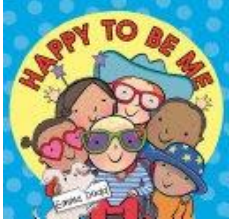
24th October – INSET Day

27th-31st October - Half Term

TBC – Christmas stay and play with crafts and singalong.

19th December – End of Term 1.30pm

Key Texts:



Nursery - Autumn Term

Reading:

We are introduced to our name cards in Autumn term and begin to recognise our own name when given a choice of 2 or 3 name cards. We are encouraged to recognise familiar print around us and to spot letters from our names. We learn about the key concepts of print, such as where the front cover of a book is and know that the words on the front are the name of the story.

We explore environmental sounds, instrumental sounds, rhyme and alliteration through our phase 1 phonics activities.

Writing:

We are learning to make marks with meaning, and we talk about what we have drawn. Eg. This is my mummy.

We begin to draw pre-writing shapes like circles and vertical lines.

Mathematics:

In Autumn term, we begin to count by rote to 5. We love to sing lots of number songs to help us.

We begin to compare quantities, using the language of more and less than.

We use one to one correspondence to count out up to three objects. We begin to recognise one item without counting it (Super Subitisers!).

We also begin to explore ABAB patterns.



The Linaker House System

At Linaker Primary School, our House System is at the heart of school life, bringing children together under the values of **Togetherness, Empathy, Aspiration, and Mutual Respect (TEAM)**. Every pupil belongs to one of four houses—**Botanic, Hesketh, Birkdale, or Ainsdale**—each inspired by our local Southport landmarks.

Through teamwork, attendance, effort, and positive behaviour, children earn house points that contribute to weekly totals. From sports competitions and creative challenges to academic tasks and values-based activities, the system celebrates every child's strengths while building resilience, school spirit, and a strong sense of belonging.

With regular recognition in assemblies, fun rewards, and friendly competition, #teamlinaker ensures that every achievement is noticed, every effort is valued, and every child feels proud to be part of their house.



