

The little book of  
**#TeamAbbey**  
**Key Dates**  
**2025-26**

All the dates you need for the new  
school year ahead. . .  
and how you can be part of it!



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# Our Year Ahead Together

We are delighted to share with you our Third "Little Book" of Key dates for 2025-26. The book has been well received by our families last year and we wanted to continue with this.

Don't forget, you are also part of the same House as your child and at whole school events we want you to cheer along for your house with your child.

A small disclaimer: Some events may be added to the calendar if more opportunities arise from our community links.

Similarly, we may have to reschedule or cancel events due to extenuating circumstances. We will of course, always update you if this is the case.

We can not wait to see you this year and thank you for your continued support  
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# Term 11 September – October 2025

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	INSET DAYS No pupils in school	
3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Pupils return to school (Normal time)	
8th September	International Literacy day –The Big Write	
11th September	Family Coffee Morning (All Sites)	10:00am-12:00pm (All Sites)
12 <sup>th</sup> September	YST Cross Country @Abbey (Selected Pupils)	
16 <sup>th</sup> September	Flu vaccinations - main site only	
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Football League Match (Selected Pupils) Flu Vaccinations - Horizon hub	
24 <sup>th</sup> September	YST Netball Taster Day	
25 <sup>th</sup> September	British Food Tasting	Family Cooking Event 4:00-5:00pm (All Sites) <b>Ticketed Event</b>
25 <sup>th</sup> September	Adventure Challenge (Upper School) @ Rother Valley	
29 <sup>th</sup> September	School Photographer - Main Site (9am)	
1 <sup>st</sup> October	Adventure Challenge (Upper School) @ Rother Valley	
2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Y9 -Y14 Family Event Careers and Options	Families of Parents from Year 9 Post 16 (Main Site 10:00am - 12:00pm)
25 <sup>th</sup> September	Adventure Challenge Barnsley Horizon Pupils	
6th - 10 <sup>th</sup> October	World Space Week (Theme Living in Space)	
9 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening	<b>Parents Eve 4-6pm</b> Appointment options to be sent out via Seesaw
10 <sup>th</sup> October	World Mental Health Day -Pupils can wear Blue if they so wish.	
WC 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Black History Week to celebrate Black History Month - Enrichment Week	
14 <sup>th</sup> October	Boccia Competition (Selected Pupils)	
14 <sup>th</sup> October	Lower School Express Phase	Lower School Families 10:00-11:00am (Ticketed Event)
15 <sup>th</sup> October	Upper School and Horizon Express Phase	Upper School and Horizon Families 10:00am -11:00am (Ticketed Event)
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Pupils Break up for Half Term (Normal Time)	

# Term 1.2

## October – December 2025

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
3 <sup>th</sup> November	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)	
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Assembly and Presentation	
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Maths Functional Skills Exam (Selected Pupils)	
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Family Coffee Morning	10:00am-12pm (All Sites)
12 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Day	
12 <sup>th</sup> November	English Functional Skills Exam (Selected Pupils)	
14 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need Dress Up Day Girl Power Day	
WC 17 <sup>th</sup> November	GCSE Mock Examinations (Selected Pupils)	
Date to Be Confirmed	Football League Match	
21 <sup>st</sup> November	Art Enrichment Day (Pupils to come dressed in old clothes)	
25 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Fayre Pupils can wear a Christmas Jumper if they wish	All Sites 1:30-2:30pm
26 <sup>th</sup> November	Winter Wonderland Visits for pupils School Photographs (Horizon Site)	
28 <sup>th</sup> November	INSET Day No Pupils In School	
1 <sup>st</sup> December	INSET Day No pupils in School	
4 <sup>th</sup> December	Singing in the Community	
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner	
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Performance Lower School - St Thomas Community Centre Horizon - at the Horizon Hub	Ticketed Event Upper School and Horizon Christmas Performances <b>1:30pm Start.</b>
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Upper School and Post 16 Christmas Show Change of date Due to Venue availability	<b>1:30pm Start at St Thomas Community Hall - Ticketed Event</b>
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Church Visit	
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Disco and House Event	
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Pupils Break up for Christmas <b>2:00pm</b>	

# Term 2.1

## January – February 2026

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
5 <sup>th</sup> January	Pupils Return to School Normal Time	
8 <sup>th</sup> January	Family Coffee Morning	Coffee Morning All Sites (10:00am-12:00)
WC 12 <sup>th</sup> January	Exam Walk Throughs (Selected Students)	
15 <sup>th</sup> January	YST Dance Festival Preparation @ Take 2 Theatre (Selected Students)	
19 <sup>th</sup> January	Martin Luther King Day	
20 <sup>th</sup> January	Big Write Day	
27 <sup>th</sup> January	Holocaust Day Assembly	
3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Football League Match	
6 <sup>th</sup> February	Time to Talk Day	
9 <sup>th</sup> February	Express Phase Whole School (Both Sites)	Parents into school 10:00-11:00am
10 <sup>th</sup> February	Functional Skills Maths Examination (Selected Students)	
10 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day	
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Functional Skills English Exam (Selected Pupils)	
11 <sup>th</sup> February	YST Dance Festival @ Take 2 In Barnsley (Selected pupils and their families invited)	
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Valentines Disco	
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Pupils Break Up for Half Term	

