

Blackrock College



School Calendar

2026 – 2027

167th Academic Year

August 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Bank Holiday	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 Interviews by Year Deans	25 Interviews by Year Deans	26 Interviews by Year Deans House Captains' Leadership Retreat (12pm – 8pm)	27 Interviews by Year Deans House Captains' Leadership Retreat (9.00am – 6.00pm) Induction for New Staff Members (9.30am – 3.30pm)	28 Interviews by Year Deans Heads of Department Meeting No. 1 (9am) Staff Seminars (9.00am-3.30pm)	29
30 Boarders' arrive (16.00 – 18.00)	31 2 nd Year Induction (9.00am - 2.30pm) TY Student Induction (9.30am – 11.30am) 5 th Year Student Induction (12pm – 2pm)					

September 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Classes for all year groups (9.30am - 2.30pm) Board of Management Meeting (5.30pm)	2 First Aid Training - Games Department (1pm – 5pm)	3 Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (6 th Year) begins Start of Games Programme Transition Year Parents' Information evening (7pm)	4	5
6	7 Transition Year Career Aptitude & Interest Assessment (CAT & Eirquest) (9am) Night Study for Dayboys begins (6pm – 9pm)	8 Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (6 th Year) ends Clubs and Societies' Day 2 nd Year Parents' Information evening (7pm)	9	10 6 th Year Study Skills 6 th Year Parents' Information Evening (7pm)	11 Application Cards Inter-House Rugby 10s (3 rd – 6 th Year) (4pm)	12 2 nd Year Inter-House Rugby 10s (10am – 12pm)
13	14 New school year liturgy week begins 5 th Year Parents' Information Evening (7pm)	15 Health & Safety Committee meeting No. 1 (3pm) Parents' Council A.G.M. (7pm) and Year Committees Training (7.30pm)	16 Transition Year Tours (a.m.) Higher Options Conference 6 th Years – R.D.S. Heads of Department Meeting No. 2	17	18 New school year liturgy week ends Boarders' Weekend (3.45pm)	19
20 Boarders' Return (6pm – 8pm)	21 Environmental Action Week 1 begins Year Committee Meeting Week No. 1	22 3 rd Year Parents' Information Evening (7pm)	23	24 House Photographs for Annual (a.m.)	25 Environmental Action Week 1 ends Progress Cards No. 1 Karl Ashe Semi-final (4pm)	26 6 th Year Family Mass (6pm)
27 6 th Year Retreats begin	28 Commissioning of House Captains 3 rd Year Study Skills Education Committee meeting No.1 College Sailing Regatta	29 6 th Year Retreats end Subject Department Meetings No. 2	30			

October 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Subject Department Meetings No. 2	2 Feast of Claude Poullart Des Places, co-founder of the Holy Ghost Congregation Whole School Assembly - Commissioning of 2 nd Year & 6 th Year House Captains Karl Ashe Trophy Final (4pm)	3 Sunrise Walk (6am)
4 Parents' Retreat (9.20 am - 12.00 pm)	5 Wellbeing Week 1 (Literacy Day) begins	6 Wellbeing Week 1 (Anti-Bullying Day) Swimming Gala (6pm)	7 Wellbeing Week 1 (Literacy Day)	8 Wellbeing Week 1 5 th Year Retreats	9 Wellbeing Week 1 ends (Jersey Day) Eucharistic Adoration	10 6 th Year Saturday Study begins (9.30am – 12.30pm)
11	12 Maths Week begins	13 3 rd Year Day of Reflection I	14	15 3 rd Year Day of Reflection II Student Congress 5.30pm	16 Maths Week ends 3 rd Year Day of Reflection III	17 Career Talks 5 th and 6 th Year 1 (9am)
18	19	20 Board of Management Meeting (5.30pm) Careers Fair (6.30pm)	21	22 3 rd Year Family Mass (6.15pm) Rock-Ed (7.30pm)	23 Progress Cards No. 2 Class terminates at 3.45pm for Mid-term	24 Mid-term break
25 Mid-term break	26 Mid-term break	27 Mid-term break	28 Mid-term break	29 Mid-term break	30 Mid-term break	31

