



BISHOP VAUGHAN
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**Calendar 2026 – 2027
for parents and carers**

Term Dates 2026 – 2027

		Half Term Holidays		
Term	Term begins	Begins	Ends	Term ends
Autumn 2026	Tuesday 1 September	Monday 26 October	Friday 30 October	Friday 18 December
Spring 2027	Monday 4 January	Monday 8 February	Friday 12 February	Friday 19 March
Summer 2027	Monday 5 April	Monday 31 May	Friday 4 June	Tuesday 20 July

INSET Days

Tuesday 1 September
Wednesday 2 September
Friday 23 October
Monday 15 February
Monday 19 July
Tuesday 20 July

Parents' Evenings

Thursday 18 March 2027	Year 7 (in person at school)
Thursday 27 May 2027	Year 8 (online via School Cloud)
Thursday 25 February 2027	Year 9 (online via School Cloud)
Thursday 18 February 2027	Year 10 (online via School Cloud)
Thursday 4 February 2027	Year 11 (in person at school)
Thursday 19 November 2026	Sixth Form (online via School Cloud)

September 2026

Article 28 (right to education): Every child has the right to an education

Autumn Term 1 Paired Virtues: Faith-filled and Hopeful

Week 1	T	1	INSET day	
	W	2	INSET day	
	T	3	All pupils in school	
	F	4		
	S	5	International Day of Charity	
Week 2	S	6		
	M	7	Years 7 and 11 photographs with Colorfoto	
	T	8	International Literacy Day	
	W	9		
	T	10	Morning Mass: 9 am	
	F	11		
	S	12		
Week 1	S	13	Education Sunday	
	M	14	EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS	
	T	15		
	W	16		
	T	17	Morning Mass: 9 am	
	F	18		
	S	19		
Week 2	S	20		
	M	21	CATS testing begins this week International Day of Peace Scholastic Book Fair in school all week	
	T	22		
	W	23	Festival of Peace	
	T	24	Year 6 Cluster Transition Day 1 Morning Mass: 9 am	Years 5 and 6 Open Evening: 6-8 pm
	F	25	Year 6 Cluster Transition Day 2	
	S	26		
Week 1	S	27		
	M	28		
	T	29		
	W	30	Deadline for Year 12 option changes	

October 2026

Article 12 (respect for the views of the child): Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously

Autumn Term 1 Paired Virtues: Faith-filled and Hopeful

Week 1	T	1	Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	2	Gold DofE Final Expedition departs
	S	3	
Week 2	S	4	
	M	5	Gold DofE Final Expedition returns
	T	6	
	W	7	Senior Mathematical Challenge
	T	8	Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	9	
Week 1	S	10	World Mental Health Day
	S	11	
	M	12	
	T	13	ACE day
	W	14	
	T	15	Diwrnod Shw'mae Su'mae Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	16	
Week 2	S	17	International Day for the Eradication of Poverty
	S	18	World Mission Day
	M	19	Missio Fundraising Appeal Week
	T	20	
	W	21	
	T	22	Morning Mass: 9 am Upper School Presentation Evening: 7 pm
	F	23	INSET day Sixth Form Autumn Series data sent home to parents and carers
	S	24	
	S	25	
	M	26	
	T	27	
	W	28	
	T	29	
	F	30	
	S	31	

November 2026

Article 19: the right to be safe

Autumn Term 2 Paired Virtues: Eloquent and Truthful

Week 1	S	1	ALL SAINTS
	M	2	ALL SOULS GCSE NEW English Language and Literature Unit 1 (am)
	T	3	GCSE NEW Mathematics and Numeracy Unit 1 (am)
	W	4	
	T	5	GCSE NEW English Language and Literature Unit 4b (am) Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	6	GCSE NEW Mathematics and Numeracy Unit 2 (am)
	S	7	
Week 2	S	8	
	M	9	DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA
	T	10	
	W	11	GCSE NEW Mathematics and Numeracy Unit 3 (am)
	T	12	Morning Mass: 9 am Sixth Form Information Evening: 4.30-6.30 pm
	F	13	Year 11 Autumn Series data sent home to parents and carers
	S	14	
Week 1	S	15	
	M	16	Anti-Bullying Week Fluenz vaccinations day 1
	T	17	Fluenz vaccinations day 2
	W	18	Fluenz vaccinations day 3
	T	19	Year 5 Cluster Transition Day 1 Morning Mass: 9 am Sixth Form Parents' Evening: 4.00-6.30 pm
	F	20	World Children's Day Children in Need Fundraising Activities Year 5 Cluster Transition Day 2 Year 10 Autumn Series data sent home to parents and carers
	S	21	
Week 2	S	22	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
	M	23	Years 11 and 13 mocks this week
	T	24	
	W	25	
	T	26	Morning Mass: 9 am Christmas Fayre: 4.30-6.30 pm
	F	27	Year 9 Autumn Series data sent home to parents and carers
	S	28	
	S	29	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
	M	30	Year 11 Performing Arts - Assessment Day 1 (Main Hall) Year 11 Welsh Oracy Unit 1 exams this week

