

# Essex County Council School Term and Holiday Dates for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools - Academic Year 2026-2027

| September 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    | October 2026  |    |    |    |    |    |    | November 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    | December 2026 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|---------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|---------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|---------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| M              | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  | M             | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  | M             | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  | M             | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  |
|                |    |    |    |    |    |    |               |    |    | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  |               |    |    |    |    |    | 1  |               | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  |
|                | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 5             | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 2             | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 7             | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 7              | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 12            | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 9             | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 14            | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 14             | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 19            | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 16            | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 21            | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 21             | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 26            | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |    | 23            | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 28            | 29 | 30 | 31 |    |    |    |
| 28             | 29 | 30 |    |    |    |    |               |    |    |    |    |    |    | 30            |    |    |    |    |    |    |               |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| January 2027   |    |    |    |    |    |    | February 2027 |    |    |    |    |    |    | March 2027    |    |    |    |    |    |    | April 2027    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| M              | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  | M             | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  | M             | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  | M             | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  |
|                |    |    |    | 1  | 2  | 3  | 1             | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 1             | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  |               |    |    | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  |
| 4              | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 8             | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 8             | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 5             | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 |
| 11             | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 15            | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 15            | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 12            | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 18             | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 22            | 23 | 25 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 22            | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 19            | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 25             | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |               |    |    |    |    |    |    | 29            | 30 | 31 |    |    |    |    | 26            | 27 | 27 | 29 | 30 |    |    |
|                |    |    |    |    |    |    |               |    |    |    |    |    |    |               |    |    |    |    |    |    |               |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| May 2027       |    |    |    |    |    |    | June 2027     |    |    |    |    |    |    | July 2027     |    |    |    |    |    |    | August 2027   |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| M              | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  | M             | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  | M             | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  | M             | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  |
|                |    |    |    |    | 1  | 2  |               | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  |               |    |    | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  |               |    |    |    |    |    | 1  |
| 3              | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 7             | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 5             | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 2             | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  |
| 10             | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 14            | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 12            | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 9             | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 17             | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 21            | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 19            | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 16            | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 24             | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 28            | 29 | 30 |    |    |    |    | 26            | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 23 | 24            | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |    |
| 31             |    |    |    |    |    |    |               |    |    |    |    |    |    |               |    |    |    |    |    |    | 30            | 31 |    |    |    |    |    |

- = Schooldays
- = School holidays
- = Bank holidays
- = Weekends

In addition, schools allocate five non-pupil days out of the school days indicated, or the equivalent in disaggregated twilight sessions.

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| <b>Autumn Term:</b> | Tuesday 1 September 2026 – Friday 18 December 2026<br><i>Half Term 26 October – 30 October</i>                  | 74 days  |
| <b>Spring Term:</b> | Monday 4 January 2027 – Thursday 25 March 2027<br><i>Half Term 15 February - 19 February</i>                    | 54 days  |
| <b>Summer Term:</b> | Monday 12 April 2027 – Wednesday 21 July 2027<br><i>Half Term 31 May – 4 June, and May Bank Holiday - 3 May</i> | 67 days  |
|                     |   | 195 days |

**Please note:**  
The above dates may vary for individual schools, especially Foundation, Voluntary Aided schools and Academies.  
You are strongly advised to check with your child's school before making any holiday or other commitments.