



Key Dates for 2026 - 2027

Our fortnightly newsletter, alongside Class Dojo, will include regular updates & reminders of upcoming school dates, but hopefully this overview of the majority of dates you need for this academic year will be helpful 😊.

Please note that full details/letters/timings etc will always be shared via letter or Class Dojo ahead of time to the relevant year groups or classes.

AUTUMN TERM

September 2026

Date:	Event:	Timings/Further information:
Tuesday 15 th	Meet the Teacher Come and meet your child/children's new teacher/s for the year 😊	8.45am - Music Room Years 5 & 6 (Kingfishers, Goldfinches, Kites & Kestrels) 
Monday 21 st	Meet the Teacher	8.55am – in Honeybees Class & Foxes Class Years 1 & 2
	Governors Meeting	4pm We will be advertising for two community governors in the next few weeks, so do keep an eye out if this of interest to you
Wednesday 23 rd	EYFS (Reception children) Phonics Meeting	9 – 9.30am  developed by Knowledge Schools Trust
Thursday 24 th	2027 New Starters Open Afternoon 	2pm start No need to book, just come along for 2pm and have a chat with our Head & Early Years Lead (Mrs Thompson & Mrs Harrison) followed by a tour of our lovely school 😊
	Meet the Teacher	8.55am – Music Room Years 3 & 4 (Wrens, Woodpeckers & Robins classes) 

Friday 25 th	Harvest Festival	8.50am (unfortunately this is for children only)
	Walk with the High Sheriff	2.45pm Representatives of Y5/6 will be invited to walk across Lenthay Common with the High Sheriff as she raises awareness of the County Lines drugs issues in Dorset
Tuesday 29 th	Art Day	All year groups will partake in some fabulous art opportunities with Darrell Wakelam at some stage across the three days 😊
Wednesday 30 th	Art Day	Darrell Wakelam

We have high hopes for Darrell's visit, as the welcome board he created with the children last time is so lovely 🥰



October 2026

Date:	Event:	Timings/Further information:
Thursday 1 st	Art Day	Darrell Wakelam
	2027 New Starters Open Afternoon	2pm start No need to book, just come along for 2pm and have a chat with our Head & Early Years Lead (Mrs Thompson & Mrs Harrison) followed by a tour of our lovely school 😊
From 03.10.26	NSPCC Kindness Week	
Monday 4 th	2027 New Starters Open Afternoon	2pm start No need to book, just come along for 2pm and have a chat with our Head & Early Years Lead (Mrs Thompson & Mrs Harrison) followed by a tour of our lovely school 😊
Friday 9 th 	#Hello Yellow	Children's Mental Health & Wellbeing Day Mufti Day – further details will be shared via Dojo, however children may wear anything comfortable in a sunny mood-boosting colour (that makes them feel happy)
	Science Workshops	@ Sherborne Girls'
Monday 12 th	Pack Monday	Not school related – but definitely a date to note 😊



Tuesday 13 th	Turing Project	Year 6 will be taking part in the 100 th celebrations of Alan Turing
	Sherborne Walk	Years 1 & 2 are exploring where they live on a local walk
Wednesday 14 th	Trip to Bovington Tank Museum	Years 5/6
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Thursday 15 th	Sherborne Walk	Years 1 & 2 are exploring where they live on a local walk
Friday 16 th 	Parent Celebration Assembly	2.30pm Parents will receive an invite to this if their child/children have been nominated for fantastic work during this first half-term.
Tuesday 20 th	Military Families Music Celebration at Sherborne Abbey	2pm Further details to follow (Year 6 with our military children)
Wednesday 21 st	Flu Vaccinations	Whole school . . .
Thursday 22 nd 	Fraser Portraits	School Photo Day 😊 Biggest smiles & smartest uniform needed!
	Come & Read	2.45 – 3.15pm EYFS (Caterpillars & Ladybirds) parents/grandparents are invited to come into school and read with the children 📖 🧑🏫
Friday 23 rd	Inset Day	No school for children today (& staff training off site)
Sunday 25 th	Clocks go back!	At least you might get a lie-in 🛌
Monday 26 th – Friday 30 th	HALF TERM	

