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**SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2021/22**

**Purpose**

1. The purpose of this report is to:
  - 1.1 confirm option(s) for school term and holiday dates for Wiltshire's Community & Voluntary Controlled Schools and Community Special Schools for the school year 2021/22.

**School Term & Holidays 2021/22 - Options**

2. The Wiltshire protocol (see Appendix 1) produces the term dates detailed in Appendix 2. Upholding the protocol stringently sees a seven day October break which runs from the 25<sup>th</sup> October to the 2<sup>nd</sup> November and establishes a two-week break at the beginning of April which is irrespective of the incidence of the Easter bank holidays. The school year starts on the first working day of September, which in 2021 is Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September. The last day of term would be Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July and would see a summer holiday of 5 weeks and 1 day.

The South West Local Authorities of Devon and Somerset consulted on a two year cycle last year so have already finalised their 2021/22 calendar (see Appendix 3). Discussions with the South West Officers confirm the preference for aligning with these dates, which sees the Easter bank holidays incorporated into the two week break, a five day October break, and a February break which runs from the 21<sup>st</sup> February to the 25<sup>th</sup> February. This calendar also sees the school year start on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September.

Appendix 4 shows a calendar which matches the preferred timings of the October, February, and Easter breaks, but which upholds the key planning date of the 1<sup>st</sup> September as detailed in the Wiltshire Protocol.

Appendix 5 shows a proposed calendar which also adopts the favoured seven day October break, and sees the last day of term falling on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July.

**Recommendation**

3. In order to match our neighbour's dates as closely as possible it is recommended that Wiltshire LA consults on the dates proposed in Appendix 4 and Appendix 5. This will give schools the opportunity to indicate their preference for either a longer October break or a longer summer break.

**Proposal**

4. This paper is requesting JCC to:
  - 4.1 confirm the proposed option(s) for consultation for school term & holiday dates 2021/22.

## **Wiltshire Council**

### **School terms and holidays - A protocol for setting dates**

- Start the school year on the first working day of September. (If this is a Friday, schools can make their own decisions about whether to make it a professional development day.)
- Start the third session ('term') on the first Monday of January. If this is the New Year public holiday, start on the next day (Tuesday).
- Make the 10 working days preceding the January return the Christmas and New Year holiday. (The last day of the second session will always be 18, 19, 20 or 21 December.)
- Divide the first two sessions with a holiday of seven working days (Monday of the first week to Tuesday of the second) and make the two sessions as nearly equal in length as possible.
- The third and fourth sessions should each be of 28-30 working days and end on the Friday preceding the first Monday of April. They should be separated by a week's holiday (Monday to Friday) in February. If the Friday preceding the first Monday of April is Good Friday, the fourth session should end the day before (Thursday).
- The fifth session should run from the third Monday of April to the Friday preceding the Spring public holiday (the last Monday of May). If the third Monday of April is the Easter Monday public holiday, start on the next day (Tuesday).
- The sixth session should begin on the first Monday of June and run for as long as is necessary to bring the total number of working days for the year to 195.

### **Consideration**

- It may be decided to vary by a day or two the start of the first session and the end of the sixth in order to
  - reduce the number of weeks in which there are fewer than five working days
  - maintain a nearly constant length for the summer holiday of 38-40 days

### **Key dates for planning**

- The first working day of September
- The first Monday of January
- The Friday preceding the first Monday of April
- The third Monday of April
- The Friday preceding the last Monday of May
- The first Monday of June

**Appendix 2**

**SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2021-22**  
Wiltshire Protocol



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

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

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

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

<u>Bank and Public Holidays 2021/2022</u>			
Christmas Day Holiday	27th December 2021	Term 1	38
Boxing Day Holiday	28th December 2021	Term 2	33
New Years Holiday	3rd January 2022	Term 3	29
Good Friday	15th April 2022	Term 4	30
Easter Monday	18th April 2022	Term 5	28
May Day Holiday	2nd May 2022	Term 6	37
Spring Bank Holiday	30th May 2022	TOTAL	195
Summer Bank Holiday	29th August 2022		

5 days are also available for professional training day closures during term time, set by the Headteacher and Governors of each school.  
Dates are correct at time of publication.

**Appendix 3**

**SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2021-22**  
SW LA confirmed calendar



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

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

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

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

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**Appendix 4**

**SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2021-22**  
SW 5 day October break



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

	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug/Sept-22
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Wednesday	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24 31
Thursday	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25 1
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**Appendix 5**

**SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2021-22**  
SW 7 day October break



	Sep-21	Oct-21	Nov-21
Monday	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29
Tuesday	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
Wednesday	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24
Thursday	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
Friday	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
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