

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISION

18 MARCH 2016

Executive Board Member:	Portfolio:
Cllr. G O Jones	Education & Children

Subject

School Terms and Holiday Dates for the Academic Year 2017/18

Purpose: Approval of the School Terms and Holiday Dates for the Academic Year 2017/18

Recommendations / key decisions required:

That the Executive Board Member approves the proposed School Terms and Holiday Dates for the Academic Year 2017/18.

Reasons:

To agree School Terms and Holiday Dates for the Academic Year 2017/18.

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Declaration of Personal Interest (if any):

None

Dispensation Granted to Make Decision (if any):

N/A

DECISION MADE:

Signed:

DATE: _____

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER

The following section will be completed by the Democratic Services Officer in attendance at the meeting

Recommendation of Officer adopted	YES / NO
Recommendation of the Officer was adopted subject to the amendment(s) and reason(s) specified:	
Reason(s) why the Officer's recommendation was not adopted:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER EDUCATION AND CHILDREN

18 March 2016

SUBJECT: SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAY DATES – ACADEMIC YEAR 2017/18

BRIEF SUMMARY OF PURPOSE OF REPORT

Welsh Ministers used the Education (Wales) Act 2014 to make legislative changes to how term dates are set in order to enable harmonisation of school term dates for all maintained schools.

These changes mean that local authorities and the governing bodies of voluntary aided and foundation schools must work with each other to ensure term dates are the same or as similar as possible. They can also be directed by the Welsh Ministers on what their term dates must be, if those dates are not harmonised, or if they need changing.

In line with this, the School Terms and Holiday Dates for 2017/18 were prepared following discussion and general consultation with neighbouring Authorities:

Term	Start	Half Term Starts	Half Term Ends	Term Ends
Autumn	Mon 4 th Sept 17	Mon 30 th Oct 17	Fri 3 rd Nov 17	Fri 22 nd Dec 17
Spring	Mon 8 th Jan 18	Mon 19 th Feb 18	Fri 23 rd Feb 18	Thurs 29 th Mar 18
Summer	Mon 16 th Apr 18	Mon 28 th May 18	Fri 1 st June 18	Tues 24 th July 18

Easter Sunday – Sunday 1st April 2018; May Day – Monday 7th May 2018

Comments were invited from Headteachers and one response was received concurring with the proposals.

Please note that the school terms and holiday dates approved by the Executive Board Member are subject to the harmonisation arrangements referred to above. Term dates are therefore not finalised until confirmation has been received from the Welsh Ministers.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

NO

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: Gareth Morgans Head of Education Services

Policy and Crime & Disorder	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Organisational Development	Physical Assets
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: Gareth Morgans Head of Education Services

1. Scrutiny Committee - n/a
2. Local Member(s) – n/a
3. Community / Town Council – n/a
4. Relevant Partners – n/a
5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations – n/a

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THERE ARE NONE.