



*Head Start
Education & Tuition
2027*

YEAR 5 COURSE DATES & TIMES

AUTUMN TERM 2026

PHASE 1 – INTRODUCTORY A

(5 sessions = 10 hours total contact time)

Time: 9:15am – 11:15am or 11:45am – 1:45pm

Duration: 2 hours

Dates: Saturday September 26th and October 3rd 10th 17th 24th

PHASE 1 – INTRODUCTORY B

(5 sessions = 10 hours total contact time)

Time: 9:15am – 11:15am or 11:45am – 1:45pm

Duration: 2 hours

Dates: Saturday November 7th 14th 21st 28th and December 5th

SPRING TERM 2027

PHASE 2 – PREPARATORY

(5 sessions = 10 hours contact time total)

Time: 9:15am – 11:15am or 11:45am – 1:45pm

Duration: 2 hours

Dates: Saturday January 9th 16th 23rd 30th and February 6th

PHASE 3 – FOUNDATION

(5 sessions = 10 hours contact time total)

Time: 9:15am – 11:15am or 11:45am – 1:45pm

Duration: 2 hours

Dates: Saturday February 20th 27th and March 6th 13th 20th

PHASE 4 - ASSESSMENT & FAMILIARISATION DAY

(1 day = 7 hours 30 mins contact time)

Time: 9:15am – 4:45pm

Duration: 7 hours 30 mins

Dates: Saturday April 10th

SUMMER TERM 2027

PHASE 5 - PROGRESSION

(5 sessions = 12.5 hours contact time total)

Time: 9:15am – 11:45am OR 12:15pm – 2:45pm
Duration: 2 hours 30 mins
Dates: Saturday April 17th 24th and May 1st 8th 15th

PHASE 6 - EXTENSION

(5 sessions = 12.5 hours contact time total)

Time: 9:15am – 11:45am OR 12:15pm – 2:45pm
Duration: 2 hours 30 mins
Dates: Saturday June 5th 12th 19th 26th and July 3rd

MOCK TEST SERIES

(3 Sittings = 7.5 hours contact time)

Time: 9:15am – 11:45am **OR** 12:15pm – 2:45pm
Duration: 2.5 hours
Dates: Saturday 10th July AM (Tests 1 & 2) OR PM (Tests 3 & 4)
Saturday 17th July AM (Tests 5 & 6) OR PM (Tests 1 & 2)
Saturday 24th July AM (Tests 3 & 4) OR PM (Tests 5 & 6)

PHASE 7 - THE SUMMER SCHOOL

(5 Days = 37.5 hours total contact time)

Time: 9:15am- 4:45pm
Duration: 5 Days
Dates: **Week 1:** 2nd –6th August
Week 2: 9th – 13th August
Week 3: 16th – 20th August

PHASE 8 - REVISION*

(4 half-days = 15 hours total contact time)

Time: 9:15am – 1:00pm **OR** 1:30pm – 5:15pm
Duration: 3 hours 45 mins
Dates: August Tuesday 24th, Thursday 26th, Tuesday 31st and Saturday 4th September

Please note: The Revision Course is reserved for students who have attended the Summer School and/or TWO previous Head Start courses (e.g. Progression and Extension).

TOTAL PREPARATION TIME = 132.5 hours

30 Weekly Saturday classes in Phases 1, 2, 3, 5 & 6 = 65 hours
3 Mock Tests & 1 Assessment Day = 15 hours
5 Days Summer School = 37.5 hours
4 Revision Sessions = 15 hours

BUCKS SCHOOL TERMS DATES 2026/2027

School term and holiday dates for community and voluntary controlled schools in Buckinghamshire

KEY:

15 Holiday period

25 Bank Holiday

5 Pupils in school

2 HEAD START CLASS

Autumn Term 2026

	September				October				November				December						
Monday		7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28
Tuesday	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29	
Wednesday	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	
Thursday	3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	
Friday	4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25		
Saturday	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26		
Sunday	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27		

Spring Term 2027

	January				February				March				April					
Monday		4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26
Tuesday		5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27
Wednesday		6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28
Thursday		7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29
Friday	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30
Saturday	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	
Sunday	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	

Summer Term 2027

	May				June				July				August					
Monday	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30
Tuesday	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	31
Wednesday	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	
Thursday	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	
Friday	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	
Saturday	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28
Sunday	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29

Autumn Term 2027

	September	
Monday		6
Tuesday		7
Wednesday	1	8
Thursday	2	9
Friday	3	10
Saturday	4	
Sunday	5	

Bank holidays in 2026/27 academic year

Christmas Day - 25th Dec 2026
 New Year's Day - 1st Jan 2027
 Easter Monday - 29th March 2027
 Early May Bank Holiday - 3rd May 2027
 Boxing Day Substitute - 28th Dec 2026
 Good Friday - 26th March 2027
 May Spring Bank Holiday - 31st May 2027
 August Bank Holiday - 30th Aug 2027

Anticipated 11+ Dates

7th September – Anticipated date of **11+ Practice & Familiarisation**
9th September – Anticipated date of **11+ Secondary Transfer Tests**

CLASS TIMINGS

SCHOOL TERM SATURDAY CLASSES

PHASES	AM/PM	TIMES	Contact Time
Phase 1 - Introductory Phase 2 - Preparatory Phase 3 - Foundation	AM	9:15am – 11:15am	2hrs
	PM	11:45pm – 1:45pm	
Phase 5 - Progression Phase 6 - Extension Mock Tests	AM	9:15am – 11:45am	2hrs 30mins
	PM	12:15pm – 2:45pm	

HOLIDAY CLASSES

Phase 4 – Assessment Phase 7 – Summer School	9:15am – 4:45pm	7hrs 30mins
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Phase 8 Revision	AM	9.15am – 1:00pm	3hrs 45mins
	PM	1:30pm – 5:15pm	

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= 132.5 hours of preparation and tuition over the year