December 2026

Article 14: Every child has the right to think and believe what they choose and also to practice their religion, as long as they're not stopping other people from enjoying their rights

Autumn Term 2 Paired Virtues: Eloquent and Truthful

Week 1	T	1	Year 11 Performing Arts - Assessment Day 2 (Main Hall)	
	W	2		
	T	3	Morning Mass: 9 am	
	F	4	Year 8 Autumn Series data sent home to parents and carers	
	S	5		
Week 2	S	6	<i>SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</i>	
	M	7	Parish Carol Service: 6 pm	
	T	8	<i>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</i>	
	W	9		
	T	10	ACE day Morning Mass: 9 am	
	F	11	Year 7 Autumn Series data sent home to parents and carers	
	S	12		
Week 1	S	13	<i>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT</i>	
	M	14	End of term fundraising activities this week	Annual Carol Service at the Cathedral: 7 pm
	T	15		
	W	16	Whole school pastoral events	
	T	17	Performing Arts trip to Cardiff Morning Mass: 9 am	
	F	18		
	S	19		
	S	20	<i>FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</i>	
	M	21		
	T	22		
	W	23		
	T	24		
	F	25	<i>THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD</i>	
	S	26		
	S	27	<i>THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH</i>	
	M	28		
	T	29		
	W	30		
	T	31		

January 2027

Article 1: Everyone under the age of 18 has all the rights in the Convention

Spring Term 1 Paired Virtues: Learned and Wise

	F	1	MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
	S	2	
Week 2	S	3	
	M	4	Festival of Health this half term
	T	5	
	W	6	EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
	T	7	Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	8	
	S	9	
Week 1	S	10	BAPTISM OF THE LORD
	M	11	
	T	12	
	W	13	
	T	14	Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	15	Year 13 reports and Winter Series data sent home to parents and carers
	S	16	
Week 2	S	17	
	M	18	
	T	19	
	W	20	
	T	21	Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	22	
	S	23	
Week 1	S	24	
	M	25	St Dwynwen's Day
	T	26	ACE day
	W	27	Holocaust Memorial Day
	T	28	Intermediate Mathematical Challenge Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	29	Year 11 reports and Winter Series data sent home to parents and carers
	S	30	
	S	31	

February 2027

Article 29: Education must develop every child's personality, talent and abilities to the full

Spring Term 1 Paired Virtues: Learned and Wise
Spring Term 2 Paired Virtues: Curious and Active

Week 2	M	1	School Production show week (up to three evening performances)
	T	2	<i>PRESENTATION OF THE LORD</i>
	W	3	
	T	4	Morning Mass: 9 am Year 11 Parents' Evening and exam revision workshops: 4.00-6.30 pm
	F	5	Year 10 Winter Series data sent home to parents and carers
	S	6	
	S	7	Ramadan begins
	M	8	
	T	9	Safer Internet Day
	W	10	<i>ASH WEDNESDAY</i>
	T	11	
	F	12	
	S	13	Dydd Miwsig Cymru
Week 1	S	14	<i>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT</i>
	M	15	Diocesan INSET day
	T	16	
	W	17	Year 4 Cluster Transition Day 1
	T	18	Year 4 Cluster Transition Day 2 Morning Mass: 9 am Year 10 Parents' Evening: 4.00-6.30 pm
	F	19	Year 9 Winter Series data sent home to parents and carers
	S	20	
Week 2	S	21	<i>SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT</i>
	M	22	Year 11 Welsh Oracy Unit 2 exams this week
	T	23	
	W	24	
	T	25	Morning Mass: 9 am Year 9 Parents' Evening: 4.00-6.30 pm
	F	26	Year 12 reports and Winter Series data sent home to parents and carers
	S	27	
	S	28	<i>THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT</i>

March 2027

Article 13: Every child must be free to express their thoughts and opinions and have access to all kind of information

Spring Term 2 Paired Virtues: Curious and Active

Week 1	M	1	ST DAVID'S DAY Festival of Belonging this half term
	T	2	
	W	3	
	T	4	World Book Day Morning Mass: 9 am Year 9 Options Evening: 4.00-6.30 pm
	F	5	School Eisteddfod Year 8 Winter Series data sent home to parents and carers
	S	6	
Week 2	S	7	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
	M	8	
	T	9	Eid al Fitr
	W	10	
	T	11	Morning Mass: 9 am Lower School Presentation Evening: 7 pm
	F	12	Year 7 reports and Winter Series Data sent home to parents and carers
	S	13	
Week 1	S	14	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
	M	15	
	T	16	
	W	17	
	T	18	Morning Mass: 9 am Year 7 Parents' Evening: 4.00-6.30 pm
	F	19	ST JOSEPH
	S	20	
	S	21	PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION
	M	22	
	T	23	
	W	24	
	T	25	MAUNDY THURSDAY
	F	26	GOOD FRIDAY
	S	27	HOLY SATURDAY
	S	28	EASTER SUNDAY
	M	29	
	T	30	
	W	31	

