

Consultation Responses

Brading

Thank you for your email; - we would like to be able to choose our own date like we did last time we were given the extra day.

Thanks
Bev Gilbert
Headteacher

Gatten and Lake

In response to email below, I feel that 22nd December is a suitable additional day from the calendar.

Many thanks,
Rebecca Day
Headteacher

Gurnard

Please note that I feel that schools should have the flexibility to decide when to take the additional day to best meet the needs of individual schools and to align to the development days that have already been planned and applied for. I understand that this is the approach that has been taken by other local authorities.

Kind regards
Miss Vanessa Hicks
Headteacher

Lanesend

Fine by us.

Caroline Sice
Headteacher

Nettlestone and Newchurch

In response to the proposed date of 22nd December, could it not be a consideration that schools take this day at a time better suited to them. I recall we did something similar previously and schools were given the discretion to take an additional day at a time convenient to them.

Is there a statutory requirement that we all have to have the same day? I do believe other authorities are enabling schools to take the day at a time to suit. Please see the information from the Cornish LA below for example. It might be helpful if schools were offered this flexibility.

195 days are included on the school calendar. Schools would normally be open to pupils for 190 days, with the 5 additional days allotted for In-Service Training. However, in 2021/22 schools will be open to pupils for 189 days in order to take account of the extra Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday in June 2022. Schools will individually set their additional Platinum Jubilee closure day in lieu from within the 2021/22 term dates.

Thank you,
Kirsty Howarth
Executive Headteacher

Oakfield

I would just like to record Oakfield's support for the suggested date 22nd December.

Best Wishes,
Vikki Reader
Headteacher

Queensgate

I think that is great - thank you.

Sam Sillito
Headteacher

St Helens

I fully concur with 22nd December as the proposed additional day.

Mr Wake
Headteacher

St Mary's

I would suggest the additional day is taken at the end of the summer term 2022 meaning the already short summer holiday is extended by a day.

Alison Langridge
Headteacher