November 2026

Date:	Event:	Timings/Further information:
Monday 2 nd	Start of Autumn 2	Everyone back to school today 😊🎈
Wednesday 4 th	Intergenerational Project	Residents from the Hayes Residential Home will be visiting and enjoying activities with Red Kites Class
Tuesday 10 th	Parent Evening	Appointments from 1.30pm until 5.45pm (start time for appointments dependent on class numbers)
Wednesday 11 th	Remembrance Service	10.45am (children only unfortunately)
Thursday 12 th	Parent Evening	Appointments from 1.30pm until 5.45pm (start time for appointments dependent on class numbers)
Mufti Days – these are non-school uniform days, sometimes with a theme (but not always), and sometimes with a request for a donation. Please note that as an inclusive school, we NEVER exclude anyone, so if you simply can't afford a cash donation, or to send something in, please still allow your child to wear Mufti (if they wish). Thank you 🙏		
Friday 13 th	Children in Need	Mufti Day – further details will be shared via Class Dojo
Monday 16 th	Anti-Bullying Week Odd Socks Day	Children may wear fun, bright, or mismatched socks today to celebrate individuality and uniqueness
		
Monday 16 th – Thursday 19 th	Phonics Week	9 – 9.30am EYFS/Reception parents are invited in to observe our Phonics Lessons this week. Please don't all come on Monday though 😊
Friday 27 th	Mufti Day	Children may wear their own clothes in exchange for a £1 contribution to our Christmas Service coaches, and a voluntary donation to the Sherborne Abbey (church) fundraiser (the Abbey are trying to install toilets at the Abbey to make visits easier for children and families)



December 2026

Date:	Event:	Timings/Further information:
Tuesday 1 st	Christmas!	Not quite obviously – but decorations and festivities are allowed to begin from here 😊
Thursday 10 th	EYFS Nativity	2pm Tickets will be arranged and allocated nearer the time. Please note that because of the size of our hall, tickets may be restricted to immediate family
Friday 11 th	EYFS Nativity	2pm
Monday 14 th	KS1 Nativity	2pm Tickets will be arranged and allocated nearer the time. Please note that because of the size of our hall, tickets may be restricted to immediate family
Tuesday 15 th 	KS1 Nativity	2pm
	Pantomime - Aladdin	Year 3 Trip to Westlands to watch the panto!
Wednesday 16 th	Christmas Fun Day	Class parties, staff panto, fun galore . . .
Thursday 17 th	Christmas Service	2pm @ Sherborne Abbey (church not school) Everyone is welcome to attend 2.45pm If you do not attend the service, please ensure that you are ready to collect your child/children from the Abbey at 2.45pm 🙏
PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO AFTER SCHOOL CHILDCARE AVAILABLE TODAY		
Friday 18 th	Inset Day	No school for children today
Monday 21 st – Friday 1 st January	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS 	

SPRING TERM



Sherborne Abbey
CE Primary School

January 2027

Date:	Event:	Timings/Further information:
Monday 4 th	Start of Spring Term	Everyone back to school today 😊🎈
Friday 8 th 	Parent Celebration Assembly	2.30pm Parents will receive an invite to this if their child/children have been nominated for fantastic work during Autumn 2. The invite will go out before Christmas.
Tuesday 12 th	Class Book Share Assembly	8.45 – 9.15am Kites Class (Year 6) will share their work with their parents.
Monday 18 th – Thursday 21 st	SCARF Workshops	Four days of workshops, which will include all children Year 6 will be on Monday 😊
Tuesday 19 th – Friday 22 nd	Year 6 Residential	Pendarren, Brecon, Wales
Tuesday 26 th 	Class Book Share Assembly	8.45 – 9.15am Kestrels Class (Year 6) will share their work with their parents.
Wednesday 27 th	Intergenerational Project	Residents from the Hayes Residential Home will be visiting and enjoying activities with Kestrels Class

