

SWANLEA SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

Attendance - Every day at school counts for your child's future

At Swanlea, we firmly believe that good attendance is key to students achieving their very best at school.

To support this, we comply with the local authority's instructions and do not grant permission for holiday leave during term time. Remember, every day counts for your child's education, and there are only 190 days when your child should be at school, with 175 days for everything else.

Parents/carers, choose Swanlea for their child's education because we have a proven track record of successful student attainment. Our Home / School Contract also outlines the following partnership between us:

'I understand the importance of the relationship between home and school in helping my child to achieve their potential in everything they do. I agree with the statements set out below and will make sure that I support Swanlea by working with teachers and my child to achieve these at all times.'

- 1. I will make sure that my child attends school every day and on time.***
- 2. I will ensure that any medical appointments are made outside school hours unless absolutely necessary.'***

With this in mind, I respectfully request that parents/carers refrain from booking holidays/trips during term time. Not only do these absences have a significant impact on your child's learning, you will also receive a Fixed Penalty Notice from the local authority.

To assist you with future bookings of holidays/trips, ensuring that they fall within the holiday timescales, I have attached a list of the agreed term dates issued by the local authority for the next 2 years. Our final dates may vary slightly, which will be advised at the beginning of each academic year, but term dates will always fall within the days overleaf.

We look forward to your continuing support.

Yours faithfully



Kabir Miah
Head of School



Brenda Landers
Executive Head

School term dates 2024/25

Autumn Term 2024

Period	Dates
Term 1	Monday 2 September 2024 to Friday 25 October 2024 (40 Days)
Half term	Monday 28 October 2024 to Friday 1 November 2024
Term 2	Monday 4 November 2024 to Friday 20 December 2024 (35 Days)
Christmas break	Monday 23 December 2024 to Friday 3 January 2025

Spring term 2025

Period	Dates
Term 3	Monday 6 January 2025 - Friday 14 February 2025 (30 Days)
Half term	Monday 17 February 2025 to Friday 21 February 2025
Term 4	Monday 24 February 2025 - Friday 4 April 2025 (30 Days)
Easter break	Monday 7 April 2025 to Monday 21 April 2025

Summer Term 2025

Period	Dates
Term 5	Tuesday 22 April 2025 - Friday 23 May 2025 (23 Days)
Half term	Tuesday 27 May 2025 to Friday 30 May 2025
Term 6	Monday 2 June 2025 to Thursday 24 July 2025 (39 Days)

Eid dates (approximate)

Event	Period
Eid Al-Fitr	30/31 March
Eid Al-Adha	7 June

Bank holidays 2024/25

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

School term dates 2025/26

Autumn Term 2025

Period	Dates
Term 1	Monday 1 September 2025 to Friday 24 October 2025 (40 Days)
Half term	Monday 27 October 2025 to Friday 31 October 2025
Term 2	Monday 3 November 2025 - Friday 19 December 2025 (35 Days)
Christmas break	Monday 22 December 2025 to Friday 2 January 2026

Spring term

Period	Dates
Term 3	Monday 5 January 2026 to Friday 13 February 2026 (30 days)
Half term	Monday 16 February 2026 to Friday 20 February 2026
Term 4	Monday 23 February 2026 - Friday 27 March 2026 (24 Days)
Easter break	Monday 30 March 2026 to Friday 10 April 2026

Summer Term 2026

Period	Dates
Term 5	Monday 13 April 2026 - Friday 22 May 2026 (except May Day Bank Holiday on 4 May 2026) (29 Days)
Half term	Monday 25 May 2026 - Friday 29 May 2026 (spring bank holiday on 25 May)
Term 6	Monday 1 June 2026 – Wednesday 22 July 2026 (38 Days)

Eid dates (approximate)

Event	2025/26
Start of Ramadan	Friday 18 February
Eid Al-Fitr	20 March
Eid Al-Adha	27 May

Bank holidays 2025/26

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