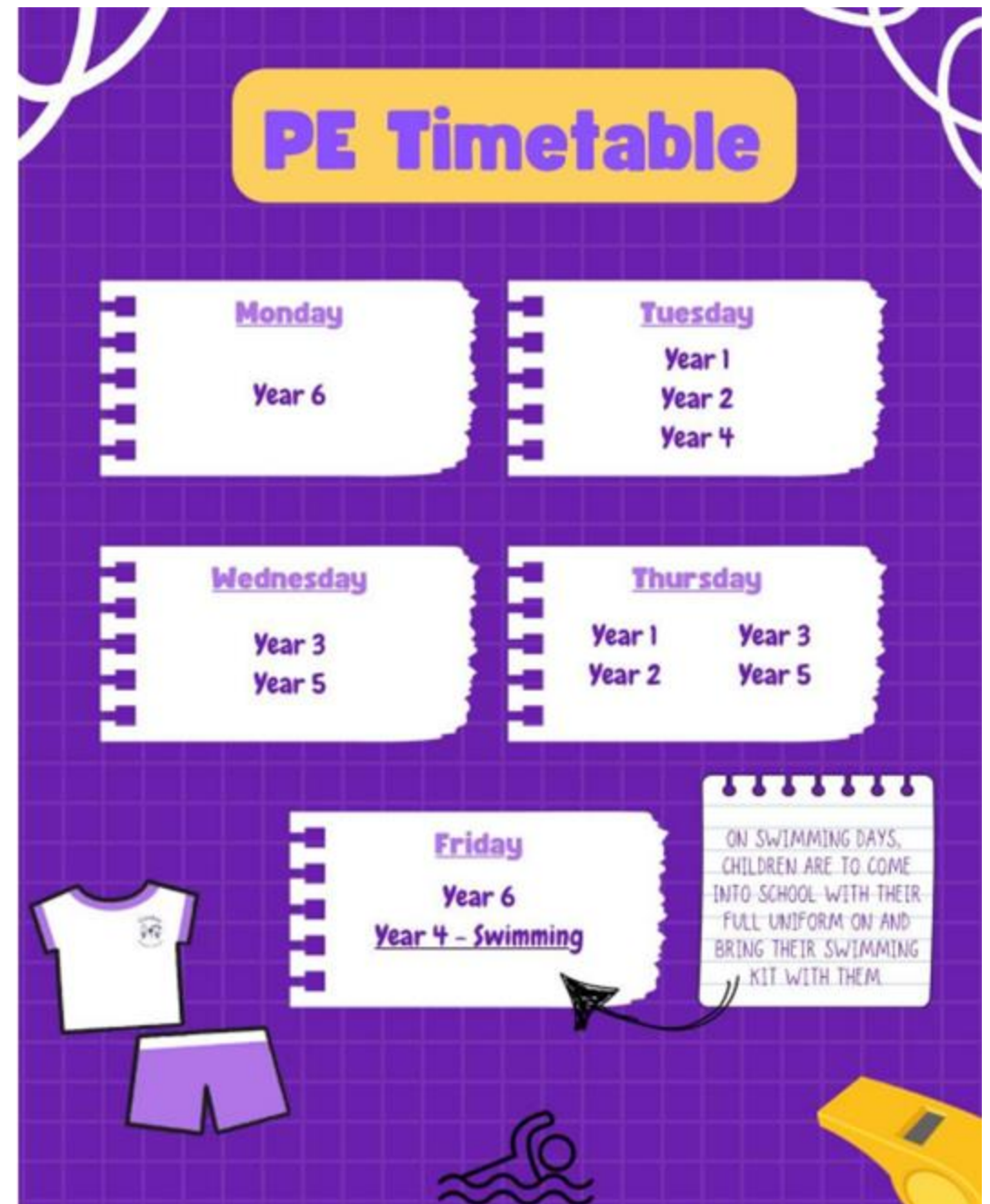
PE Days

On PE days, children must attend school in their PE kit, which consists of:

- LPS white PE t-shirt (round neck) or plain white t-shirt (round neck)
- Plain black shorts
- LPS purple sweatshirt/cardigan with embroidered school logo
- Plain black (non-branded) jogging bottoms, tracksuit or leggings
- Black plimsolls or trainers

On swimming days, please remember that children should attend in full school uniform and bring their swimming kit with them. Children will need a costume or fitted shorts/top, swimming cap and a towel.

Earrings must not be worn for PE or swimming days.



School Meals



The Launching of **Endeavour Eats** last year was a significant milestone in Endeavour Learning Trusts journey with our in-house catering teams. We believe by having the right people in place who are as passionate as we are about food, combining this with the best local suppliers and ingredients, we have a winning formula to make a positive difference for all our children!

Key points:

- School meals are ordered through Arbor.
- Please ensure that these are submitted prior to 11:30am on the day before the meal is required (e.g. if you want your child to have a meal on Wednesday, please place an order on Tuesday by 11.30 am)
- You can currently order meals for the entire term or you could you choose to complete the order on a weekly basis.
- Payment for school meals will now also be processed through Arbor
- For families who prefer packed lunches, you must select this option from the menu choices on Arbor.

Each morning during registration, class teachers will check the orders for that day making sure all children have a meal choice. Once selected, our kitchen team will be informed of their choice and the food will be freshly prepared for lunchtime!

We have linked the guidance on our website [here](#)!

ENDEAVOUR EATS

MENU - WEEK 1



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Traditional Main Course	Local Pork Sausage with Mash & Vegetables	Chicken Tikka with Rice & Naan Bread	Roast of the Day with Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Beef Burrito with Sweetcorn	Battered Fish with Chips & Peas
Pasta Pizza Noodles	Tomato & Basil Pasta	Macaroni Cheese	Vegetable Lasagne	Roasted Vegetable Pizza Slice	Sweet Chilli Stir Fry Veg & Noodles
Jacket Potato	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings
Deli Bar Wraps or Baguette with Salad	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo
Salad Bar	Available Daily	Available Daily	Available Daily	Available Daily	Available Daily
Dessert	Shortbread Biscuit, Fruit or Yoghurt	Mini Chocolate Cookie, Fruit or Yoghurt	Fruit Jelly, Fruit or Yoghurt	Sticky Toffee Cupcake, Fruit or Yoghurt	Vanilla Sponge, Fruit or Yoghurt

Week Beginning:

Monday 1st September
Monday 22nd September
Monday 6th October

ENDEAVOUR EATS


MENU - WEEK 2



Week Beginning:

Monday 8th September
Monday 29th September
Monday 13th October

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Traditional Main Course	Beef Burger in a Bun with Salad & Tortilla Chips	All Day Brunch Bacon, Egg, Beans, Mushrooms and Hash Browns	Roast of the Day with Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Sweet Potato and Cheese Swirl with Vegetables	Fish Fingers with Chips & Peas
Pasta Pizza Noodles	Tomato & Roasted Vegetable Pasta	Salmon with Cherry Tomato Baby Spinach and Noodles	Cheese & Tomato Panini Pizza with Sweetcorn	Spaghetti Bolognese	Vegetable Fajitas, Chips & Coleslaw
Jacket Potato	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings
Deli Bar Wraps or Baguette with Salad	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo
Salad Bar	Available Daily	Available Daily	Available Daily	Available Daily	Available Daily
Dessert	Fruit Flapjack, Fruit or Yoghurt	Lemon Sponge, Fruit or Yoghurt	Ginger Biscuit, Fruit or Yoghurt	Apple Sponge, Fruit or Yoghurt	Shortbread Biscuit, Fruit or Yoghurt



ENDEAVOUR EATS

MENU - WEEK 3

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Traditional Main Course	Chinese Chicken Curry with Rice	Beef Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Mash Potato	Roast of the Day with Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Butchers Sausage in a Bun with Tortilla Chips & Sweetcorn	Battered Fish with Chips & Peas
Pasta Pizza Noodles	Spaghetti with Tomato & Basil	Sweet and Sour Quorn with Noodles	Cheese, Tomato and Sweetcorn French Bread Pizza	Roasted Vegetable & Tomato Pasta	Quorn Spaghetti Bolognese
Jacket Potato	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings	Available Daily with a Choice of Fillings
Deli Bar Wraps or Baguette with Salad	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Freshly Prepared Daily Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo
Salad Bar	Available Daily	Available Daily	Available Daily	Available Daily	Available Daily
Dessert	Lemon Sponge, Fruit or Yoghurt	Fruit Jelly, Fruit or Yoghurt	Vanilla Biscuit, Fruit or Yoghurt	Flapjack, Fruit or Yoghurt	Jam Sponge, Fruit or Yoghurt

Week Beginning:

Monday 15th September

Monday 6th October

Monday 20th October

Free School Meals & Pupil Premium Funding

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a funded school meal, known as the **Universal Infant Free School Meal**.

