

City of Edinburgh School Holidays 2026/27

Term dates, holidays, in-service days and pupil return dates for every City of Edinburgh council school.

2026/27 dates are City of Edinburgh's own published calendar.

Term starts	12 August 2026
Term ends	29 June 2027
Summer holiday	30 June 2027 – 17 August 2027 (49 days)
In-service days	1

2026/27 holidays and in-service days

PERIOD	STARTS	ENDS	DAYS	TYPE
September Holiday	14 September 2026	14 September 2026	1	Holiday
October Holiday	12 October 2026	19 October 2026	8	Holiday
Christmas Holiday	21 December 2026	5 January 2027	16	Holiday
February Mid-Term Holiday	15 February 2027	19 February 2027	5	Holiday
Good Friday Weekend	26 March 2027	29 March 2027	4	Holiday
Spring Holiday	5 April 2027	19 April 2027	15	Holiday
May Day	3 May 2027	3 May 2027	1	Holiday
May In-Service Day	4 May 2027	4 May 2027	1	In-service
Victoria Day	24 May 2027	24 May 2027	1	Holiday
Summer Holiday	30 June 2027	17 August 2027	49	Holiday

When do pupils go back?

The first day pupils are back in class after each break, with weekends and any in-service day on the return already skipped.

After the September Holiday	15 September 2026
After the October Holiday	20 October 2026
After the Christmas Holiday	6 January 2027
After the February Mid-Term Holiday	22 February 2027
After the Good Friday Weekend	30 March 2027
After the Spring Holiday	20 April 2027
After the May Day	5 May 2027
After the Victoria Day	25 May 2027

Looking ahead: 2027/28

Confirmed. These 2027/28 dates are taken from City of Edinburgh's own published calendar. Where the council has not yet published the following August's return date, the end of the summer holiday is estimated from the usual pattern.

Term starts 18 August 2027 and ends 30 June 2028.

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September Holiday	20 September 2027	20 September 2027	1	Holiday
October Holiday	18 October 2027	25 October 2027	8	Holiday
Christmas Holiday	21 December 2027	5 January 2028	16	Holiday
February Mid-Term Holiday	14 February 2028	18 February 2028	5	Holiday

Spring Holiday	3 April 2028	17 April 2028	15	Holiday
May Day	1 May 2028	1 May 2028	1	Holiday
May In-Service Day	2 May 2028	2 May 2028	1	In-service
Victoria Day	22 May 2028	22 May 2028	1	Holiday
Summer Holiday	3 July 2028	15 August 2028	44	Holiday

Source

Free from EduSCOT, Scotland's education guide for parents. The live page at <https://eduscot.co.uk/school-holidays/city-of-edinburgh> carries the same dates plus a calendar (.ics) download, a comparison with any other council and the council's clothing grant and placing-request deadline. Official source: <https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/schools>