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| **2027 School Terms and Holidays** |
| **TERM 1** |
| Number of weeks | Up to 11 |
| Term start and end dates | Starts between Thursday 28 January (at the earliest) and Wednesday 3 February (at the latest), and ends Friday 9 April (88-96 half-days) |
| School holidays | Saturday 10 April – Monday 26 April  |
| **TERM 2** |
| Number of weeks | 10 |
| Term start and end dates | Tuesday 27 April to Friday 2 July (96 half-days) |
| School holidays | Saturday 3 July - Sunday 18 July |
| **TERM 3** |
| Number of weeks | 10 |
| Term start and end dates | Monday 19 July to Friday 24 September (100 half-days) |
| School holidays | Saturday 25 September – Sunday 10 October |
| **TERM 4** |
| Number of weeks | Up to 10 |
| Term start and end dates | Monday 11 October to no later than Friday 17 December (up to 98 half-days) |
| School holidays | 5 to 6 weeks (from school’s closing date until opening date of school the following year) |

Primary, intermediate and specialist schools are required to be open for instruction for a minimum of **380** half days in 2027.

Secondary and composite schools are required to be open for instruction for minimum of **380** half days in 2027.

NOTE these half day requirements don’t include the reduction for curriculum PLD days, refer to the website for more.

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| **2028 School Terms and Holidays** |
| **TERM 1** |
| Number of weeks | Up to 11 |
| Term start and end dates | Starts between Monday 31 January (at the earliest) and Tuesday 8 February (at the latest), and ends Thursday 13 April (96-106 half-days) |
| School holidays | Friday 14 April – Sunday 30 April  |
| **TERM 2** |
| Number of weeks | 10 |
| Term start and end dates | Monday 1 May to Friday 7 July (98 half-days) |
| School holidays | Saturday 8 July - Sunday 23 July  |
| **TERM 3** |
| Number of weeks | 10 |
| Term start and end dates | Monday 24 July to Friday 29 September (100 half-days) |
| School holidays | Saturday 30 September – Sunday 15 October |
| **TERM 4** |
| Number of weeks | Up to 9 |
| Term start and end dates | Monday 16 October to no later than Friday 15 December (up to 88 half-days) |
| School holidays | 5 to 6 weeks (from school’s closing date until opening date of school the following year) |

Primary, intermediate and specialist schools are required to be open for instruction for a minimum of **382** half days in 2028.

Secondary and composite schools are required to be open for instruction for a minimum of **380** half days in 2028.

The school term dates and half-day requirements are administered by the Ministry of Education and the information is published here: [School terms and holiday dates – Education in New Zealand](https://www.education.govt.nz/school/school-terms-and-holiday-dates/).

**2027** **Cohort Entry Dates**

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| Term | Start of term date | Mid-term start date | End of term date |
| 1 | Between 28 January 2027 and 3 February | 8 March 2027 | 9 April 2027 |
| 2 | 27 April 2027  | 31 May 2027 | 2 July 2027 |
| 3 | 19 July 2027 | 23 August 2027 | 24 September 2027 |
| 4 | 11 October 2027 | 15 November 2027 | 17 December 2027 |

**2028 Cohort Entry Dates**

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| Term | Start of term date | Mid-term start date | End of term date |
| 1 | Between 31 January and 8 February | 13 March 2028 | 13 April 2028 |
| 2 | 1 May 2028 | 6 June 2028 | 7 July 2028 |
| 3 | 24 July 2028 | 28 August 2028 | 29 September 2028 |
| 4 | 16 October 2028 | 13 November 2028 | 15 December 2028 |