# Term 2.2

## February – March 2026

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites	
23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)		
WC 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	GCSE/BTEC Mock Examinations		
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Football League Match		
5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day - Come dressed as a character from your favourite book		
6 <sup>th</sup> March	YST Girl Power Day 2		
WC 9 <sup>th</sup> March	British Science Week		
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Family Coffee Morning		10:00am-12:00pm (All Sites)
17 <sup>th</sup> March	YST Shooting Stars Girls Football Tournament @Millmoor Juniors (Selected Pupils)		
18 <sup>th</sup> March	EID Celebration		
20 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day (Donate £1)		
25 <sup>th</sup> March	Family Easter Egg Hunt		
27 <sup>th</sup> March	House Event PM		
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Pupils Break Up For Easter		

# Term 3.1

## April – May 2026

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites	
13 <sup>th</sup> April	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)		
15 <sup>th</sup> April	World Art Day		
16 <sup>th</sup> and 17 <sup>th</sup>	Exam Walk through and Functional Skills Resits (Selected Pupils)		
17 <sup>th</sup> April	Family Coffee Morning		10:00am-12pm (All Sites)
21 <sup>st</sup> April	Earth Day		Earth Day Community Event 2:00pm-3:00pm
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Forest Schools Eve		4-6pm (Ticketed Event) Main Site
28 <sup>th</sup> April	YST MATP Day		
4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday		
7 <sup>th</sup> May	VE Day		
7 <sup>th</sup> May	BTEC Sport Exam (Selected Students)		
11 <sup>th</sup> May	GCSE Lit Paper 1		
12 <sup>th</sup> May	GCSE Biology Paper 1		
12 <sup>th</sup> May	Football League Match		
13 <sup>th</sup> May	National Numeracy Day dress as a Rock Star TT Rockstar competition		
14 <sup>th</sup> May	GCSE Maths Paper 1 Non Calculator		
14 <sup>th</sup> May	Parents Eve	4-6pm (All Sites) Appointments sent Via Seesaw	
15 <sup>th</sup> May	Heritage Day - Come dressed to represent your Heritage		
18 <sup>th</sup> May	GCSE Chemistry Paper 1		
19 <sup>th</sup> May	GCSE Lit Paper 2		
20 <sup>th</sup> May	YST Upper School Athletics at Herringthorpe Stadium		
21 <sup>st</sup> May	English Language Paper 1		
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	House Event		
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Pupils break up for Half Term (Normal Time)		

# Term 3.2

## June – July 2026

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites	
1 <sup>st</sup> June	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)		
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Physics Paper 1		
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	GCSE Maths Paper 2 Calculator		
5 <sup>th</sup> June	GCSE English Language Paper 2		
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Eid Party - Come Dressed to Impress		
8 <sup>th</sup> June	GCSE Biology Paper 2		
9 <sup>th</sup> June	Functional Skills English		
9 <sup>th</sup> June	YST Adventure Challenge Primary (Selected Pupils)		
10 <sup>th</sup> June	GCSE Maths Paper 3 Calculator		
12 <sup>th</sup> June	GCSE Chemistry Paper 2		
15 <sup>th</sup> June	GCSE Physics Paper 2		
18 <sup>th</sup> June	EIS Secondary Sports Day (Selected Pupils)		
19 <sup>th</sup>	Girls Football Disney Shooting Stars (Selected Pupils)		
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Nexus MAT Sports Day Primary		
25 <sup>th</sup> June	Change Maker Summer and RSE Day		1:30pm-2:30pm Abbey School Main Site Families invited (Ticketed Event)
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Y11 Leavers Date and Prom 6:30-9:00pm		
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	YST Adventure Challenge -Horizon		
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	PRIDE Day (Sponsored Colour Dash)		1:30pm-2:30pm Abbey School Main Site Families invited (Ticketed Event)
6 <sup>th</sup> July - 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Weeks Begin - New School Year Begins		
6 <sup>th</sup> July	National Sports Week Begins		
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Inflatables Day		
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole School Bowling		
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Fixtures Day		
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Parents Evening and meet the new class teacher Appointment options to be sent		Parents Eve 4-6pm Horizon Oasis and Main Site
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day	1:30-2:30pm Abbey School Main Site Families invited (Ticketed Event)	
17 <sup>th</sup> July	House Event and Rock Festival		
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Pupils break up for Summer (Normal Time)		



*It takes a village  
to raise a child*