The little book of

#teamabbey Key Dates

2026–27

All the dates you need for the new school year ahead. . .

and how you can be part of it!

Abbey School

Inspire, Believe, Achieve

Horizon Community College

THE WAVE HUB

Our Year Ahead together

We are delighted to share with you our fourth "Little Book" of key dates for 2026-27. The book continues to be well received by our families and we are continuing with this way to share key dates

Don't forget, you are also part of the same House Team as your child. At our 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 1 September – October 2026

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
1st September	INSET DAY No pupils in school	
2nd September	Pupils return to school (Normal time)	
4th September	Pupil Leadership Elections	
8th September	International Literacy Day	
9th September	National Teddy Bear Day – Pupils in Lower School are invited to bring in a Teddy Bear	
11th September	Primary and Secondary SEND Cross Country (Selected Pupils)	
18th September	National Respect Day	
22nd September	Flu immunisation – Horizon hub only	
23rd September	Secondary Girls NET for all Taster Day (Selected Pupils)	
25th September	Macmillan Coffee Morning	Family Members are invited into school for our Family Coffee Morning 10:00am-12:00pm (All Sites)
28th September	School Photographer – Main site only	
29th September	World Heart Day	
30th September	Secondary Adventure Challenge – Rotherham (Selected Pupils)	
1st October	National Poetry Day	
1st October	Growing Futures – Families of Y9 –Y14 pupils are invited to the Careers and Options event where there will be a range of employers and Post 16 providers in attendance	Families of Year 9 - Post 16 **(Main Site 10:00am -12:00pm)**
5th October	World Space Week Begins	
8th October	Parents Evening	**Parents Eve 4-6pm** Appointment options to be sent out via Seesaw
9th October	World Mental Health Day –*Pupils can wear Blue if they so wish.*	
WC 12th October	Black History Week to celebrate Black History Month – Enrichment Week	
13th October	Lower School Express Phase	Lower School Families are invited into school from 1:30-2:30pm **(Ticketed Event)**
13th October	Primary and Secondary Boccia (Selected Pupils)	
14th October	Upper School and Horizon Express Phase	Upper School and Horizon are invited into school from Families 1:30-2:30pm **(Ticketed Event)**
Friday 23rd October	House Event 1 and Pupils Break up for Half Term (Normal Time)	

Term 1.2

October – December 2026

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
2nd November	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)	
11th November	Remembrance Assembly and Presentation	
10th November	Maths Functional Skills Exam (Selected Pupils)	
12th November	Family Coffee Morning 2	Family Members are invited into school from 10:00am-12pm (All Sites)
12th November	English Functional Skills Exam (Selected Pupils)	
13th November	Children in Need Dress Up Day Girl Power Day	
WC 9th November	GCSE Mock Examinations (Selected Pupils)	
20th November	Art Enrichment Day (Pupils to come dressed in old clothes)	
25th November	Christmas Fayre Pupils can wear a Christmas Jumper if they wish	Family Members are invited into school from 1:30-3:00pm (All Sites)
25th November	School Photographer – Horizon only	
26th November	Winter Wonderland Visits for pupils	
27th November	INSET Day No Pupils In School	
30th November	INSET Day No pupils in School	
3rd December	Singing in the Community (Selected Pupils) will be visiting local community care homes	
8th December	Christmas Performance **Horizon** – **at the YMCA**	**Ticketed Event** Horizon Christmas Performances **1:30pm Start.**
10th December	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day	
Monday 14th November	Christmas Performance **Lower School** **St Thomas Community Centre** -	**Ticketed Event** Christmas Performance **1:30pm Start.**
Wednesday 16th December	Upper School and Post 16 Christmas Show **St Thomas Community Centre**	**Ticketed Event** **1:30pm** Start at St Thomas Community Hall – Ticketed Event
Thursday 17th December	Church Visit	
18th December	Disco and House Event 2	
18th December	Pupils Break up for Christmas **2:00pm**	

