

UPLANDS TERM CALENDAR 2026

		PUBLIC HOLIDAYS		
		01 January: New Year's Day	16 June: Youth Day	
		21 March: Human Rights Day	09 August: Women's Day (observed Mon 10 Aug)	
		03 April: Good Friday	24 September: Heritage Day	
		06 April: Easter Monday / Family Day	16 December: Day of Reconciliation	
		27 April: Freedom Day	25 December: Christmas Day	
		01 May: Workers' Day	26 December: Day of Goodwill	
TERM	ACADEMIC TERM DATES	NOTES ON START AND END OF EACH TERM	HALF TERM LONG WEEKENDS	NOTES
Lent Term TERM 1	Wednesday 14 January - Friday 27 March	School offices open on Monday 05 January. All Prep boarders arrive at 11h00 and New College boarders arrive from 14h00 on Monday 12 January. Orientation for new College pupils and parents on Tuesday 13 January. Existing College boarders arrive from 14h00 on Tuesday 13 January. Academics commence on Wednesday 14 January for all pupils.	Half Term: Friday 20 February – Monday 23 February Boarding Houses are closed School closes on Thursday afternoon and re-opens on Tuesday morning.	When planning return trips home, please bear in mind that pupils are expected to be at school until the close of the academic day, as advertised in the school calendar, on days prior to school holidays and long weekends. Boarders are expected to return the day prior to the start of school, or in time for the academic lessons
Pentecost Term TERM 2	Tuesday 14 April - Friday 26 June	Boarders return from 14h00 Monday 13 April Academics resume on Tuesday 14 April	Half Term: Friday 22 May – Monday 25 May Boarding Houses are closed School closes on Thursday afternoon and re-opens on Tuesday morning.	
Michaelmas Term TERM 3	Tuesday 21 July - Wednesday 23 September	Boarders return from 14h00 on Monday 20 July Academics resume on Tuesday 21 July	Half Term: Friday 21 August – Monday 24 August Boarding Houses are closed School closes on Thursday afternoon and re-opens on Tuesday morning.	
Christmas Term TERM 4	Wednesday 07 October - Friday 27 November	Boarders return from 14h00 on Tuesday 06 October Academics resume on Wednesday 07 October Pupils finish exams on Fri 27 Nov, Staff at school until Wednesday 02 December		