

The little book of  
**#teammabbey**  
**Key Dates**

**2024-25**

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 second "Little Book" of Key dates for 2024-25. The book was 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  
#teamabbey

# Term 11 September – October 2024

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	INSET DAYS No pupils in school	
4 <sup>th</sup> September	Pupils return to school (normal time)	
5 <sup>th</sup> September	STEAM Street Jobs Fair	
9 <sup>th</sup> September	International Literacy day -The Big Write	
12 <sup>th</sup> September	Flu Vaccination - Main site	
13 <sup>th</sup> September	YST Cross Country @Abbey Main site	
17 <sup>th</sup> September	Hesley Woods Team building L6-U3	
18 <sup>th</sup> September	Hesley Woods Team Building U4-U7	
24 <sup>th</sup> September	Football League Match	
24 <sup>th</sup> September	Family Coffee Morning	10:00am-12:00pm (All Sites)
26 <sup>th</sup> September	British Food Tasting	Family Cooking Event 4:00-5:00pm (All Sites) <b>Ticketed Event</b>
WC 30 <sup>th</sup> September	World Space Week	
30 <sup>th</sup> September	School Photographer - Main Site	
1 <sup>st</sup> October	Adventure Challenge (Upper School) @ Rother Valley	
3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Y9 -Y14 Family Event Careers and Options	Families of Parents from Year 9 Post 16 (Main Site 10:00am - 12:00pm)
8 <sup>th</sup> October	Adventure Challenge Barnsley Horizon Pupils	
10 <sup>th</sup> October	World Mental Health Day -Pupils can wear Blue if they so wish.	
15 <sup>th</sup> October	YST Boccia @ St Ann's Leisure Centre (Selected Pupils)	
17 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening	<b>Parents Eve 4-6pm</b> Appointment options to be sent out via Seesaw
WC 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Black History Week to celebrate Black History Month - Enrichment Week	
23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Step into Sport (Selected Classes)	
24 <sup>th</sup> October	Families into school for Black History Week	Families into school 2:00pm-3:00pm
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Pupils Break up for Half Term (Normal Time)	

# Term 1.2

## October – December 2024

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
4 <sup>th</sup> November	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)	
6 <sup>th</sup> November	YST Netball taster day	
7 <sup>th</sup> November	School Photographer - Horizon site	
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Assembly	
12 <sup>th</sup> November	Maths Functional Skills Exam (Selected Pupils)	
13 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Day	
13 <sup>th</sup> November	English Functional Skills Exam (Selected Pupils)	
15 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need Dress Up Day Girl Power Day	
WC 18 <sup>th</sup> November	GCSE Mock Examinations (Selected Pupils)	
19 <sup>th</sup> November	Family Coffee Morning	10:00am-12pm (All Sites)
21 <sup>st</sup> November	Football League Match	
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Art Enrichment Day (Pupils to come dressed in old clothes)	
28 <sup>th</sup> November	Winter Wonderland Visits for pupils	
29 <sup>th</sup> November	INSET Day No Pupils In School	
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	INSET Day No pupils in School	
4 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Fayre Pupils can wear a Christmas Jumper if they wish	All Sites 1:30-2:30pm
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Church Visit Pupils can wear a Christmas jumper if they wish	
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Lower School Christmas Show	1:30pm Start at St Thomas Community Hall - Ticketed Event
12 <sup>th</sup> December - Due to availability of hall	Christmas Performance Upper School - St Thomas Community Centre Horizon - at the Horizon Hub	Ticketed Event Upper School and Horizon Christmas Performances 1:30pm Start.
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner	
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Disco and Strictly Come Dancing House Event	
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Pupils Break up for Christmas 2:00pm	

# Term 2.1

## January – February 2025

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
6 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET Day no pupils in school	
WC 13 <sup>th</sup> January	Exam Walk Throughs (Selected Students)	
16 <sup>th</sup> January	YST Dance Festival Preparation @ Take 2 Theatre (Selected Students)	
17 <sup>th</sup> January	Family Coffee Morning	Coffee Morning All Sites (10:00am-12:00)
21 <sup>st</sup> January	Big Write Day	
24 <sup>th</sup> January	Holocaust Day Assembly	
29 <sup>th</sup> January	Chinese New Year	
29 <sup>th</sup> January	Families into school for Chinese New Year	2:00pm-3:00pm (All Sites)
4 <sup>th</sup> February	Football League Match	
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Numeracy Day - Come dressed as a Rockstar for Times Table Rockstar Competition	
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Functional Skills Maths Examination (Selected Students)	
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day	
12 <sup>th</sup> February	Functional Skills English Exam (Selected Pupils)	
12 <sup>th</sup> February	YST Dance Festival @ Take 2 In Barnsley (Selected pupils and their families invited)	
14 <sup>th</sup> February	Valentines Disco	
14 <sup>th</sup> February	Pupils Break Up for Half Term	

