

FRANCE

Organisation of school time in primary and general secondary education 2016/17 school year

	Dates or periods
Starting date of students' school year	1 September 2016
End of students' school year	8 July 2017
Autumn holidays	2 weeks 19 October – 2 November 2016
Christmas/New Year	11 working days 17 December 2016 – 2 January 2017
Winter/Carnival	2 weeks 18 February – 5 March 2017 (zone A) 11-26 February 2017 (zone B) 4-19 February 2017(zone C)
Spring/Easter	2 weeks 15 April – 1 May 2017 (zone A) 8-23 April 2017 (zone B) 1-17 April 2017 (zone C)
Summer	8.5 weeks 8 July – 3 September 2017
Public/religious holidays	The following dates are regarded as public holidays by all institutions: 1 November 2016 (All Saints' Day) * 11 November 2016 (1918 Armistice Day) 25 December 2016 (Christmas) * 1 January 2017 (New Year) * 17 April 2017 (Easter Monday) 1 May 2017 (Labour Day) 8 May 2017 (end of WWII in Europe) 25 May 2017 (Ascension Day) 5 June 2017 (Whit Monday) 14 July 2017 (National holiday) * 15 August 2017 (Assumption Day) * * Days already included in 2016/17 school holidays
Starting date of teachers' school year	31 August 2016
End of teachers' school year	8 July 2017

Source: Eurydice.

Additional notes:

Zone A: Besançon, Bordeaux, Clermont-Ferrand, Dijon, Grenoble, Limoges, Lyon, Poitiers

Zone B: Aix-Marseille, Amiens, Caen, Lille, Nancy-Metz, Nantes, Nice, Orléans-Tours, Reims, Rennes, Rouen, Strasbourg

Zone C: Créteil, Montpellier, Paris, Toulouse, Versailles