The little book of

#Teamabbey Key Vates 2025-26

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







Our Year Ahead together

We are delighted to share with you our Third "Little Book" of Key dates for 2025-26. The book has been 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

September — October 2025

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Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
1 st & 2 nd September	INSET DAYS No pupils i	n school
3 rd September	Pupils return to school (Normal time)	
8th September	International Literacy day -The Big Write	
11th September	Family Coffee Morning (All Sites)	10:00am-12:00pm (All Sites)
12 th September	YST Cross Country @Abbey (Selected Pupils)	
16 th September	Flu vaccinations – main site only	
23 rd September	Football League Match (Selected Pupils) Flu Vaccinations - Horizon hub	
24 th September	YST Netball Taster Day	
25th September	British Food Tasting	Family Cooking Event 4:00-5:00pm (All Sites) Ticketed Event
25 th September	Adventure Challenge (Upper School) @ Rother Valley	
29 th September	School Photographer - Main Site (9am)	
1 st October	Adventure Challenge (Upper School) @ Rother Valley	
2 nd October	Y9 -Y14 Family Event Careers and Options	Families of Parents from Year 9 Post 16 (Main Site 10:00am – 12:00pm)
25 th September	Adventure Challenge Barnsley Horizon Pupils	
6th - 10 th October	World Space Week (Theme Living in Space)	
9 th October	Parents Evening	Parents Eve 4-6pm Appointment options to be sent out via Seesaw
10 th October	World Mental Health Day -Pupils can wear Blue if they so wish.	
WC 13 th October	Black History Week to celebrate Black History Month - Enrichment Week	
14 th October	Boccia Competition (Selected Pupils)	
14th October	Lower School Express Phase	Lower School Families 10:00-11:00am (Ticketed Event)
15 th October	Upper School and Horizon Express Phase	Upper School and Horizon Families 10:00am -11:00am (Ticketed Event)
Friday 24 th October	Pupils Break up for Half Term ((Normal Time)

Term 1.2 October — December 2025

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
3 th November	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)	
11th November	Remembrance Assembly and Presentation	
11 th November	Maths Functional Skills Exam (Selected Pupils)	
11 th November	Family Coffee Morning	10:00am-12pm (All Sites)
12th November	Anti-Bullying Day	
12th November	English Functional Skills Exam (Selected Pupils)	
14 th November	Children in Need Dress Up Day Girl Power Day	
WC 17 th November	GCSE Mock Examinations (Selected Pupils)	
Date to Be Confirmed	Football League Match	
21st November	Art Enrichment Day (Pupils to come dressed in old clothes)	
25 th November	Christmas Fayre Pupils can wear a Christmas Jumper if they wish	All Sites 1:30-2:30pm
26 th November	Winter Wonderland Visits for pupils	
	School Photographs (Horizon Site)	
28 th November	INSET Day No Pupils In	School
1st December	INSET Day No pupils in School	
4 th December	Singing in the Community	
11 th December	Christmas Dinner	
16 th December	Christmas Performance Lower School - St Thomas Community Centre Horizon - at the Horizon Hub	Ticketed Event Upper School and Horizon Christmas Performances 1:30pm Start.
17 th December	Upper School and Post 16 Christmas Show Change of date Due to Venue availability	1:30pm Start at St Thomas Community Hall - Ticketed Event
18 th December	Church Visit	
19 th December	Disco and House Event	
19 th December	Pupils Break up for Christm	as 2:00pm

Term 2.1 January — February 2026

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
5 th January	Pupils Return to School Normal Time	
8 th January	Family Coffee Morning	Coffee Morning All Sites (10:00am-12:00)
WC 12 th January	Exam Walk Throughs (Selected Students)	
15th January	YST Dance Festival Preparation @ Take 2 Theatre (Selected Students)	
19 th January	Martin Luther King Day	
20 th January	Big Write Day	
27 th January	Holocaust Day Assembly	
3 rd February	Football League Match	
6 th February	Time to Talk Day	
9 [™] February	Express Phase Whole School (Both Sites)	Parents into school 10:00- 11:00am
10 th February	Functional Skills Maths Examination (Selected Students)	
10th February	Safer Internet Day	
11 th February	Functional Skills English Exam (Selected Pupils)	
11 th February	YST Dance Festival @ Take 2 In Barnsley (Selected pupils and their families invited)	
13 th February	Valentines Disco	
13 th February	Pupils Break Up for Hal	f Term

