

# CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2022-2023



## CABINET MEMBER BRIEFING

School term and holiday dates are set by the local authority for Community and Voluntary Controlled (VC) schools and maintained nursery schools. Own admission authority schools may not follow the term dates set by the local authority. As in previous years, we are proposing to consult on and publicise term dates for 2022-2023 and recommend that all the schools in Plymouth adopt them. Both Devon and Cornwall Councils are proposing to take the same approach. The dates for 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 have already been agreed and are available on the PCC website.

As with the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 dates, the proposed 2022-2023 dates for Plymouth schools closely match those proposed by Devon County Council and Cornwall Council, variations are due to Plymouth working on a 200 day calendar, Devon on 197 days and Cornwall on 195 days.

The proposed dates for Plymouth schools continue to support the City Council's aims of setting school terms of more or less equal length and reducing the number of part weeks at the beginning and end of terms.

The tables below compare the proposed dates for Plymouth, Devon and Cornwall Councils.

### 2022-2023

TERM	Plymouth	Proposed Devon	Cornwall – not available
1	5 Sept – 21 Oct	1 Sept - 21 Oct	
2	31 Oct – 16 Dec	31 Oct – 16 Dec	
3	3 Jan – 10 Feb	3 Jan – 10 Feb	
4	20 Feb – 31 March	20 Feb – 31 March	
5	17 April – 26 May	17 April – 26 May	
6	5 June -25 July	5 June – 25 July	

\* Governing bodies can choose to use three of their Occasional Days to make the February holiday a full week.

We propose to undertake wide-ranging consultations with stakeholders from March 9 2021 to March 23 2021 to ascertain the views of all interested parties on the proposed school term and holiday dates and report the outcome to you in due course. (see below)

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### Report on the outcome of the consultation: School term and holiday dates 2022-2023

A wide ranging consultation was undertaken to ascertain the views of all interested parties on proposed school term and holiday dates for 2022-23. The following individuals and organisations were consulted:

- Governing bodies, headteachers, staff, parents and pupils of Plymouth schools
- Pre-schools, nurseries and childminders
- Neighbouring local authorities
- Trade Unions
- Plymouth Association of Governors (PAG)
- Plymouth Association of Primary Heads (PAPH)
- Plymouth Learning Trust (PLT)
- Special Heads Association of Plymouth (SHAP)
- Plymouth Learning Partnership (PLP)
- Church Diocesan Boards of Education
- Further and Higher Education Colleges
- Local Members of Parliament
- Local City Councillors
- Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust
- Western Locality, NHS New Devon CCG
- Livewell South West
- Devon and Cornwall Constabulary
- Alternative Complementary Education Service (ACE)
- Plymouth Information, Advice and Support for SEN (PIAS)

2 responses were received: I had no issues with the proposed dates and I had no comment to make. Given the very few responses received it could be considered that there were no major concerns with the proposed dates.