# Term 2.2

## February – March 2025

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
24 <sup>th</sup> February	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)	
24 <sup>th</sup> February – 7 <sup>th</sup> March	GCSE/BTEC Mock Examinations	
28 <sup>th</sup> February	INSET Day No pupils in School	
4 <sup>th</sup> March	Football League Match	
6 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day - Come dressed as a character from your favourite book	
WC 10 <sup>th</sup> March	British Science Week	
11 <sup>th</sup> March	YST Shooting Stars Girls Football Tournament @Millmoor Juniors (Selected Pupils) Date changed due to the availability of Venue	
13 <sup>th</sup> March	YST Girl Power Day 2 Date changed to 13 <sup>th</sup> Due to availability of venue	
14 <sup>th</sup> March	Family Coffee Morning	10:00am-12:00pm (All Sites)
21 <sup>st</sup> March	Red Nose Day (Donate £1)	
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Family Easter Egg Hunt	All Invited taking place at Abbey School Main Site 2:00pm-3:00pm
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Pupils Break Up For Easter	

# Term 3.1

## April – May 2025

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
14 <sup>th</sup> April	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)	
17 <sup>th</sup> April	Family Coffee Morning	10:00am-12pm (All Sites)
18 <sup>th</sup> April	Bank Holiday	
21 <sup>st</sup> April	Bank Holiday	
22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Earth Day	Earth Day Community Event 2:00pm-3:00pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Exam Walk thoughts and Functional Skills Resits (Selected Pupils)	
29 <sup>th</sup> April	YST MATP Day	
5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday	
8 <sup>th</sup> May	VE Day	
8 <sup>th</sup> May	BTEC Sport Exam (Selected Students)	
9 <sup>th</sup> May	BTEC Childcare Exam (Selected Students)	
12 <sup>th</sup> May	GCSE Lit Paper 1	
13 <sup>th</sup> May	GCSE Biology Paper 1	
13 <sup>th</sup> May	Football League Match	
15 <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
16 <sup>th</sup> May	Heritage Day - Come dressed to represent your Heritage	
19 <sup>th</sup> May	GCSE Chemistry Paper 1	
20 <sup>th</sup> May	GCSE Lit Paper 2	
21 <sup>st</sup> May	YST Upper School Athletics at Herringthorpe Stadium	
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	GCSE Physics Paper 1	
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	GCSE English Language Paper 1	
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Pupils break up for Half Term (Normal Time)	

# Term 3.2

## June – July 2025

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
2nd June	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)	
3rd June	Functional Skills Maths (Selected Pupils)	
4th June	GCSE Maths Paper 2 Calculator (Selected Pupils)	
6 <sup>TH</sup> June	GCSE English Language Paper 2 (Selected Pupils)	
5th June	Eid Party - Non Uniform Day (Dress in Your Best)	
9th June	GCSE Biology Paper 2 (Selected Pupils)	
10th June	Functional Skills English (Selected Pupils)	
10th June	Family Coffee Morning Main Site and Horizon	Families invited in 10:00am-12:00pm
10th June	YST Adventure Challenge Primary @ Rother Valley (Selected Pupils)	
11th June	GCSE Maths Paper 3 Calculator (Selected Pupils)	
13th June	GCSE Chemistry Paper 2 (Selected Pupils)	
16th June	GCSE Physics Paper 2 (Selected Pupils)	
16 <sup>TH</sup> June	National Sports Week Begins	
17th June	Whole School Bowling	
18th June	Inflatables Courage Day	
19th June	My Personal Best Day and Nexus Mat Secondary Sports Day (Selected Pupils)	
20th June	The Change Maker Festival (Summer Fair)	Families invited PM 1:00-2:30PM Main Site and Horizon Oasis Families invited Ticketed Event
23rd June	RSE Day	
24th June	Nexus MAT sports Day Primary	
25th June	PRIDE Day (Sponsored Colour Dash)	1:30pm-2:30pm Abbey School Main Site Families invited (Ticketed Event)
27th June	Year 11 Leavers Date and Prom	
1st July	Football League Match	
3rd July	YST Adventure Challenge -Horizon @Rother Valley	
9th July	Parents Evening and meet the new class teacher Appointment options to be sent	Parents Eve 4-6pm Horizon Oasis and Main Site
14th July -23rd July	Transition Weeks Begin - New School Year Begins	
18th July	YST Sports Day	10:00am-12:00pm Abbey Main Site (Ticketed Event)
23rd July	Pupils break up for Summer (Normal Time) Non Uniform	



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to raise a child*