Term 2.2 February — March 2026

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
23 rd February	Pupils return to school (Nor	rmal Time)
WC 23 rd February	GCSE/BTEC Mock Examinations	
3 rd March	Football League Match	
5th March	World Book Day - Come dressed as a character from your favourite book	
6 TH March	YST Girl Power Day 2	
WC 9 th March	British Science Week	
12 th March	Family Coffee Morning	10:00am-12:00pm (All Sites)
17th March	YST Shooting Stars Girls Football Tournament @Millmooor Juniors (Selected Pupils)	
18 th March	EID Celebration	
20 th March	Red Nose Day (Donate £1)	
25 th March	Family Easter Egg Hunt	All Invited taking place at Abbey School Main Site 2:00pm- 3:00pm
27 th March	House Event PM	
27 th March	Pupils Break Up For Ed	aster

Term 3.1 April — May 2026

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
13 th April	Pupils return to school (Normal Time)	
15™ April	World Art Day	
16 th and 17 th	Exam Walk through and Functional Skills Resits (Selected Pupils)	
17 th April	Family Coffee Morning	10:00am-12pm (All Sites)
21 ST April	Earth Day	Earth Day Community Event 2:00pm-3:00pm
23 rd April	Forest Schools Eve	4-6pm (Ticketed Event) Main Site
28 th April	YST MATP Day	
4 th May	Bank Holiday	
7 TH May	VE Day	
7 [™] May	BTEC Sport Exam (Selected Students)	
11 th May	GCSE Lit Paper 1	
12th May	GCSE Biology Paper 1	
12 th May	Football League Match	
13 th May	National Numeracy Day dress as a Rock Star TT Rockstar competition	
14 th May	GCSE Maths Paper 1 Non Calculator	
14 th May	Parents Eve	4-6pm (All Sites) Appointments sent Via Seesaw
15 th May	Heritage Day - Come dressed to represent your Heritage	
18 th May	GCSE Chemistry Paper 1	
19 th May	GCSE Lit Paper 2	
20 th May	YST Upper School Athletics at Herringthorpe Stadium	
21st May	English Language Paper 1	
22nd May	House Event	
22 nd May	Pupils break up for Half Term ((Normal Time)

Term 3.2 June — July 2026

Date	Whole school events/ pupil experiences	Family Invites
1st June	Pupils return to school (No	rmal Time)
2 ND June	Physics Paper 1	
3 rd June	GCSE Maths Paper 2 Calculator (Selected Pupils)	
5 [™] June	GCSE English Language Paper 2 (Selected Pupils)	
3 rd June	Eid Party - Come Dressed to Impress	
8 [™] June	GCSE Biology Paper 2 (Selected Pupils)	
9th June	Functional Skills English (Selected Pupils)	
9 th June	YST Adventure Challenge Primary @ Rother Valley (Selected Pupils)	
10 TH June	GCSE Maths Paper 3 Calculator (Selected Pupils)	
12th June	GCSE Chemistry Paper 2 (Selected Pupils)	
15 th June	GCSE Physics Paper 2 (Selected Pupils)	
15 ^{†H} June	National Sports Week Begins	
16 th June	Whole School Bowling	
17 th June	Courage Day	
18 th June	My Personal Best Day	
19 th June	Change Maker Summer Fair	1:30pm-2:30pm Abbey School Main Site Families invited (Ticketed Event)
23 rd June	Nexus MAT sports Day Primary	
25 th June	RSE Day	
26 th June	Y11 Leavers Date and Prom 6:30-9:00pm	
2nd July	YST Adventure Challenge -Horizon @Rother Valley	
3 rd July	PRIDE Day (Sponsored Colour Dash)	1:30pm-2:30pm Abbey School Main Site Families invited (Ticketed Event)
9th July	Parents Evening and meet the new class teacher Appointment options to be sent	Parents Eve 4-6pm Horizon Oasis and Main Site
6 th July - 17th July	Transition Weeks Begin - New School Year Begins	
17 th July	House Event	
17 th July	Pupils break up for Summer (N	Normal Time)





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