

Eldon Primary School Holiday Planner
Academic Year – 2026-2027

Autumn Term	
School Closed INSET	Tuesday 1 st September 2026
School Closed INSET	Wednesday 2 nd September 2026
School Opens	Thursday 3 rd September 2026
School Closes	Friday 23 rd October 2026
School Closed INSET	Monday 2 nd November 2026
School Opens	Tuesday 3 rd November 2026
School Closes	Friday 18 th December 2026
Spring Term	
School Opens	Monday 4 th January 2027
School Closes	Friday 12 th February 2027
School Opens	Monday 22 nd 2027
School Closes	Thursday 25 th March 2027
Summer Term	
School Opens	Monday 12 th April 2027
Bank Holiday – 1 Day closure	Monday 3 rd May 2027
School Closes	Friday 28 th May 2027
School Closed INSET	Monday 7 th June 2027
School Closed INSET	Tuesday 8 th June 2027
School Opens	Wednesday 9 th June 2027
School Closes	Wednesday 21 st July 2027

If you decide to take your children on holiday during term time you should apply in writing to the Headteacher on the correct form – leave will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances.

Please note that if you have requested a Leave of Absence that commences from September 2024 onwards, any Penalty Notice/s issues will be at the new rates and trigger the start of a three-year threshold period, as specified below.

- The number of unauthorised absences that may trigger a potential fine: 10 unauthorised absences (5 days) in a 10-school week period.
- The number of penalty notices that can be issued to a parent in respect of the same individual child: a maximum of 2 penalty notices will be issued (per parent, per child) within a 3-year period.
- For the first penalty notice issued to each parent in respect of the same individual child in a 3-year period: the amount of the penalty notice has increased from £120 to £160 if paid within 28 days and £60 to £80 if paid within 21 days.
- Any second penalty notice issued to the same parent in respect of the same individual child within 3 years of the date the first penalty notice is issued is now set at £160 to be paid within 28 days – NB: No discount for earlier payment is offered.
- Any further absences will proceed for prosecution in the Magistrate Court for the same parent in respect of the same child within 3 years of the date the first penalty notice was issued – The maximum fine the court can impose for a first offence is £1,000, per parent, per child. If, however, you have a history of offences of this nature you may be prosecuted under Section 444(1A) Education Act 1996 and the court can fine you up to £2,500 per child. Order payment of the prosecution costs, impose a Parenting Order and/or sentence you to a period of imprisonment of up to 3 months. This reflects the seriousness of unauthorised absence from school.