

Event Calendar 2026-27

Key

Parents Evenings & Reports

Trips

Events

Exams

Careers

Autumn Term – 7th September – 11th December

Date and time	Event	Details
Weds 2 nd - Friday 4 th Sept 9.30am – 2pm	Staff Training Days	
Fri 4 th Sept	Y1 Settling in day	
Mon 21 st Sept 4.00 – 7.00pm	Governor's Meeting	
Sat 26 th Sept 10am – 2pm	Autumn Open Day	Contact Kezia to volunteer to help out. Delicious lunch served for everyone.
Thurs 1 st Oct 4.00-6.30pm	South Devon College Open Evening	See: southdevon.ac.uk/event/open-evening/
Fri 2 nd Oct 2.15-4.15pm	School Production: Audition Workshop	Open to all interested students
Weds 7 th Oct	Y2 picnic and bouldering trip to Hound Tor	Postponed due to staff illness
Thurs 8 th Oct Evening	Macbeth at Exeter Northcott Theatre	For O1 English Literature students
Thurs 8 th Oct 4.00pm – 6.30pm	Y1 Parents Evening	Book via the Engage Parent Portal Details sent the week before
Thurs 8 th Oct 4.00-8.00pm	Exeter College Open Evening	See: exe-coll.ac.uk/open-events

Fri 9 th Oct 2.00pm an 3.00pm	Defibrillator Training with Jays Aims	Limited spaces with priority for DofE students, remaining spaces open to staff and neighbours
Sat 10 th Oct 10am – 2pm	Community Work Day	Chip in and help out, with shared lunch after. Contact Leah for information and to volunteer.
Fri 16 th Oct	Halloween Spooktacular	Fancy dress with prizes for best costumes Spooky activities in the afternoon
Sat 17 th Oct	Access Creative College, Plymouth, Open Day	See: www.accesscreative.ac.uk/events/
Mon 19 th – Fri 30 th Oct	Half term break	
Thurs 22 nd Oct 6.00-8.00pm	Kennicott Sixth Form Open Evening	See: www.kingedwardvi.org.uk/6th-form/kennicott-sixth-form-open-evening/
w/c 2 nd Nov	One to One Careers Interviews with O1 students	Taking place over two weeks, one-to-one appointments made with Heidi
Tues 3 rd Nov 9.30am	Autumn Exam Series: English Language	Jasper will send further details to candidates
Weds 4 th Nov 9.30am	Autumn Exam Series: Maths paper 1	Jasper will send further details to candidates
Thurs 5 th Nov	Whole school trip to River Dart Country Park	
Fri 6 th Nov 9.30am	Autumn Exam Series: Maths paper 2	Jasper will send further details to candidates
Fri 6 th Nov	O2 Parent Reports	Annual school reports will be sent out to parents
Weds 18 th Nov PM	Y2 Science Trip to Plymouth Aquarium	
Thurs 19 th Nov 4.00pm – 6.30pm	Y2 Parents Evening	Book via the Engage Parent Portal Details sent the week before

Mon 23 rd Nov 4.00 – 7.00pm	Governors Meeting	
Weds 25 th Nov	Green Careers Day	Normal timetable will be suspended for the day for various workshops, talks and activities
Mon 7 th – Fri 11 th Dec	Traitors – Sands Edition – Season 2	Whole school, whole week game of Traitors. Suspense and silliness galore!
Weds 2 nd Dec	Art and Design Mock Exam	All day
Fri 4 th Dec	O1 Parent Reports	Annual school reports will be sent out to parents
Tues 8 th Dec 2.00 – 4.00pm	Christmas Concert at Ashburton Arts Centre	Friends and family welcome, set list to be announced closer to the date
Fri 11 th Dec	Last day of term – half day	Secret Santa gift exchange Collect students at 1pm

