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Independent, co-educational day and boarding school, ages 11-18

Pangbourne College

Year 11 Academic Calendar

2026–2027

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Michaelmas Term

Week commencing	Event	What is happening on this date	What can families do at home to support
07/09/26	Review of summer holiday work	Each teacher will review and ensure that the holiday work set has been completed.	Ensure that all of the summer holiday work set has been completed.
16/09/26	Welcome to Year 11 webinar	Talk from OKN and ACS regarding success in Year 11 and key revision strategies	Try to attend this webinar if possible
21/09/26	English Macbeth coursework planning	Students will be planning their Macbeth coursework (provisional)	Discuss the play with your child and check in that planning is being done (without the use of AI)
28/09/26	English Macbeth coursework planning	Students will continue planning their Macbeth coursework	As above
5/10/26	English coursework writing week	Writing Macbeth coursework (in class all week) (provisional)	Ensure that they are in school or attending catch up sessions if they have missed school
09/10/26	Sixth Form taster day	A day to experience life in the Sixth Form at Pangbourne.	Discuss possible subject choices before your child submits their choices for the day; chat to them afterwards about their experience
12/10/26	Supporting revision webinar (14/10/2026) Trials schedule published (15/10/2026)	A webinar to talk through and demonstrate the best revision strategies to use for the GCSE year and how to plan the year ahead. The exam schedule for the November Trials will be published.	Attend the webinar and frequently talk through and check the strategies at home. Purchase relevant resources: flashcards and binding rings, flashcard trays/storage. Go through the exam timetable at home, ask which exams they are most confident about and which they are most worried about. Ask to see their day-by day half term revision plan.

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12/10/26 Continued	Completion of GCSE Drama and PE NEA Completion of DT 'prepare to make' component of NEA Grade Card	Coursework should be submitted to class teachers on time (dates are provisional) Grade Cards will be issued for each subject	Check in that your child is on track with their coursework over the preceding weeks and ready to submit at the deadline. Review the Grade Card and discuss the next steps for progress.
19/10/26	Half-term	Holiday work will be set	Ensure there is a daily revision schedule for the break and check work is completed.
26/10/26	Half-term	Holiday work will be set	Ensure there is a daily revision schedule for the break and check work is completed.
03/11/26	Getting ready for Trials 1	Daily revision using the revision guides and schedule	Quiz your child on the core knowledge and check they have completed the revision as per their schedule
5/11/26	Sixth Form Choices Webinar	A webinar to take students and parents through the course choices available at Pangbourne and the pathways that flow from these.	Attend the webinar and discuss at home what courses are of interest, what destinations/ routes these lead to for university/ apprenticeship and what grades are needed to secure this. Keep these discussions going until the deadline on 16/03/27.
10/11/26	Getting ready for Trials 1	Daily revision using the revision guides and schedule	Quiz your child on the core knowledge and check they have completed the revision as per their schedule
16/11/26	Trials 1 commence	Year 11 will be in trials all week.	Ensure their Trials schedule is printed out and up on the fridge. Review each evening.
23/11/26	Trials 1 continue	Trials 1 end on Tues 24th November	Celebrate that the exams are over!
2/12/26	Year 11 Trials results and parent's evening	Wednesday evening for parents to review the trial results for each subject with the teacher and discuss immediate actions prior to Trials 2 in Feb 27	Celebrate the successes and review subjects/ papers where issues have arisen.

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11/12/26	Grade Card Holiday work on Google Classrooms	Grade Cards will be issued for each subject Revision work will be set for each subject	Review Grade Card. Review plan for holiday revision completion, especially in areas which have caused issues in Trials 1
12/12/26 – 04/1/27	Holiday	Work will be set for each subject alongside time for decompression and relaxation.	Ensure there is a healthy mix of work and relaxation over the holidays.

Lent Term

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04/01/27	Art and Photography GCSE students come into school	Release of Art & Photography title (1/1/2027) to students for their final piece.	Bring your child into school on time please!
05/01/27	First day of Lent Term	Tuesday 6/1/27	Celebrate the joy of the new term. Ensure all holiday revision work is completed.
11/01/27	Y11 Trials 2 timetable published	The mock exams timetable for the exams which start on Monday 22nd February will be given to students.	Go through the exam timetable with your child, ask them which exams they are most confident about and which they are most worried about. Ask them to show you their day-by-day revision plan.

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18/01/27	Sparx Maths check in	Tutors will be checking in on Sparx Maths and how well students are completing this programme	Check in with Sparx Maths at home as well
25/01/27	Drama practical	Thursday (28/1/2026) drama practical for all Y11 drama students	Review performance in advance, help learn lines
01/02/27	Getting ready for Trials 2	Daily revision using the revision guides and schedule Review and consider key targets from Trials 1	Test your child on the core knowledge and check they have completed the revision as per their schedule
08/02/27	Grade Card Holiday work set on Google Classrooms	Grade Card published Revision work will be set for each subject	Review Grade Card and discuss Review plan for holiday revision completion.
16/02/27	Half-term	Completion of revision	Ensure there is a realistic daily revision schedule using the techniques from the revision webinar
22/02/27	Trials 2 commence	Year 11 will be in trials all week.	Ensure their Trials schedule is printed out and up on the fridge. Review each evening.
01/03/27	Trials 2 end	End of Trials 2 sessions	Congratulate them on their hard work and remind them that the GCSEs are simply a measure of work, not of intelligence. The more revision you do, the better the grade you get.
08/03/27	Parents 'evening	Friday evening 12/3/2026 for parents to review the trial results for each subject with the teacher and discuss immediate actions prior to the real exams commencing.	Celebrate the successes and review subjects/ papers where issues have arisen.

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16/03/27	Sixth Form course choice submission	Tuesday submission deadline (16/3/2027) for course choices in Sixth Form	Review choices at home prior to submission and ensure future profession/ pathways are discussed.
23/03/27	Grade Card Holiday work set on Google Classrooms	Grade Card published Revision work will be set for each subject	Review Grade Card. Review plan for holiday revision completion
26/03/27 – 13/04/27	Holiday	Work will be set for each subject alongside time for decompression and relaxation.	Ensure the holiday is mapped out with clear dates and times for revision.

Summer Term

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13/04/27	Wednesday 14/04/27 First day of term	Year 11s are all back and ready to learn after the holiday.	Make sure your child has completed all of their holiday revision.
20/04/27	GCSE Art & Photography	Thursday & Friday Art & Photography GCSE examinations (22/4/2027 & 23/4/2027))	Ensure this date is etched in stone and all preparation is completed.
26/04/27	MFL GCSE Oral Exams	Tuesday - Thursday oral exams take place for MFL.	Ensure this date is etched in stone and all preparation is completed.
04/05/27	GCSE exams commence	Thursday (6/5/2026) is the start of the GCSE exam window	Ensure the schedule is printed out and reviewed each evening.
11/05/27	Exams all week	See daily exam schedule	Ensure the schedule is printed out and reviewed each evening.

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18/05/27	Exams all week	See daily exam schedule	Ensure the schedule is printed out and reviewed each evening.
25/05/27	Half term	Revision	Ensure a daily revision schedule is in place
01/06/27	Exams all week	Exams end Friday 18th June with Physics/Combined Science. Exam contingency day is Wednesday 23rd June and all students should be available (if there is a national emergency, so highly unlikely to be used).	Ensure students push on through the final weekend of revision as boredom and fatigue are high.
29/06/27	Year 11 return to College	Silver Duke of Edinburgh expedition Return for Founders' Day rehearsals	Ensure they have all their kit ready!