

2026 SYSTEM CALENDAR - ACT PRIMARY TERM DATES, PUBLIC HOLIDAYS, AND FEAST DAYS

2026 ACT PRIMARY STAFF ATTENDANCE DATES		
TERM 1	27 January – 2 April	
TERM 2	20 April - 3 July	
TERM 3	20 July – 25 September	
TERM 4	12 October – 18 December	
2026 ACT PRIMARY STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS		
PRIOR TO TERM 1	27 January (ACT planning, preparation, faith formation, and staff development)^	
	28 January (ACT planning, preparation, faith formation, and staff development)^	
TERM 1	29 January (ACT planning, preparation, faith formation, and staff development)^	
	30 January (CECG system-wide professional development)	
TERM 2	20 April (CECG system-wide pupil-free day)^	
	3 July (CECG system-wide pupil-free day)^	
TERM 3	20 July (CECG system-wide pupil-free day)^	
TERM 4	12 October (CECG system-wide pupil-free day)^	
	18 December (CECG system-wide pupil-free day)^	
	2026 ACT PRIMARY STUDENT ATTENDANCE DATES	
TERM 1	2 February – 2 April	
TERM 2	21 April – 2 July	
TERM 3	21 July – 25 September	
TERM 4	13 October – 17 December	
2026 PUBLIC HOLIDAYS		
1 JANUARY	New Year's Day	
26 JANUARY	Australia Day	
9 MARCH	Canberra Day	
3 APRIL	Good Friday	
4 APRIL	Easter Saturday	
5 APRIL	Easter Sunday	
6 APRIL	Easter Monday	
25 APRIL	ANZAC Day	
1 JUNE	Reconciliation Day (ACT only)	
8 JUNE	King's Birthday	
5 OCTOBER	Labour Day	

[^] The School Professional Development Days Policy outlines the expectations and processes for all professional development days.

25 DECEMBER	Christmas Day
26 DECEMBER	Boxing Day (observed on 28 December 2026)

2026 FEAST DAYS		
18 FEBRUARY	Ash Wednesday	
2 APRIL	Holy Thursday	
3 APRIL	Good Friday	
5 APRIL	Easter Sunday	
6 APRIL	Easter Monday	
17 MAY	Feast of Ascension	
24 MAY	Pentecost Sunday	
8 AUGUST	Feast of St Mary MacKillop	
15 AUGUST	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
1 NOVEMBER	All Saints Day	
2 NOVEMBER	All Souls Day	
25 DECEMBER	Christmas Day	