

BRISTNALL HALL TECHNOLOGY COLLEGE

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

SEPTEMBER 2011 - JULY 2012

PLEASE SEE OVER FOR INFORMATION REGARDING FAMILY HOLIDAYS TAKEN DURING TERM TIME. HOLIDAYS TAKEN DURING TERM TIME MAY PREVENT YOUR CHILD BEING INVOLVED IN REWARD TRIPS.

(School closes for summer on Thursday 21st July 2011 at 12.25pm)

AUTUMN TERM

School Opens
(*Training Day*)

Tuesday 6th September 2011
Monday 5th September 2011)

HALF-TERM

School Closes
School Opens

Friday 21st October 2011
Monday 31st October 2011

CHRISTMAS

School Closes
School Opens
(*Training Day*)

Friday 16th December 2011
Wednesday 4th January 2012
Tuesday 3rd January 2012)

HALF-TERM

School Closes
School Opens

Friday 10th February 2012
Monday 20th February 2012

EASTER

School Closes
School Opens
(*Training Day*)

Friday 30th March 2012
Tuesday 17th April 2012
Monday 16th April 2012)

ELECTION DAY

School Closed

Thursday 3rd May 2012

Training Day

Friday 4th May 2012

MAY DAY

School Closed

Monday 7th May 2012

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY

School Closes
School Opens

Friday 1st June 2012
Monday 11th June 2012

SUMMER

School closes

Friday 20th July 2012

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT HOLIDAYS TAKEN DURING TERM TIME MAY PREVENT YOUR CHILD BEING INVOLVED IN END OF TERM REWARD TRIPS.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I WANT TO TAKE MY CHILD ON HOLIDAY IN TERM TIME?

Parents/Carers are urged to avoid booking family holidays in term time. Guidance from the Government (DCSF 10/99) states that parents should **not** normally take pupils on holiday during term time. However, you may request up to 10 school days absence in a school year, but it is **at the discretion of the school and its Governing Body** whether the absence will be authorised. Ten school days results in less than 95% attendance which does not allow for any absence due to illness throughout the rest of the year.

Parents/Carers should not expect schools to agree to a holiday during term time

The school will consider all requests individually and will take into account a variety of factors including:

- your child's overall attendance record
- your child's stage of education and academic progress
- the time of year proposed for the trip
- any examination commitments

After considering these factors, if your child's school does not agree the absence and you do take your child on holiday, the school may record this as an unauthorised absence. However, if you do wish to request that your child accompanies you on a family holiday during term time, it is important that you contact school to complete a holiday form.

All forms should be completed and returned to school 10 school days **before** any holidays are taken.

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Examination Periods

Year 7	-	Late April / May
Year 8	-	May
Year 9	-	January and May / June
Year 10	-	March and May / June
Year 11	-	November GCSE Mocks and May / June GCSE

Please note: Modular examinations go on throughout the year for students in Year 9 / 10 / 11, So please contact college to check specific modular dates.