Key	Year Two
	Year One
	Reception
	Kindergarten
	Nursery and Kittens
	Parents Invited (Bold)
	Whole School
	Recent Updates

DEAN CLOSE
PRE-PREPARATORY SCHOOL
CHELTENHAM

Calendar – Michaelmas Term 2026

Updated 11th November 2026

SEPTEMBER	
THURSDAY 3RD	*School Closed for Pupils* Staff INSET Day
FRIDAY 4TH	*School Closed for Pupils* Staff INSET Day
MONDAY 7TH	*School Closed for Pupils* Staff INSET Day
TUESDAY 8TH	Term Starts. Crèche from 08:15. Breakfast Club from 07:45
WEDNESDAY 9TH	**19:00 Kindergarten Parents' Curriculum Evening, until 20:00** **19:30 Year One Parents Curriculum Evening, until 20:30**
THURSDAY 10TH	**19:00 Reception Parents' Curriculum Evening, until 20:00** **19:30 Year Two Parents Curriculum Evening, until 20:30**
FRIDAY 11TH	08:15 Parents' Prayer Fellowship at Dean Close House, until 09:00
MONDAY 14TH	All Extra-Curricular clubs begin
TUESDAY 15TH	10:45 KG Forest School (please bring wellies) 13:30 Year One Forest School (please bring wellies)
WEDNESDAY 16TH	13:30 Reception Forest School (please bring wellies)
MONDAY 21ST	School Council Elections will be announced this week Year One Superhero WOW Day (children to wear superhero costumes)
TUESDAY 22ND	10:45 KG Forest School (please bring wellies) 13:30 Year Two Forest School (please bring wellies)
WEDNESDAY 23RD	08:00 Individual Pupil Photographs and Family Groups
FRIDAY 25TH	**08:15 Parents Coffee Morning, (on the house) until 09:00** 08:15 Parents' Prayer Fellowship at Dean Close House, until 09:00
SATURDAY 26TH	08:45 Early Years Ready Steady Grow Open Morning, until 11:00
MONDAY 28TH	School Council Elections this week
TUESDAY 29TH	Year Two Trip to Warwick Castle. Children to wear PE Kits. 10:45 KG Forest School (please bring wellies) 13:30 Year One Forest School (please bring wellies)
WEDNESDAY 30TH	Reception, Year One & Year Two Flu Vaccinations 13.30 Reception Forest School (please bring wellies)

OCTOBER	
THURSDAY 1ST	**08:45 Stay and Play Session for 0-3 years of age, until 10:15**
SATURDAY 3RD	09:30 Open Morning for Prospective Parents, until 11:30
MONDAY 5TH	All children return to school in winter uniform
TUESDAY 6TH	Reception trip to Sandfield Farm (Children to come into school in PE Track suits) 10:45 KG Forest School (please bring wellies) 13:30 Year Two Forest School (please bring wellies)
WEDNESDAY 7TH	14:45 Parent Reps Meeting **19:00** Kittens/Nursery **Curriculum Evening, until 20:30**
FRIDAY 9TH	08:15 Parents' Prayer Fellowship at Dean Close House, until 09:00
TUESDAY 13TH	10:45 KG Forest School (please bring wellies) 13:30 Year One Forest School (please bring wellies)
WEDNESDAY 14TH	13:30 Reception Forest School (please bring wellies)
THURSDAY 15TH	**15:15 Parent Consultation Evening, until 19:00**
MONDAY 19TH	09:15 Rehearsal for Harvest Celebration
TUESDAY 20TH	10:45 KG Forest School (please bring wellies) 13:30 Year Two Forest School (please bring wellies)
WEDNESDAY 21ST	09:15 Harvest Celebration 14:30 Harvest Celebration
THURSDAY 22ND	**08:45 Stay and Play Session for 0-3 years of age, until 10:15** 15:30 Half Term begins - No Crèche
FRIDAY 23RD	09.00 Staff INSET Morning
NOVEMBER	
MONDAY 9TH	Term Recommences. Crèche from 08:15. Breakfast Club from 07.45
TUESDAY 10TH	09:00 Reception Open Morning for Prospective Families, until 10:15 10:45 KG Forest School (please bring wellies) until 11:45 13:30 Year One Forest School (please bring wellies) until 14:45
WEDNESDAY 11TH	Kindergarten Fun Morning (dress code: nursery rhyme characters) 09:00 Year One Trip to Hatherley Park (Children to wear PE Kits), until 12:00 13:30 Reception Forest School (please bring wellies)
THURSDAY 12TH	**08:45 Stay and Play Session for 0-3 years of age until 10:15**
FRIDAY 13TH	**08:15 Book Fair in Pre Prep Hall until 08:45** 08:15 Parents' Prayer Fellowship at Dean Close House, until 09:00