YEAR 6

February 2027

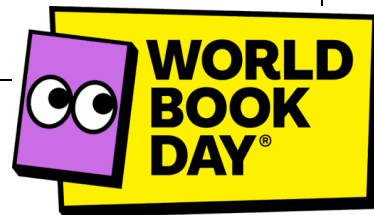


Date:	Event:	Timings/Further information:
Tuesday 2 nd	Class Book Share Assembly	8.45 – 9.15am Goldfinch Class (Year 5 & 6) will share their work with their parents.
	Come & Read	2.45 – 3.15pm EYFS (Caterpillars & Ladybirds) parents/grandparents are invited to come into school and read with the children 📖 📚
Tuesday 9 th	Class Book Share Assembly	8.45 – 9.15am Kingfishers Class (Year 5) will share their work with their parents.
	Shrove Tuesday	Aka Pancake Day!
Wednesday 10 th	Lent begins . . . 	
Friday 12 th	Safer Internet Day	In school activities
	Parent Celebration Assembly	2.30pm Parents will receive an invite to this if their child/children have been nominated for fantastic work during this half-term.
Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th	HALF TERM 	
Monday 22 nd	Inset Day	No school for children today
Tuesday 23 rd	Start of Spring 2	Children back to school today 😊🎈 
	Parent Evening	Appointments from 1.30pm until 5.45pm (start time for appointments dependent on class numbers)
Thursday 25 th	Parent Evening	Appointments from 1.30pm until 5.45pm (start time for appointments dependent on class numbers)



March 2027

Date:	Event:	Timings/Further information:
Monday 1 st	St. Davids Day	
	Governors Meeting	4pm
Tuesday 2 nd	Class Book Share Assembly	8.45 – 9.15am Robins Class (Year 3 & 4) will share their work with their parents
Thursday 4 th	World Book Day	Mufti Day Bedtime Stories theme for cosy reading
Friday 5 th	Music Concert	PM – Year 5 Singing Concert @ the Abbey
Tuesday 9 th	Class Book Share Assembly	8.45 – 9.15am Woodpeckers Class (Year 3 & 4) will share their work with their parents
Tuesday 16 th	Class Book Share Assembly	8.45 – 9.15am Wrens Class (Year 3 & 4) will share their work with their parents
Friday 19 th	Red Nose Day	Aka Comic Relief – we are very likely to do something funny for money!
	Parent Celebration Assembly	2.30pm Parents will receive an invite to this if their child/children have been nominated for fantastic work during this half-term.
Tuesday 23 rd	Class Book Share Assembly	8.45 – 9.15am Foxes Class (Year 2) will share their work with their parents.
Wednesday 24 th	Intergenerational Project	Residents from the Hayes Residential Home will be visiting and enjoying activities with Robins Class
Thursday 25 th	Easter Service	2pm @ Sherborne Abbey (church not school) Everyone is welcome to attend 2.45pm If you do not attend the service, please ensure that you are ready to collect your child/children from the Abbey at 2.45pm 🧑🏻🧑🏻
	PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO AFTER SCHOOL CHILDCARE AVAILABLE TODAY	





Friday 26 th	Good Friday	Bank Holiday
Monday 29 th – Friday 9 th April	EASTER BREAK	



SUMMER TERM

April 2027

Date:	Event:	Timings/Further information:
Monday 12 th	Inset Day	No school for children today
Tuesday 13 th	Start of Summer Term	Everyone back to school today 😊🎈 WELCOME BACK!
Thursday 15 th	Trip to the Newt	Year 3/4 class trip to the Newt
Tuesday 20 th 	Class Book Share Assembly	8.45 – 9.15am Squirrels Class (Year 1) will share their work with their parents.
	Trip to the Newt	Year 3/4 class trip to the Newt
Thursday 22 nd	Earth Day	Whole school project
Friday 23 rd	St. Georges Day	
Tuesday 27 th	Class Book Share Assembly	8.45 – 9.15am Honeybees Class (Year 1) will share their work with their parents.



May 2027

Date:	Event:	Timings/Further info:
Monday 3 rd	May Bank Holiday	No school for anyone 😊
Thursday 6 th	London Trip	Year 4 will visit London and watch a West End Show Definitely a late arrival home!



