

Outcomes from consultation on school calendars (see below for breakdown of responses)

Proposal	Feedback	Recommendation
<p>2011-12 (Amendments)</p> <p>(i) The school holiday between terms 5 and 6 is moved forward by one week to commence on Monday 4 June 2012, rather than on Monday 28 May 2012.</p> <p>(ii) Term 3 will commence on Wednesday 4 January 2012, thus extending the Christmas holiday by one day (in order to achieve the necessary reduction).</p> <p>(iii) 1 and 2 September 2011 become school holiday days, with term 1 commencing on Monday 5 September 2011. The 23 and 24 July 2012 would become school days to balance this change (reflecting LGA discussions).</p>	<p>(i) With only one or two exceptions there was broad support for this proposal and schools recognised that dates had been revised by the Exam Boards.</p> <p>(ii) There was broad support to this proposal. In addition there were some responses expressing the view that the Christmas holiday should be revised so that term 2 finished at a later date and term 3 commenced several days later. While this was not part of the consultation this proposed change does achieve a slightly later start to term 3.</p> <p>(iii) There was a view by schools that it was 'too late' to make these changes. Some parents would have made holiday arrangements and therefore attendance rates would be adversely affected. In addition these dates did not work well with INSET arrangements or the running of individual schools.</p>	<p>(i) Accept.</p> <p>(ii) Accept</p> <p>(iii) Not accept</p>
<p>2012-13 (based on the LGA school calendar)</p>	<p>In general there was broad support for this proposal. A few stakeholders had put forward other views but these were diverse with no clear alternative view.</p>	<p>Accept</p>
<p>2013-14 (based on the LGA school calendar)</p>	<p>In general there was broad support for this proposal. A few stakeholders had put forward other views but these were diverse with no clear alternative view. One school had commented that the Xmas break was too short (the proposed break was less than two weeks).</p>	<p>In order to achieve a two week break at Christmas the proposed school calendar should be amended:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Term 1 to start on Tuesday 3 September 2013 rather than on Thursday 5 September 2013. • Term 3 to start on Monday 6 January 2014 rather than on Thursday 2 January 2014.

Breakdown of responses received

Primary schools	30	Diocesan Representatives	2
Secondary schools	8	Joint headteacher & union rep	1
Parents	4	Teaching assistant	1
Teacher Unions	1	Total number of responses	47