Term 2.1
January – February 2027

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
4th January	INSET Day – No Pupils in School	
5th January	Pupils Return to School after the Christmas Break (Normal Time)	
WC 11th January	Exam Walk Throughs (Selected Students)	
12th January	Dance Show Preparation Day (Selected Pupils) Take2 Academy Theatre	
12th January	Year 9 immunisation for MenACWY – main site only	
19th January	Family Coffee Morning 3	Family Members are invited into school from **10:00am-12pm** (All Sites)
19th January	Big Write Day	
19th January	Immunisations HPV (Y8) D,T,P & Men (Y9) – Horizon site only	
27th January	Holocaust Day Assembly	
4th February	Time to Talk Day	
5th February	Chinese New Year	
5TH February	NSPCC Number Day	
9th February	Safer Internet Day	
9th February	Dance Show (Selected Pupils) TAKE2 Academy Theatre	Parents of Pupils participating in the show will be invited to attend
9th February	Functional Skills Maths (Selected Pupils)	
10th February	Functional Skills English (Selected Pupils)	
11th February	Express Phase Family Event – Journey of Learning Festival	Family Members are invited into school from **1:30-2:20PM** (All Sites- **Ticketed Event**)
12th February	Valentines Disco and House Event 3 **Pupils are invited to wear Non Uniform**	
12th February	Pupils Break Up for Half Term	

Term 2.2

February – March 2027

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
22nd February	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)	
22nd February	World Thinking Day	
WC 22nd February	GCSE/BTEC Mock Examinations (Selected Pupils)	
23rd February	I AM Festival Leadership Training (Selected Pupils)	
4th March	World Book Day – ***Pupils are invited come dressed as a character from their favourite book***	
8th March	International Women's Day	
9th March	Family Coffee Morning 4	Family Members are invited into school from **10:00am-12pm** (All Sites)
12th March	Eid al-Fitr Celebration	
15th March	British Science Week begins	
16th March	I AM Festival (Selected Pupils)	
17th March	Disney Football Festival (Selected Pupils)	
19th March	Red Nose Day (Donate £1) ***Pupils are invited to dress up***	
24th March	Family Easter Egg Hunt (All Sites)	Family members are invited to Abbey Main Site and the Horizon Hub **2:00pm-3:00pm** **This is a ticketed event**
25th March	House Event PM	
25th March	Pupils Break Up For Easter	
26th March	Please note that Friday 26th March is a BANK HOLIDAY – No Pupils In School	

Term 3.1
April – May 2027

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
12th April	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)	
15TH April	International Wellness Day	
22nd and 23rd	Exam Walk through and Functional Skills Resits (Selected Pupils)	
22nd April	Earth Day and Forest Schools Evening – **This is a ticketed Event held at the Main Site**	Families are invited into school for our Forrest School Evening **4:00-5:30pm**
29th April	World Wish Day	
3rd May	Bank Holiday	
10th May – 18th June	Exams	
13th May	Eid al-Adha Celebration	
13th May	Parents Eve	4-6pm (All Sites) Appointments sent Via Seesaw
14th May	Big Ideas/Heritage Day – **Come dressed as someone that represents one of our big ideas or to represent your Heritage**	
19th May	National Numeracy Day ***pupils are invited to dress as a Rock Star TT Rockstar competition***	
25th May	Express Phase Event Celebration ion of learning Discover, Create, Celebrate	Family Members are invited into school from **1:30-2:20PM** (All Sites- **Ticketed Event**)
27th May	House Event 5	
27th May	Pupils break up for Half Term (Normal Time)	
28th May	Please note that Friday 28th May is an INSET Day – No Pupils in School	

Term 3.2
June – July 2027

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
7th June	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)	
7th June	World Caring Day	
8th June	World Oceans Day	
8th June	KS2 Adventure Challenge (Selected Pupils)	
WC 14th June	National Sports Week	
18th June	Play Unified Football Festival (Selected Students)	
21st June	National Music Day	
24th June	National Writing Day	
25th June	Year 11-14 Leavers Day and **Year 11 Prom 6:30-9:30pm -Abbey Main Site**	
28th June	RSE Day	
2nd July	Summer Fair (All Sites) **This is a ticked Event**	Families are invited into school for our Summer Fair **1:30-2:30pm (All Sites)**
9th July	Pride Colour Dash – This is a sponsored and ticketed event – We will be asking our pupils to raise sponsor money for our school fund so that events like this can continue	**1:30pm-2:30pm Abbey School Main Site** Families invited (Ticketed Event)
12th July – 21st July	Transition Weeks Begin – New School Year Begins	
15th July	Parents Evening and meet the new class teacher Appointment options to be sent	Parents Eve 4-6pm (All Sites)
20th July	Sports Day	1:30-2:30pm Abbey School Main Site Families invited (Ticketed Event)
21st July	House Event and Rock Festival	
21st July	Pupils break up for Summer (Normal Time)	









It takes a village to raise a child