November 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Mid-term break	2 Whole School Closure: Subject Cluster Day. Boarders' Return (6pm – 8pm)	3 Classes Re-commence CAO Talk for Parents of 6 th Year (7pm)	4 Transition Year Tours (a.m.)	5 Heads of Department Meeting No. 3 Leman Auditions Mass of Remembrance (6.15pm)	6	7
8	9 Science Week begins Parents' Council Meeting (7pm) Year Committee Meeting Week No. 2	10 Subject Department Meetings No. 3 Health & Safety Committee Meeting No. 2 (3pm)	11	12 Subject Department Meetings No. 3 2 nd Year Family Mass (6.15pm)	13 Science Week ends	14 Career Talks 5 th and 6 th Year II (9am)
15	16 Blackrock College Radio begins	17 Blackrock College Radio School Musical begins	18 Blackrock College Radio School Musical	19 Blackrock College Radio School Musical Union Night at Musical	20 Blackrock College Radio ends School Musical ends	21
22	23 Irish/MFL Christmas Aurals Education Committee Meeting No. 2	24 Irish/MFL Christmas Aurals Board of Management Meeting (5.30pm)	25 2 nd Year St. Vincent de Paul Fundraising event	26 3 rd Year St. Vincent de Paul Fundraising event 5 th Year St. Vincent de Paul Fund-raiser 6 th Year 24-Hour Fast for St. Vincent de Paul (Commence 1.30pm) Staff Meeting (4 – 5.30pm) TY Family Mass (6.15pm)	27 6 th Year 24-Hour Fast for St. Vincent de Paul (End 1.30pm) St. Vincent de Paul Soccer Marathon (Transition Year) Boarders' Weekend (3.45pm)	28
29 Boarders' Return (6pm – 8pm)	30 Parents' Council Meeting (7pm)					

December 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Transition Year Year Parents' Conference (4.15pm – 6.45pm)	2	3	4 Eucharistic Adoration	5
6 Feast of Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Past Parents' Carol Service (4.30pm) Boarders' Carol Service and Family Mass (6.30pm)	7	8	9	10 Carol Service (2.30pm)	11	12
13	14 In-house exams begins	15 In-house exams	16 In-house exams	17 In-house exams	18 In-house exams Staff Eucharist (7pm)	19
20	21 In-house exams	22 In-house exams ends Class terminates - End of 1 st Term	23 Christmas holidays	24 Christmas holidays	25 Christmas Day, Nativity of The Lord	26 Christmas holidays
27 Christmas holidays	28 Christmas holidays	29 Christmas holidays	30 Christmas holidays	31 Christmas holidays		

January 2027



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Christmas holidays	2 Christmas holidays
3 Christmas holidays	4 Christmas holidays	5 Christmas holidays Boarders' Return (6pm – 8pm)	6 Classes Re-commence The Epiphany of the Lord – class continues	7 Transition Year Tours 6 th Year Parent-Teacher Meeting (4.15pm – 6.45pm)	8	9
10	11 Year Committee Meeting Week No. 3	12 Board of Management Meeting (5.30pm)	13 5 th Year Study Skills	14 3 rd Year Parent-Teacher Meeting (4.15pm – 6.45pm)	15 Transition Year Parents' Social	16
17	18 Catholic Schools' Week begins	19 Health & Safety Committee Meeting No. 3 (3pm) CV Preparation for 6 th Years (a.m.)	20	21	22 Eucharistic Adoration RockMUN	23 RockMUN
24 Catholic Schools' Week ends 6 th Year Sunday Study begins (9.30am – 12.30pm)	25 Education Committee Meeting No. 3 Leman Concert	26	27 6 th Year Mock Interviews (7pm)	28 5 th Year Parent-Teacher Meeting (4.15pm – 6.45pm)	29 Boarders' Weekend (3.45pm)	30
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February 2027



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Bank Holiday St Brigid's Day Boarders' Return (6pm – 8pm)	2 Feast of Venerable Francis Libermann Wellbeing Week (Mental Health Action Focus) begins Parents' Council Meeting (7pm)	3 Wellbeing Week	4 Wellbeing Week (Addiction Awareness Focus) Heads of Department Meeting No. 4	5 Eucharistic Adoration Wellbeing Week ends	6 TY Immersion Programme to Kenya begins
7	8 Transition Year Work Experience Week I begins Irish/MFL Easter Aural Tests	9 Irish/MFL Easter Aural Tests Safer Internet Day Annual Cake Sale for Marigat Board of Management Meeting (5.30pm)	10 Ash Wednesday Career Interviews – 6 th Year (7pm)	11 2 nd Year Parent-Teacher Meeting (4.15pm – 6.45pm)	12 Transition Year Work Experience I ends Progress Card No. 3 Class Terminates at 3.45 pm for Mid-term	13 Mid-term break
14 Mid-term break	15 Mid-term break	16 Mid-term break	17 Mid-term break TY Immersion Programme to Kenya ends	18 Mid-term break	19 Mid-term break	20 Mid-term break
21 Mid-term break	22 Whole School Closure: Programme Support Boarders' Return (6.00 pm – 8.00 pm)	23 Classes Re-commence Subject Department Meetings No. 4 6 th Year Mock Orals begin 1 st Year Parents' Information Evening Re: 2 nd Year 2027 - 2028 (7pm)	24 6 th Year Mock Orals	25 6 th Year Mock Orals Subject Department Meetings No. 4 Staff Meeting (4pm – 5.30pm)	26 6 th Year Mock Orals	27
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March 2027