MONDAY 16TH	**08:15 Book Fair in Pre Prep Hall until 08:45** **08:15 Parent Coffee Morning (available to buy) until 09:00** Class Councils this week
TUESDAY 17TH	Whole School Critical Thinking Wow Day (wear bright clothes/detectives/explorers) **08:15 Book Fair in Pre Prep Hall until 08:45** 10:45 KG Forest School (please bring wellies) until 11:45 13:30 Year Two Forest School (please bring wellies) until 14:45 **18:15 Meet the DCPS Head Event until 20:00**
WEDNESDAY 18TH	Reception 'Let's Celebrate' WOW Day (children wear usual uniform) **08:15 Book Fair in Pre Prep Hall until 08:45**
FRIDAY 20TH	**08:00 Year Two Showcase and Share for Parents in DCPPS Hall**
MONDAY 23RD	School Council this week **08:00 Year One Showcase and Share Pre-Prep Hall until 08:45**
TUESDAY 24TH	**08:00** Kindergarten **Snuggle and Share in the Pre-Prep Hall, until 08:45** Year Two Castles WOW Day (dress up as kings, queens, dragons, knights and anything to do with castles) 10.45am – 11.45pm KG Forest School (please bring wellies) 13:30 Year One Forest School (please bring wellies) until 14:45
WEDNESDAY 25TH	13.30 Reception Forest School (please bring wellies) until 14:45
FRIDAY 27TH	08:15 Parents' Prayer Fellowship at Dean Close House, until 09:00
DECEMBER	
TUESDAY 1ST	08:30 Y2 Attend DCPS Assembly, **arrive at school by 08:20** 10:45 KG Forest School (please bring wellies) 13:30 Year Two Forest School (please bring wellies)
WEDNESDAY 2ND	**13.20 Informal Concert for Instrumentalists in Pre-Prep Hall**
THURSDAY 3RD	**08:45 Stay and Play Session for 0-3 years of age until 10:15**
SATURDAY 5TH	**09:00 Year Two Rugby and Netball Matches @Cheltenham College, -11:00**
MONDAY 7TH	09:30 Dress Rehearsal for Christmas Performance until 10:45.
TUESDAY 8TH	10:45 KG Forest School (please bring wellies) until 11:45 13:15 Christmas Party for children receiving EAL support 13:30 Year One Forest School (please bring wellies) until 14:45
WEDNESDAY 9TH	**09:30 Christmas Performance** **14:00 Christmas Performance**
THURSDAY 10TH	**09:30 Christmas Performance**
FRIDAY 11TH	08:15 Parents' Prayer Fellowship at Dean Close House, until 09:00 15:30 DCPPS Christmas Market until 17:00
MONDAY 14TH	09:00 Christingle Rehearsal until 10:15
TUESDAY 15TH	10:00 Christmas Show at the Bacon Theatre for **Nursery** & **Kindergarten** children normally in school.

	11:00	**Christingle Service in Dean Close Chapel until 12:00. All parents are welcome and they can bring any part time children who are not normally in school to watch with them.**
WEDNESDAY 16TH		School Christmas Lunch
THURSDAY 17TH		**Morning**: Nursery and Kittens Christmas Party. Part Time children invited, collection time 11:30 **Afternoon**. Kindergarten, Reception, Year One and Year Two Christmas Parties. Part-time children invited, pick up time 15:25
FRIDAY 18TH		Christmas Fun Morning (Home Clothes)
	12:00	End of Term. (No Creche)

All dates and events are subject to change.
New term begins Tuesday 12th January 2027

