

**REPORT TO: EDUCATION COMMITTEE –
20 DECEMBER 2004**

REPORT ON: SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2005/2006

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

REPORT NO: 793-2004

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval of the scheme for school terms and holidays for Session 2005/2006.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Education Committee adopt the draft scheme (see Appendix) as the Council's scheme of school terms and holidays for Session 2005/2006.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 None.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 None.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None.

6.0 BACKGROUND

6.1 The start of Session 2005/2006 was agreed by Dundee City Council Education Committee on 15 December 2003 (Article III refers).

6.2 The scheme proposes a school Session of 195 days for teaching staff and 190 for pupils.

6.3 In-Service days for teaching staff will be 15 August 2005, 10 and 11 November 2005, 26 May 2006 and 1 day in February/March 2006 allocated by secondary school cluster.

6.4 The proposed spring holiday is in accordance with established practice and includes the spring holiday week and Good Friday.

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- 6.5 A proposed mid-term holiday is 14,15 and 16 February 2006.
- 6.6 The proposed autumn fortnight is in accordance with established practice and includes the autumn holiday week.
- 6.7 Christmas Day falls on a Sunday. This means schools will close on Friday 23 December and re-open for the spring term on Monday 9 January 2006.
- 6.8 The end of session will be Friday 30 June 2006.

7.0 CONSULTATIONS

- 7.1 This report has been the subject of consultation with the Chief Executive, the Assistant Chief Executive (Management), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Teacher Associations, Head Teacher Organisations, Staff Unions, School Boards and the Directors of Education in Angus, Fife and Perth & Kinross Councils.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

NONE

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SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2005/2006				IN SERVICE DAYS	PUPIL SCHOOL DAYS
Autumn Term	Start	Staff	Monday 15 August 2005	Day 1	
	End	Pupils	Tuesday 16 August 2005		34
			Friday 30 September 2005		
Autumn Holiday	Start		Monday 3 October 2005		
	End		Friday 14 October 2005		
			(10 school days)		
Winter Term	Start		Monday 17 October 2005		
			Thursday 10 November 2005	Day 2	
			Friday 11 November 2005	Day 3	
	End		Friday 23 December 2005		48
Christmas Holiday	Start		Monday 26 December 2005		
	End		Friday 6 January 2006		
			(10 school days)		
Spring Term	Start		Monday 9 January 2006		
			Mon/Tues/Wed 13/14/15 February 2006	Mid Term	
			February/March By Cluster	Day 4	56
	End		Friday 31 March 2006		
Spring Holiday	Start		Monday 3 April 2006		
	End		Friday 14 April 2006		
			(10 school days)		
Summer Term	Start		Monday 17 April 2006		
			Monday 1 May 2006 May Day		
			Friday 26 May 2006	Day 5	52
			Monday 29 May 2006 Victoria Day		
	End		Friday 30 June 2006		
TOTAL					190
Total Number of School Days for Pupils					190
Total Number of Working Days for Staff					195
Session	Start	Staff	Monday 14 August 2006		
		Pupils	Tuesday 15 August 2006		
Notes: Easter Sunday 16 April 2006					
Induction Days for Primary 7 children will be week commencing Monday 12 June 2006					
Commencement of SQA Examination Tuesday 2 May 2006 (subject to confirmation)					

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CLOSURE DAYS 2005/2006

Closure Day 1	Monday 15 August 2005	City Wide
Closure Day 2	Thursday 10 November 2005	City Wide
Closure Day 3	Friday 11 November 2005	City Wide
Closure Day 4	Monday 20 February 2006	Harris Academy Cluster
	Friday 24 February 2006	Lawsid Academy Cluster
	Monday 27 February 2006	Menzieshill High Cluster
	Friday 3 March 2006	Braeview Academy Cluster
	Monday 6 March 2006	Craigie High Cluster
	Friday 10 March 2006	Grove Academy Cluster
	Monday 13 March 2006	St Saviour's High Cluster
	Friday 17 March 2006	Baldragon Academy Cluster (including Kingspark)
	Monday 20 March 2006	Morgan Academy Cluster
	Friday 25 March 2006	St John's High Cluster
Closure Day 5	Friday 26 May 2006	City Wide

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