We ask that families of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 who are **eligible to register for benefits-based Free School Meals continue to register**, as this attracts additional funding (Pupil Premium Grant) that the school can use to support children's learning.

If children are registered for **benefits-based Free School Meals**, the child and the school will benefit from additional funding (Pupil Premium Grant).

Your child may be able to get free school meals and pupil premium grant if you get any of the following:

- Universal Credit and have a net household income of less than £7,400 per annum.
- Income Support.
- Income based Jobseekers Allowance.
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance.
- Child Tax Credit ONLY (not entitled/receiving Working Tax Credit) and have an income of less than £16,190.
- Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit.
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit).
- Support under VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act

During the school holidays, Sefton Council provides vouchers - worth £15 per week per child - to those who qualify for Free School Meal

[You can fill out the form to apply here](#) or you can speak to the school office!

Our Before and After School Club (Wraparound Care)



At Linaker Primary School, we understand the importance of providing a safe, nurturing, and engaging environment for children beyond the traditional school day. Our **Wraparound Care Provision** is designed to support busy families by offering high-quality before and after school care that complements the school's ethos and values.

Whether your child joins us for a calm start to the day or stays after school for fun and enrichment, our dedicated team ensures every child feels happy, secure, and inspired. Activities include creative play, outdoor fun, quiet time, and opportunities to complete homework — all within a structured and caring setting. We aim to make wraparound care a seamless extension of the school day, giving parents peace of mind and children a place to thrive. We accept short notice ad-hoc bookings as well as long term bookings. Anyone that is interested in booking a place, please contact the school on 01704 532343 or email office@linaker.org.uk.

- **Charges:**

Before School Club: £5.00 (includes breakfast)

After School Club: £12.00 (includes snack)

- **The times of the 'Before & After School Club':**

Before School Club: 7.30am-8.45am

After School Club: 3.25pm – 5.55pm.

We have linked the
'Before & Afterschool
Club' page on our
website [here!](#)

Daily FREE Breakfast Club



Start your day the FREE breakfast club way!

Our new FREE breakfast club started on Wednesday 3rd September. Since the launch we have welcomed on average 40 children from all year groups each morning. Remember a FREE breakfast is on offer to all children...

-  Monday to Friday
-  8:25 – 8:45am (Entrance through the Sefton Street gate at 8:25am)
-  Main dining hall

Start your morning with a **free, healthy breakfast** – cereals, toast and water!

All children welcome – no need to book!



Linaker Primary School
Term Dates 2025/26



September

Mon	1	8	15	22	29
Tues	2	9	16	23	30
Wed	3	10	17	24	
Thurs	4	11	18	25	
Fri	5	12	19	26	

October

Mon		6	13	20	27
Tues		7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22	29
Thurs	2	9	16	23	30
Fri	3	10	17	24	31

November

Mon	3	10	17	24	
Tues	4	11	18	25	
Wed	5	12	19	26	
Thurs	6	13	20	27	
Fri	7	14	21	28	

December

Mon	1	8	15	22	29
Tues	2	9	16	23	30
Wed	3	10	17	24	31
Thurs	4	11	18	25	
Fri	5	12	19	26	

January

Mon		5	12	19	26
Tues		6	13	20	27
Wed		7	14	21	28
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29
Fri	2	9	16	23	30

February

Mon	2	9	16	23	
Tues	3	10	17	24	
Wed	4	11	18	25	
Thurs	5	12	19	26	
Fri	6	13	20	27	

March

Mon	2	9	16	23	30
Tues	3	10	17	24	31
Wed	4	11	18	25	
Thurs	5	12	19	26	
Fri	6	13	20	27	

April

Mon		6	13	20	27
Tues		7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22	29
Thurs	2	9	16	23	30
Fri	3	10	17	24	

Key:

Holiday



INSET Day



School closes
early



May

Mon		4	11	18	25
Tues		5	12	19	26
Wed		6	13	20	27
Thurs		7	14	21	28
Fri	1	8	15	22	29

June

Mon	1	8	15	22	29
Tues	2	9	16	23	30
Wed	3	10	17	24	
Thurs	4	11	18	25	
Fri	5	12	19	26	

July

Mon		6	13	20	27
Tues		7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22	29
Thurs	2	9	16	23	30
Fri	3	10	17	24	31

August

Mon	3	10	17	24	31
Tues	4	11	18	25	
Wed	5	12	20	26	
Thurs	6	13	18	27	
Fri	7	14	21	28	

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