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6 th Year Mock Orals Parents' Council Meeting (7pm) Year Committee Meeting Week No. 4	2 6 th Year Mock Orals end Health & Safety Committee Meeting No. 4 (3pm)	3 In-house exams begin	4 In-house exams	5 In-house exams	6
7	8 In-house exams Transition Year Work Experience Week II begins	9 In-house exams	10 In-house exams	11 In-house exams	12 In-house exams ends Transition Year Work Experience Week II ends	13
14	15 Seachtain na Gaeilge begins Lenten Liturgical Services Week begins Education Committee Meeting No. 4	16 Seachtain na Gaeilge Board of Management Meeting (5.30pm)	17 St. Patrick's Day – school closed	18 Seachtain na Gaeilge	19 Seachtain na Gaeilge ends Lenten Liturgical Services Week ends Class terminates - End of 2 nd Term	20 Easter holidays
21	22 Easter holidays	23 Easter holidays	24 Easter holidays	25 Easter holidays Holy Thursday – College Union Retreat	26 Easter holidays Good Friday – College Union Retreat	27 Easter holidays
28 Easter holidays Easter Sunday	29 Easter holidays	30 Easter holidays	31			

April 2027



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
			Easter holidays	Easter holidays	Easter holidays	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Easter holidays Boarders' Return (6pm – 8pm)	Classes Re-commence Parents' Council Meeting (7pm)			5 th Year Family Mass (6.15pm)		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Environmental Action Week 2 begins 2 nd Year Day of Reflection I	2 nd Year Day of Reflection II Past v. Present Debate (7.30pm)		2 nd Year Day of Reflection III 3 rd Year Parents' Information Evening *Re: Junior Cycle Examinations and T.Y. (7pm)	Environmental Action Week 2 ends 2 nd Year Day of Reflection IV	5K Rock Run
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
		2 nd /4 th Year Musical begins	2 nd /4 th Year Musical	2 nd /4 th Year Musical	2 nd /4 th Year Musical ends	
25	26	27	28	29	30	
	Extra-Curricular Photographs for Annual Year Committee Meeting Week No. 5	Heads of Department Meeting No. 5 Board of Management Meeting (5.30pm)		6 th Year Parents' Information evening (7pm)	TY Camino begins Boarders' Weekend (3.45pm)	

May 2027



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Willow Wheelers 100 Miles Cycle
2	3 Bank holiday	4 School closed (classes suspended) Boarders' Return (6pm – 8pm)	5 Staff Retreat (1.30pm)	6 Staff Meeting (4pm – 5.30pm)	7 TY Camino ends Eucharistic Adoration Progress Cards No. 4	8
9	10 TY 'Music, Art and Drama Festival' M.A.D. Festival Week begins Student Congress (5.30pm) Parents' Council Meeting (7pm)	11 Subject Department Meetings No. 5	12	13 Subject Department Meetings No. 5 Summer Concert, Orchestra & Choir (7pm)	14 TY 'Music, Art and Drama Festival' M.A.D. Festival Week ends	15
16 Sports & Family Day (1.45pm – 4.30pm)	17 Education Committee Meeting No. 5	18 Gaisce TY Trip Health & Safety Committee Meeting No. 5 (3pm)	19 Gaisce TY Trip Transition Year Day of Reflection	20 Gaisce TY Trip	21	22
23 6 th Year Graduation Mass (12pm)	24	25 Board of Management Meeting (5.30pm)	26	27	28 Academic Prize Giving (4.30pm - 6pm)	29
30	31 Transition Year Portfolio Assessment & Interviews					

June 2027



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Transition Year Portfolio Assessment & Interviews	2 Class Ends for 3 rd , 4 th and 6 th Year Summer Tests begin for 2 nd and 5 th Year Hall of Residence: Parents' BBQ (6pm)	3 Union AGM	4 Class ends for 2 nd and 5 th Year	5 Irish Schools Athletics Championships (Tullamore, Co. Offaly)
6	7 Bank Holiday	8	9 State Examinations begin	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 Board of Management Meeting (5.30pm)	23	24	25 BCPA 'Bring & Buy' (Uniform and Books) in aid of Marigat	26
27	28	29	30			