Spring Term – 4th January – 25th March

Date and time	Event	Further details
Thurs 31 st Dec 9.30am – 2pm	Staff Training Day	
Thurs 14 th Jan 4.00pm – 6.30pm	O1 Parents Evening	Book via the Engage Parent Portal Details sent the week before
Weds 20 th Jan	Vaccinations: DTP/MenACWY - Year 9 - 11	Parents will be sent details and consent forms to sign up, see Kate in the office for details
Mon 8 th Feb 4.00 – 7.00pm	Governors Meeting	
Fri 5 th Feb	Y3 Parent reports	Annual school reports will be sent out to parents
Sat 6 th Feb 10am – 2pm	Spring Open Day	Contact Kezia to volunteer to help out. Delicious lunch served for everyone.
Week commencing 8 th Feb	Spanish Trip	Details to be confirmed
Mon 15 th – Fri 19 th Feb	Half term break	
Thurs 25 th Feb 10am – 2.15pm	School Production: Photo call	All cast needed with costumes, you will be called at a set time
Thurs 25 th Feb 4.00pm – 6.30pm	O2 Parents Evening	Book via the Engage Parent Portal Details sent the week before
Fri 26 th Feb 10am – 4pm	School Production: Final run through	All cast needed
Sat 27 th Feb 10am – 2pm	Community Work Day	Chip in and help out, with shared lunch after. Contact Leah for information and to volunteer.
Thurs 4 th Mar	World Book Day	

Fri 5 th Mar 10am – 4pm	School Production: Technical Rehearsal	All cast needed
Mon 8 th Mar 2.15 – 4.15pm	School Production: Dress Rehearsal 1	All cast needed
Tues 9 th Mar 2.15 – 4.15pm	School Production: Dress Rehearsal 2	All cast needed
Weds 10 th Mar 2.30 – 3.45pm	School Production: Performance 1	Company needed from 12.45
Thurs 11 th Mar 5.30pm & 8.00pm	School Production: Performance 2 & 3	Company needed from 4.30
Fri 19 th Mar	O3 Parent reports	Annual school reports will be sent out to parents
Mon 22 nd Mar	Y3 Options Booklet Released	Receive your copy of this year's course options and selection form
Thurs 25 th Mar 4.00pm – 6.30pm	Y3 Parents Evening	Book via the Engage Parent Portal Details sent the week before

Summer Term – 19th April – 9th July

Date and time	Event	Further details
Thurs 15 th Apr 9.30am – 2pm	Staff Training Day	
Sat 17 th Apr 10am – 2pm	Community Garden Day	Help us bring out the summer bloom with a special garden workday with shared lunch after. Contact Leah for information and to volunteer.
Thurs 22 nd – Fri 23 rd Apr	Duke of Edinburgh Award: Bronze qualifying expedition	See Jane for details
Tues 27 th and Weds 28 th Apr	Art & Design Exam	5 hours each day
Thurs 29 th and Fri 30 th Apr	Photography Exam	5 hours each day
Thurs 29 th Apr 4.00pm – 6.30pm	Y3 Options Evening	Presentation about how options feed into further education options and 1:1 meeting to finalise GCSE options
Thurs 6 th May	Vaccinations: HPV - Years 8 -11	Parents will be sent details and consent forms to sign up, see Kate in the office for details
Mon 10 th May	Main exam series starts	Exam calendar will be shared closer to the time, contact Jasper at exams@sands-school.co.uk for any questions
Mon 17 th May 4.00 – 7.00pm	Governors Meeting	
Fri 21 st May	Y2 Parent Reports	Annual school reports will be sent out to parents
Sat 22 nd May	Community Work Day	Chip in and help out, with shared lunch after.

10am- 2pm		Contact Leah for information and to volunteer.
Mon 31 st May – Fri 4 th Jun	Half term break	
Thurs 10 th Jun 4.00pm – 6.30pm	O3 Parents Evening	Book via the Engage Parent Portal Details sent the week before
Weds 16 th – Fri 18 th Jun	Duke of Edinburgh Award: Silver qualifying expedition	See Jane for details
Fri 18 th June	Main exam series ends	Well done everyone! Good luck on results day
Weds 23 rd Jun	Vaccinations: Mop-up for any previously missed opportunities	Parents will be sent details and consent forms to sign up, see Kate in the office for details
Fri 25 th Jun	Y1 Parent Reports	Annual school reports will be sent out to parents
Sun 27 th Jun – Fri 2 nd Jul	Summer Camp	Details will be sent out at the start of the summer term
Tues 6 th Jul 11.00am – 4.00pm	Summer Festival	Friends and family welcome, food served all day
Tues 6 th Jul 4.00 – 6.00pm	GCSE Art & Design and Photography exhibition Private Viewing	Drinks reception for artists, all welcome
Weds 7 th Jul	Sports Day	
Thurs 8 th Jul 5pm – 7.30pm	Leavers Dinner	A final celebration of our wonderful leavers
Fri 9 th July 1pm	Last day of term – half day	Annual Sands Awards, all school photo and final meeting of the year Collect students at 1pm
Thurs 19 th Aug	Results Day	Students who sat exams can collect their results in person from 9.30 or receive them by

email or on the Engage portal that morning
from 8am