April 2027

Article 24: Every child has the right to the best possible health

Summer Term 1 Paired Virtues: Intentional and Prophetic

	T	1	
	F	2	
	S	3	
Week 2	S	4	<i>DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY</i>
	M	5	<i>THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD</i>
	T	6	
	W	7	ACE day
	T	8	Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	9	Year 11 and Sixth Form Spring Series data sent home to parents and carers
	S	10	
Week 1	S	11	
	M	12	
	T	13	
	W	14	
	T	15	Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	16	
	S	17	
Week 2	S	18	
	M	19	
	T	20	Year 10 Performing Arts - Assessment Day
	W	21	
	T	22	Earth Day Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	23	
	S	24	
Week 1	S	25	
	M	26	
	T	27	Year 11 Performing Arts - Assessment Day 3
	W	28	
	T	29	Year 11 Performing Arts - Assessment Day 4 Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	30	

May 2027

Article 16: Every child has the right to privacy

Summer Term 1 Paired Virtues: Intentional and Prophetic

	S	1	
Week 2	S	2	
	M	3	MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY
	T	4	
	W	5	Junior Mathematical Challenge
	T	6	<i>THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD</i> Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	7	Celebration of Our Lady Year 12 study leave starts Bronze DofE Residential
	S	8	VE Day Bronze DofE Residential
Week 1	S	9	
	M	10	Levels 2 and 3 examinations begin
	T	11	
	W	12	
	T	13	Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	14	
	S	15	
Week 2	S	16	<i>PENTECOST</i> Eid al Adha
	M	17	<i>MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH</i>
	T	18	
	W	19	
	T	20	<i>OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST</i> Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	21	
	S	22	
Week 1	S	23	<i>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</i>
	M	24	
	T	25	
	W	26	
	T	27	Morning Mass: 9 am Year 8 Parents' Evening: 4.00-6.30 pm
	F	28	Leavers Masses for Years 11 and 13 Years 11 and 13 study leave starts
	S	29	
	S	30	<i>THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST</i>
	M	31	

June 2027

Article 6: Every child has the right to life. Governments must do all they can to ensure that children survive and develop to their full potential

Summer Term 2 Paired Virtues: Grateful and Generous

	T	1	
	W	2	
	T	3	
	F	4	<i>MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS</i>
	S	5	World Environment Day
Week 2	S	6	
	M	7	National Volunteers Week
	T	8	
	W	9	
	T	10	ACE day Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	11	Gold DofE Residential
	S	12	Gold DofE Residential
Week 1	S	13	Gold DofE Residential
	M	14	
	T	15	
	W	16	
	T	17	Year 5 Cluster Transition Sports Day Cup Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	18	Year 10 reports and Summer Series data sent home to parents and carers
	S	19	
Week 2	S	20	
	M	21	Exam week for Years 7 to 10 Years 7 to 9 - Maths and Science; Year 10 - all non-public exam subjects
	T	22	
	W	23	<i>NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST</i>
	T	24	Bronze DofE Final Expedition departs Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	25	Bronze DofE Final Expedition returns
	S	26	
Week 1	S	27	<i>ST PETER AND ST PAUL</i>
	M	28	
	T	29	
	W	30	

July 2027

Article 31: Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities

Summer Term 2 Paired Virtues: Grateful and Generous

Week 1	T	1	Morning Mass: 9 am
	F	2	ACE day Year 7 Summer Series data sent home to parents and carers Year 9 reports and Summer Series data sent home to parents and carers
	S	3	
Week 2	S	4	
	M	5	
	T	6	
	W	7	
	T	8	Morning Mass: 9 am Year 6 Cluster Transition Day 3
	F	9	Year 6 Cluster Transition Day 4 and Welcome Mass Year 8 reports and Summer Series data sent home to parents and carers Gold DofE Practice Expedition departs
	S	10	
	S	11	
Week 1	M	12	End of Year Fundraising Activities Week Gold DofE Practice Expedition returns
	T	13	Festival of Culture (day 1)
	W	14	Festival of Culture (day 2) Summer Concert: 7 pm
	T	15	Sports Day
	F	16	Whole school pastoral events
	S	17	
	S	18	
	M	19	INSET day
	T	20	INSET day
	W	21	
	T	22	
	F	23	
	S	24	
	S	25	
	M	26	
	T	27	
	W	28	
	T	29	
	F	30	
	S	31	

August 2027

Article 3: The best interest of a child must be a top priority in all decisions and actions that affect children

	S	1	
	M	2	
	T	3	
	W	4	
	T	5	
	F	6	TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD
	S	7	
	S	8	
	M	9	
	T	10	
	W	11	
	T	12	LEVEL 3 RESULTS DAY
	F	13	
	S	14	
	S	15	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
	M	16	
	T	17	
	W	18	
	T	19	LEVEL 2 RESULTS DAY
	F	20	
	S	21	
	S	22	
	M	23	
	T	24	
	W	25	
	T	26	
	F	27	
	S	28	
	S	29	
	M	30	BANK HOLIDAY
	T	31	