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**To: COUNCILLOR SUSAN O'BRIEN
CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES
AND EDUCATION**

c.c. All Members of the Children, Families and
Education Select Committee
c.c. Rani Dady, Education Manager
c.c. Vikram Hansrani, Executive Director of Education
and SEND

Date: 27 September 2022

Non-Key Decision request

Form D

Hillingdon Maintained Schools' Term Dates 2024-27

Dear Cabinet Members

Attached is a report requesting that a decision be made by you as an individual Cabinet Member. Democratic Services confirm that this is not a key decision, as such, the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 notice period does not apply.

You should take a decision **on or after Tuesday 5 September 2022** in order to meet Constitutional requirements about publication of decisions that are to be made. You may wish to discuss the report with the Corporate Director before it is made. Please indicate your decision on the duplicate memo supplied, and return it to me when you have made your decision. I will then arrange for the formal notice of decision to be published.

Neil Fraser
Democratic Services Officer

Title of Report: Hillingdon Maintained Schools' Term Dates 2024-27

Decision made:

Reasons for your decision: (e.g. as stated in report)

Alternatives considered and rejected: (e.g. as stated in report)

SignedDate.....

Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Education

Hillingdon Maintained Schools' Term Dates 2024-27

Cabinet Member(s)	Councillor Susan O'Brien
Cabinet Portfolio(s)	Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Education
Officer Contact(s)	Rani Dady, Education Manager, Education & SEND
Papers with report	Hillingdon Maintained Schools' Term Dates for 2024-27 Academic Years (Appendix)

HEADLINES

Summary	Hillingdon Council school term dates have been published until July 2024. The next three academic years, from 2024-27, require approval before publishing to schools and residents.
Putting our Residents First	This report supports the following Council objectives of: <i>Our People</i> .
Financial Cost	None.
Relevant Select Committee	Children, Families and Education Select Committee.
Current Electoral Ward(s)	All.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Education approves the next set of school term dates to be published for the academic years of 2024/25, 2025/26, 2026/27.

Reasons for recommendation

This will ensure that maintained schools are open to teach pupils for 190 days and are required to set an additional 5 inset (teacher training) days per academic year within the framework provided, totalling to 195 school days.

Alternative options considered and rejected

None, however, the Cabinet Member could choose alternate term dates in consultation with officers and schools.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Maintained schools are required to be open for 195 days per academic year. Schools can use 5 of these days as inset days to train teachers. Pupils therefore need to be in schools for 190 days per academic year. By setting term dates in advance, this allows school leaders and governors to plan their inset days with additional notice. Staff and parents/ guardians will also benefit by enabling early holiday planning and this reduces the number of errors made with term date clashes to improve attendance.

Hillingdon has consulted with other London Boroughs to ensure that our term dates are coordinated regionally.

RESIDENT BENEFIT & CONSULTATION

To ensure all residents with school age children or who work in schools can plan effectively using the forward plan of term dates.

CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS

Corporate Finance

Corporate Finance has reviewed this report and concurs that there are no direct financial implications associated within the recommendations.

Legal

Term dates are determined by school employers. The local authority is the employer for community, voluntary-controlled, community special or maintained nursery schools. The Education (School Day and School Year) (England) Regulations 1999 require local authority-maintained schools to be open for at least 380 sessions (190 days) during a school year. There are no other legal issues arising from this report.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

NIL.

TITLE OF ANY APPENDICES

Appendix 1 - Hillingdon Maintained Schools' Term Dates for 2024-27 Academic Years

London Borough of Hillingdon

Maintained Schools' Term Dates for Academic Year 2024/25

Term	Dates	Days
AUTUMN TERM	Monday 2 September - Friday 18 October	35
School Holiday	Monday 21 October - Friday 25 October	
	Monday 28 October - Friday 20 December	40
School Holiday	Monday 23 December – Friday 3 January	
SPRING TERM	Monday 6 January - Friday 14 February	30
School Holiday	Monday 17 February - Friday 21 February	
	Monday 24 February - Friday 4 April	30
School Holiday	Monday 7 April – Monday 21 April (Easter weekend 18 April - 21 April)	
SUMMER TERM	Tuesday 22 April - Friday 23 May (May Day Bank Holiday 5 May)	23
School Holiday	Monday 26 May - Friday 30 May (Spring Bank Holiday 26 May)	
	Monday 2 June – Tuesday 22nd July	37
TOTAL		195

5 inset (teacher training) days to be set by schools and communicated directly to parents/ guardians – totalling to 190 teaching days in this academic year.

Public Holidays – subject to national change

Christmas Day	Wednesday 25 December 2024
Boxing Day	Thursday 26 December 2024
New Year's Day	Wednesday 1 January 2025
Good Friday	Friday 18 April 2025
Easter Monday	Monday 21 April 2025
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 5 May 2025
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 26 May 2025
August Bank Holiday	Monday 25 August 2025

London Borough of Hillingdon

Maintained Schools' Term Dates for Academic Year 2025/26

Term	Dates	Days
AUTUMN TERM	Tuesday 2 September - Friday 24 October	39
School Holiday	Monday 27 October - Friday 31 October	
	Monday 3 November – Friday 19 December	35
School Holiday	Monday 22 December – Friday 2 January	
SPRING TERM	Monday 5 January - Friday 13 February	30
School Holiday	Monday 16 February - Friday 20 February	
	Monday 23 February – Thursday 2 April	29
School Holiday	Friday 3 April – Friday 17 April (Easter weekend 3 April - 6 April)	
SUMMER TERM	Monday 20 April - Friday 22 May (May Day Bank Holiday 4 May)	24
School Holiday	Monday 25 May - Friday 29 May (Spring Bank Holiday 25 May)	
	Monday 1 June – Wednesday 22 July	38
TOTAL		195

5 inset (teacher training) days to be set by schools and communicated directly to parents/ guardians – totalling to 190 teaching days in this academic year.

Public Holidays – subject to national change

Christmas Day	Thursday 25 December 2025
Boxing Day	Friday 26 December 2025
New Year's Day	Thursday 1 January 2026
Good Friday	Friday 3 April 2026
Easter Monday	Monday 6 April 2026
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 4 May 2026
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 25 May 2026
August Bank Holiday	Monday 31 August 2026

London Borough of Hillingdon

Maintained Schools' Term Dates for Academic Year 2026/27

Term	Dates	Days
AUTUMN TERM	Wednesday 2 September - Friday 23 October	38
School Holiday	Monday 26 October - Friday 30 October	
	Monday 2 November – Friday 18 December	35
School Holiday	Monday 21 December – Friday 1 January	
SPRING TERM	Monday 4 January - Friday 12 February	30
School Holiday	Monday 15 February - Friday 19 February	
	Monday 22 February – Thursday 25 March	24
School Holiday	Friday 26 March – Friday 9 April (Easter weekend 26 March - 29 March)	
SUMMER TERM	Monday 12 April - Friday 28 May (May Day Bank Holiday 3 May)	34
School Holiday	Monday 31 May - Friday 4 June (Spring Bank Holiday 31 May)	
	Monday 7 June – Thursday 22 July	34
TOTAL		195

5 inset (teacher training) days to be set by schools and communicated directly to parents/ guardians – totalling to 190 teaching days in this academic year.

Public Holidays – subject to national change

Christmas Day	Friday 25 December 2026
Boxing Day	Saturday 26 December 2026 (Monday 28 substitute day)
New Year's Day	Friday 1 January 2027
Good Friday	Friday 26 March 2027
Easter Monday	Monday 29 March 2027
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 3 May 2027
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 31 May 2027
August Bank Holiday	Monday 30 August 2027