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Wiltshire  
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Headteachers & Clerks to Governors of  
all Wiltshire maintained Schools

LA Circ: A238/16

**Consultation – Response date 03 February 2017**

Dear Colleague

**SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2018/19 - Consultation**

I am writing to seek your views on proposed school term and holiday dates in Wiltshire for 2018/19, which are attached for your comments.

Previous consultations have indicated an overwhelming wish for schools to retain a calendar of 195 days, so as to permit the setting of five staff development days within term time dates. Wiltshire schools have also indicated a strong preference for a seven day October break.

There have been discussions with other Local Authorities in the South West Region in order to agree, as far as possible, common proposed dates.

It was agreed by the Schools Joint Consultative Committee at their meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> November 2016 to consult on 2 options.

**Option 1:** Shows a proposed calendar with a seven day October break, with term 6 ending on Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup> July.

**Option 2:** Shows a proposed calendar with a five day break in October, with term 6 ending on Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> July. This is the option favoured by several of our neighbouring authorities.

I should be grateful if you would circulate this consultation as widely as possible amongst your staff. I would also ask for your assistance in making parents and organisations local to your school aware of the consultation either by including details in a school newsletter and/or by drawing their attention to the details on the website.

A copy of this document has been forwarded to

- All schools for heads to co-ordinate a single school response taking into account the views of all staff
- your clerk to governor with a request that they co-ordinate a reply from the governors.
- The Wiltshire Council website ([www.wiltshire.gov.uk](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk)) where it can be located as a related page link on the schools and colleges page: [Terms and holidays | Wiltshire Council](#)

The results of this consultation will be collated and presented to the Schools Joint Consultative Committee prior to the final recommended model being determined by the Cabinet Member for Children's Services. All comments received will be taken into consideration during the final decision making process.

Please can I take this opportunity to encourage everyone to forward their comments by whatever means is convenient for you; by posting any comments/observations to the address below, or by e-mail to [directordce@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:directordce@wiltshire.gov.uk). The deadline for responses is **Friday 03 February 2017**. I look forward to receiving your views.

Yours sincerely

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SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2018-19  
OPTION 1



	August/September					October					November					
Monday		3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29			5	12	19	26
Tuesday		4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30			6	13	20	27
Wednesday		5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31			7	14	21	28
Thursday	30	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29	
Friday	31	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30	
Saturday	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		
Sunday	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		

  

	December					January					February					
Monday		3	10	17	24 31		7	14	21	28			4	11	18	25
Tuesday		4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29			5	12	19	26
Wednesday		5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30			6	13	20	27
Thursday		6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	31			7	14	21	28
Friday		7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25			1	8	15	22	
Saturday	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26			2	9	16	23	
Sunday	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27			3	10	17	24	

  

	March					April					May					
Monday		4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29			6	13	20	27
Tuesday		5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30			7	14	21	28
Wednesday		6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24			1	8	15	22	29
Thursday		7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25			2	9	16	23	30
Friday	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26			3	10	17	24	31
Saturday	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27			4	11	18	25	
Sunday	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28			5	12	19	26	

  

	June					July					August/September						
Monday		3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29			5	12	19	26	2
Tuesday		4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30			6	13	20	27	3
Wednesday		5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31			7	14	21	28	
Thursday		6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25			1	8	15	22	29	
Friday		7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26			2	9	16	23	30	
Saturday	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27			3	10	17	24	31	
Sunday	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28			4	11	18	25	1	

**Bank and Public Holidays 2018/2019**

Christmas Day Holiday	25th December 2018	Term 1	38
Boxing Day Holiday	26th December 2018	Term 2	35
New Years Holiday	1st January 2019	Term 3	30
Good Friday	19th April 2019	Term 4	30
Easter Monday	22nd April 2019	Term 5	23
May Day Holiday	6th May 2019	Term 6	39
Spring Bank Holiday	27th May 2019	TOTAL	195
Summer Bank Holiday	26th August 2019		

SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2018-2019  
OPTION 2

	August/September	October	November
Monday	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Tuesday	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Wednesday	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
Thursday	30 6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29
Friday	31 7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
Saturday	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24
Sunday	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25

	December	January	February
Monday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
Tuesday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Wednesday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Thursday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
Friday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22
Saturday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23
Sunday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24

	March	April	May
Monday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27
Tuesday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28
Wednesday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29
Thursday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30
Friday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31
Saturday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25
Sunday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26

	June	July	August/September
Monday	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26 2
Tuesday	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27 3
Wednesday	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
Thursday	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29
Friday	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
Saturday	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24 31
Sunday	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25 1

**Bank and Public Holidays 2018/2019**

Christmas Day Holiday	25th December 2018	Term 1	40
Boxing Day Holiday	26th December 2018	Term 2	35
New Years Holiday	1st January 2019	Term 3	30
Good Friday	19th April 2019	Term 4	30
Easter Monday	22nd April 2019	Term 5	23
May Day Holiday	6th May 2019	Term 6	37
Spring Bank Holiday	27th May 2019	TOTAL	195
Summer Bank Holiday	26th August 2019		