



ST RAPHAEL'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

TERM & HOLIDAY DATES 2018/19



AUTUMN TERM 2018	
HALF TERM 1	
Monday 3rd September 2018	Inset Day 1
Tuesday 4 th September 2018	School Opens
Thursday 25 th October 2018	School Closes for Half Term
Friday 26 th October 2018	Inset Day 2
HALF TERM 2	
Monday 5 th November 2018	School Opens
Friday 21 st December 2018	School Closes for Christmas Holidays
SPRING TERM 2019	
HALF TERM 1	
Monday 7 th January 2019	School Opens
Friday 15 th February 2019	School Closes for Half Term
HALF TERM 2	
Monday 25 th February 2019	Inset Day 3
Tuesday 26 th February 2019	School Opens
Wednesday 10 th April 2019	School Closes for Easter Holidays
SUMMER TERM 2019	
HALF TERM 1	
Tuesday 23 rd April 2019	School Opens
Monday 6 th May 2019	Bank Holiday
Friday 24 th May 2019	School Closes for Half Term
HALF TERM 2	
Monday 10 th June 2019	School Opens
Tuesday 23 rd July 2019	School Closes for Summer Holidays

Total pupil days – 190

Total with Inset - 193

Autumn 1 – 38days

Spring 1 – 30 days

Summer 1 – 23 days

Autumn 2 – 35 days

Spring 2 – 32 days

Summer 2 – 32 days

Total - 73 days

Total – 62 days

Total – 55 days

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ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY



PLEASE NOTE

- We have tried to keep as close to the All Saints and Tameside calendars as possible.
- September and May are key assessment times for all children; absences at these times will be particularly disruptive.
- Please make every effort to arrange your family holidays during the school holidays, term time holidays lead to unauthorised absences and potential fines from the LA.
- If your child is not in school please telephone before 9.30am to notify school of the absence and the reason for the absence.
- As part of our attendance policy we will contact parents/guardians of any child not in school where no contact has been made.
- Absences will be classed as unauthorised unless notified otherwise.

ATTENDANCE

Good attendance is essential for all children so that they make their expected progress. The government expects the level of school attendance for all primary aged pupils to be no lower than 95%. For your information the following is a useful guide:

100%	=	Excellent attendance		
95%	=	Good attendance		
90%	=	4 weeks over the year	=	½ day absence every week
85%	=	6 weeks over the year		
80%	=	8 weeks over the year	=	1 day absence every week
75%	=	10 weeks over the year		
70%	=	12 weeks over the year	=	1½ days absence every week

We are aware that children may have specific illnesses that prevent them from attending school which can bring attendance levels down. Holidays and leave of absence authorised or not also have a detrimental effect on your child's education.

PUNCTUALITY

Arriving late for school has a detrimental influence as children can miss initial learning opportunities. Lateness can lead to a poor habit that can carry on in High School where they will miss a key social time at the start of day. To put this into context 10 minutes late every day is the equivalent of missing 6 full days in a year, while 30 minutes late every day is the equivalent of missing 4 full weeks in a year. In saying this we do realise that there are occasions where events occur that are out of parents control (weather/ late buses etc.) and we ask that you do leave enough time to make the journey safely.

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