



## Leave of Absence and School Fines

If a parent or carer wishes to request a period of leave of absence for their child, they are required to write to the Headteacher by completing the appropriate leave of absence form, which can be collected from the school office. This should be done before any flights, holiday bookings or other arrangements are made.

**There is no entitlement to time off in term time.**

A school can only grant Leave of Absence if:

- The Headteacher believes the reason is exceptional

As the Headteacher, I can only grant a leave of absence for exceptional circumstances. A holiday or travelling abroad is not exceptional.

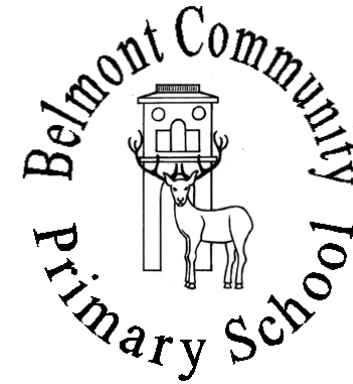
Absence which is taken and not authorised could be liable for a Fixed Penalty fine of £80 per parent, per child. The fine will be doubled to £160 if not paid within 21 days. Unpaid fines will result in court proceedings leading to a criminal record for unpaid fines.

Further information on school fines and possible exceptional circumstances can be found on the Lincolnshire County Council website:

[lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-attendance/school-fines](http://lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-attendance/school-fines)



***Spike says "attend school regularly, on time, enjoy learning and you will achieve"***



# Academic Calendar 2025-26

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## Term 1

Tuesday 2 September 2025 - INSET \*  
Wednesday 3 September 2025 - INSET \*  
Thursday 4 September 2025 - Pupils return  
Thursday 23 October 2025

## Term 2

Monday 3 November 2025  
Friday 19 December 2025

## Term 3

Monday 5 January 2026 - INSET \*  
Tuesday 6 January 2026 - Pupils return  
Friday 13 February 2026

## Term 4

Monday 23 February 2026 - Pupils return  
Thursday 2 April 2026

*Good Friday*  
*Easter Monday*

*3 April 2026 (Bank Holiday)*  
*6 April 2026 (Bank Holiday)*

## Term 5

Monday 20 April 2026—INSET \*  
Tuesday 21 April 2026 - Pupils return  
Friday 22 May 2026  
*Monday 4 May 2026 (Bank Holiday)*  
*Monday 25 May 2026 (Bank Holiday)*

\* INSET—School closed to pupils

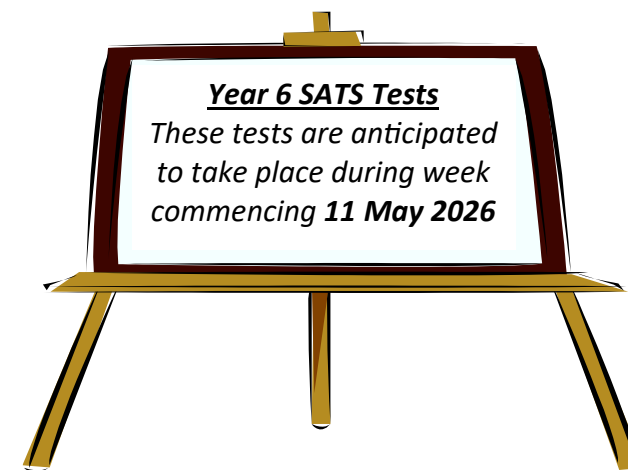
## Term 6

Monday 1 June 2026 —Pupils return  
Wednesday 22 July 2026

\* INSET—School closed to pupils.



### Other Important Dates



- It is very important that your child attends school leading up to the SATS tests as absence puts your child at a significant disadvantage.
- It is important that your child is in school during this test week as they cannot be taken at any other time.
- Leave of absence will not be authorised during SATS week for Year 6 pupils.

*Thank you for your continued support*