



Cayman Islands Government Schools 2024-2025 School Calendar

| TERM 1: 28 August – 20 December 2024 | | Teaching Days: 74 Staff Planning/Professional Development Days: 8 |
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| August | 19 | ❖ Return for Duty: Principals & Deputy Principals ONLY ❖ HR Orientation: New Staff (Principals to attend) |
| | 20 | ❖ Return for Duty: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All Support Services Staff Team Leads for: Allied Health, Ed. Pysch., Specialists, Counsellors & Behaviour Support Service Manager ▪ Team Leads for Music, PE, Spanish & Manager of Career Services ▪ SENCOs, TLCs, LMs, SPLs, HoDs, Subject Leads (Secondary), TVET Coordinator, Primary ILL, ILN, ILS, MSTs, Coaches ❖ School Orientation: New Staff |
| | 21 | ❖ Return for Duty: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ALL TEACHERS ▪ ALL SUPPORT STAFF ❖ First Staff Planning Day/Professional Development Day (School Level) |
| | 22 | Professional Development Day (System Wide) |
| | 23 | Annual Education Professionals' Welcome at JGHS Gym (a.m.); School Level PD (p.m.) |
| | 26 | Professional Development Day (System Wide) |
| | 27 | ❖ New Student Orientation for both primary & high schools (a.m.) ❖ Professional Development Day (School Level; p.m.) |
| | 28 | ❖ Schools open for Primary & High School Students ❖ CIFEC Class Induction/Registration for Year 12 |
| September | 8 | International Literacy Day |
| | 11-15 | Diagnostic Testing Secondary Schools (DORA, DOMA/ADAM) |
| October | 1-30 | ❖ CAT4 Testing – Yrs. 4, 6 & 9 ❖ Pupil Attitudes towards Self & School (PASS) – Yrs. 1-11 |
| | TBC | KPMG Brain Bowl (Secondary) |
| | 17 | Professional Development Day (System Wide) – Schools closed to students |
| | 18 | Professional Development Day (School Level) – Schools closed to students |
| | 21-25 | Schools closed for Half-Term Break (Students & Teachers) |
| November | 11 | Public Holiday: Remembrance Day |
| | 12-15 | Schools' Heritage Week |
| | 26 | RBC Royal Bank Primary National Spelling Bee |
| | 27 | Lions Club of Grand Cayman Secondary National Spelling Bee |
| December | 6 | Professional Development Day (System Wide) – Schools closed to students |
| | 20 | Schools close for Christmas Break: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Students leave at 1:00p.m. ▪ Teachers/Staff leave at 3:00p.m. |
| TERM 2: 6 January – 17 April 2025 | | Teaching Days: 68 Staff Planning/Professional Development Days: 0 |
| January | 1 | Public Holiday: New Year's Day |
| | 6 | Schools Reopen |
| | 27 | Public Holiday: National Heroes Day |
| February | 24-25 | NCFA Adjudications (Cayman Brac Secondary) |
| | 26-28 | NCFA Adjudications (Grand Cayman Secondary) |
| March | 3-7 | Schools Closed for Half-Term Break (Students & Teachers) |
| | 5 | Public Holiday: Ash Wednesday |
| | 14 | The National Pi Day (Mathematics) |
| | TBC | NCFA Final Concert (Grand Cayman Secondary) |
| | 17-18 | Inter-Primary Sports: Preliminaries |
| | 19-20 | Inter-Secondary Sports: Preliminaries |
| | 21 | Inter-Primary & Secondary Sports: Finals |
| | 27-28 | NCFA Adjudications (Cayman Brac Primary) |
| | 31 | NCFA Adjudications (Grand Cayman Primary) |
| April | 1-4 | NCFA Adjudications (Grand Cayman Primary) |
| | 5 | NCFA Final Concerts (Cayman Brac) |
| | 9-11 | NCFA Final Concerts (Grand Cayman) |
| | 17 | Schools close for Easter Break: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Students leave at 1:00p.m. ▪ Teachers/Staff leave at 3:00p.m. |
| | 18 | Public Holiday: Good Friday |
| 21 | Public Holiday: Easter Monday | |
| TERM 3: 28 April – 3 July 2025 | | Teaching Days: 45 Staff Planning/Professional Development Days: 1 |
| April | 28 | Professional Development Day (System Wide) – Schools closed to students |
| | 29 | Schools Reopen |
| May | 5 | Public Holiday: Emancipation Day |
| | 6-16 | Key Stage 1 Examinations |
| | 19 | Public Holiday: Discovery Day |
| | 20-22 | Key Stage 2 Examinations |
| June | 23 | Key Stage 2 Examination Make-up Day |
| | 2-6 | Pupil Attitudes towards Self & School (PASS) Yrs. 1-10 (Intervention Students) |
| | TBC | Public Holiday: King's Birthday |
| July | 3 | Schools close for Summer Break: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Students leave at 1:00p.m. ▪ Teachers/Staff leave at 3:00p.m. |
| | 4 | Contingency Storm/Emergency Day |
| | 7 | Public Holiday: Constitution Day |
| Total Teaching Days: 187 * | | Total Staff Planning/Professional Development Days: 9 |

* N.B. The number of teaching days is currently reflected as 187 days. Once the date for the 2025 General Election is confirmed, the calendar will be adjusted to reflect 2 less instructional days which will be required by the Elections Office for preparations and execution of the General Election.



Summary of Instructional/Teaching Days and Staff Planning/Professional Development Days Per Month

| TERM 1 | | |
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| Month | Total Teaching Days | Staff Planning/Professional Development Days |
| August | 3 | 5 – 3 school organised days; 2 system organised days |
| September | 21 | 0 |
| October | 16 | 2 – 1 school organised day; 1 system organised day |
| November | 20 | 0 |
| December | 14 | 1 – 1 system organised day |
| Total: | 74 | 8 – 5 school organised days; 3 system organised days |
| End of Term 1: 20 December 2024: Schools close at 1:00p.m. for students and 3:00pm for teachers | | |
| TERM 2 | | |
| Month | Total Teaching Days | Staff Planning/Professional Development Days |
| January | 19 | 0 |
| February | 20 | 0 |
| March | 16 | 0 |
| April | 13 | 0 |
| Total: | 68 | 0 |
| End of Term 2: 17 April 2025: Schools close at 1:00p.m. for students and 3:00pm for teachers | | |
| TERM 3 | | |
| Month | Total Teaching Days | Staff Planning/Professional Development Days |
| April | 2 | 1 – 1 system organised day |
| May | 20 | 0 |
| June | 20 | 0 |
| July | 3 | 0 |
| Total: | 45 | 1 – 1 system organised day |
| End of Term 3: 3 July 2025: Schools close at 1:00p.m. for students and 3:00pm for teachers | | |

| Contingency Storm/Emergency Days | |
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| Month | Total Days |
| July | 1 |

| Key for Calendar | |
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| Abbreviation | Meaning |
| Coaches | Science, Math and Literacy Coaches |
| Ed.Psychs. | Educational Psychologists |
| HoDs/SLs (Secondary) | Heads of Department and/or Subject Leads |
| ILL | Instructional Lead (Literacy) |
| ILN | Instructional Lead (Numeracy) |
| ILS | Instructional Lead (Science) |
| LMs | Learning Mentors |
| MSTs | Math Specialist Teachers |
| OTs | Occupational Therapists |
| SALT | Speech and Language Therapists |
| SENCO | Special Education Needs Coordinators |
| SIS | School Inclusion Specialists |
| SPLs | Student Progress Leader |
| TLCs | Teaching and Learning Coordinators |
| TVET Coordinator | Technical and Vocational Education and Training |