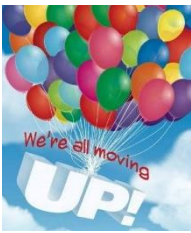


Monday 10 th – Thursday 13 th	Year 6 SATS Week . . .	
Friday 14 th	Year 6 Celebrations	Details to be confirmed . . .
Friday 21 st	Sports Day	AM – Reception & KS1 (9am start) PM – KS2 (1.30pm start)
Monday 24 th	Back up date for Sports Day	
Tuesday 25 th	Fraser Portraits	Class Photos
Wednesday 26 th	Intergenerational Project	Residents from the Hayes Residential Home will be visiting and enjoying activities with Woodpeckers Class
Friday 28 th 	Parent Celebration Assembly	2.30pm Parents will receive an invite to this if their child/children have been nominated for fantastic work during this half-term.
Monday 31 st – Friday 4 th June	HALF TERM 	

June 2027

Date:	Event:	Timings/Further information:
Monday 7 th	Start of Summer 2	Everyone back to school today 😊🎈 
	Year 4 MTC Tests (Times Tables)	Over the next two weeks Year 4 will sit their statutory MTC
Monday 14 th	Year 1 Phonics Screening	Over the next two weeks Year 1 will have their statutory phonics assessment
Tuesday 15 th	Leavers Service	Year 6 will attend Salisbury Cathedral for their Leavers Service (children only)
Thursday 17 th	Teddy Bears Picnic	The whole school will have a Teddy Bears Picnic at lunchtime
	Come & Read	2 – 3.15pm Reception will combine their Teddy Bears Picnic with a Come & Read session 😊



Wednesday 23 rd	Intergenerational Project	Residents from the Hayes Residential Home will be visiting and enjoying activities with Wrens Class
Friday 25 th 	Transfer/Move Up Day	Year 6 children will visit their new secondary school today. Everyone else will visit their new classrooms/teachers.
	2027 New Starters Visit	9.15am Further details will be shared nearer the time . . .
Monday 28 th	Inset Day	No school for children today
	2027 New Starters Visit	1.30pm Further details will be shared nearer the time . . .

July 2027

Date:	Event:	Timings/Further information:
Friday 2 nd	FoSAS Summer Fair	2pm start
Friday 9 th	Reception Celebration Assembly	9 – 10am Further details will be shared, but parents are invited in to celebrate their child's first year in school 😊
Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th	Dojo Shop	Children will spend their Dojo points this week
Thursday 15 th	UKS2 Play	6pm @ the Merritt Centre (Sherborne Girls) Further details will be shared in due course . . .
Friday 16 th	Parent Celebration Assembly	2.30pm Parents will receive an invite to this if their child/children have been nominated for fantastic work during this half-term.
Monday 19 th & Tuesday 20 th	Dojo Experiences	Water fights, fast food, ice cream treats! If your child chooses to spend their hard-earned dojo points on any of these, they will happen in these two days 😊
Tuesday 20 th	EYFS/Reception Superhero Day	Further details will follow . . .
Wednesday 21 st	Leavers Service	2pm @ Sherborne Abbey (church not school) Everyone is welcome to attend 2.45pm If you do not attend the service, please ensure that you are ready to collect your child/children from the Abbey at 2.45pm 🙏



**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO AFTER SCHOOL
CHILDCARE AVAILABLE TODAY**

Thursday 22 nd July – Friday 3 rd September	SUMMER HOLIDAYS 	
September 2027		
Date:	Event:	Timings/Further information:
Wednesday 1 st – Friday 3 rd	Staff Inset Days	No school for children
Friday 3 rd	Open Classrooms	For new children starting in Reception (or just new to Sherborne Abbey) there will be an opportunity to visit your new classroom before school starts on Monday  Timings will be confirmed . . .
Monday 6 th	Welcome Back . . .	The new school year begins . . . 2027 – 2028 
Useful abbreviations/acronyms to know:		
EYFS = Early Years Foundation Stage, which is basically the children who have just started school and are in their Reception year	KS1 = this is Key Stage 1, and is Year1 and Year 2 (old school Infants)	KS2 = Key Stage 2 and covers Year 3 to Year 6. LKS2 = Lower KS2 (Years 3 & 4) UKS2 = Upper KS2 (Years 5 & 6)
ASC = After School Childcare	BC = Breakfast Club	

