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Organisation of school time in primary and general secondary education 2016/17 school year (1, 2)

	Primary education	General secondary education
Starting date of students' school year	Between 5 and 13 September 2016	Between 7 and 19 September 2016
End of students' school year	Between 20 and 27 June 2017	Between 16 and 28 June (3) 2017
Christmas/New Year	At least 2 weeks between 22 December 2016 and 8 January 2017	At least 2 weeks between 22 December 2016 and 8 January 2017
Winter/Carnival	Between 2 and 3 days (depending on the Autonomous Community) (4)	Between 2 and 3 days (depending on the Autonomous Community) (4)
Spring/Easter	About 10 days in the period between the second week and the fourth week of April 2017	About 10 days in the period between the second week and the fourth week of April 2017
Summer	12 weeks between late June and mid-September	12 weeks between late June and mid-September
Public/religious holidays	12 public holidays (some common throughout the country and some specific of the different Autonomous Communities).	12 public holidays (some common throughout the country and some specific of the different Autonomous Communities).
Starting date of teachers' school year	1 September 2016	1 September 2016
End of teachers' school year	30 June 2017	30 June 2017 (⁵)

Additional notes:

Total number: (²) The total minimum number of school days is 175 in primary, lower and upper secondary education in all Autonomous Communities, although there are some additional days in in several Communities.

(³) In the last year of post-compulsory upper general secondary education, classes finish two, three or four weeks earlier than in other stages. This time is meant for preparing entrance examinations to universities and final evaluation of *Bachillerato*, among others.

Total number: (4) In the different Autonomous Communities, the education authorities allocate a certain number of days (between 3 and 6) for Carnival, bank holidays or other free days or grant freedom to schools to allocate these days along the whole school year at their convenience.

(5) The management team of schools must stay in the school until 31 July.

⁽¹⁾ Dates vary according to the different Autonomous Communities, see the table below.