

Chennai School Holiday Calendar 2026

Public holidays, term breaks and school-specific confirmation notes

How to use this calendar: This is a planning aid for Chennai parents. Government public holidays do not automatically confirm closure for every school. Check your school's circular, parent portal or official website before making plans.

1. Key school-term breaks: academic year 2026-27

The dates below are reported in coverage of Tamil Nadu's 2026-27 school academic calendar. Confirm that they apply to your child's school, especially for CBSE, ICSE and international schools.

Break	Dates	Confirmation note
First-term break	26 Sep - 4 Oct 2026	Reported for state calendar; confirm with school.
Second-term / year-end break	24 Dec 2026 - 3 Jan 2027	Reported term break; school schedules may differ.
Summer vacation	25 Apr - 31 May 2027	Verify last working day and reopening date.

2. Tamil Nadu public and festival holidays listed for 2026

These dates are taken from the supplied holiday reference. Verify dates and applicability against official notifications. Moon-sighting festival dates may be subject to change, and public holidays do not necessarily mean every school is closed.

Date	Holiday	School check
1 Jan 2026	New Year's Day	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
15 Jan 2026	Pongal	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
16 Jan 2026	Thiruvalluvar Day	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
17 Jan 2026	Uzhavar Thirunal	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
26 Jan 2026	Republic Day	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
1 Feb 2026	Thai Poosam	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
19 Mar 2026	Telugu New Year's Day	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
21 Mar 2026	Eid-ul-Fitr (confirm official date)	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
31 Mar 2026	Mahavir Jayanti	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
3 Apr 2026	Good Friday	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
14 Apr 2026	Tamil New Year / Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Jayanti	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
1 May 2026	May Day	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
28 May 2026	Eid-ul-Adha (Bakrid - confirm official date)	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
26 Jun 2026	Muharram (confirm official date)	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
15 Aug 2026	Independence Day	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
26 Aug 2026	Milad-un-Nabi (confirm official date)	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
4 Sep 2026	Krishna Jayanti	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
14 Sep 2026	Vinayakar Chathurthi	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
2 Oct 2026	Gandhi Jayanti	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
19 Oct 2026	Ayutha Pooja	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
20 Oct 2026	Vijaya Dasami	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
8 Nov 2026	Deepavali	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.
25 Dec 2026	Christmas Day	Confirm against the school's holiday circular.

3. School-specific confirmation checklist

- Check whether each date is a public holiday, a school vacation day or an institution-specific closure.
- Verify the school's circular, official website, parent app or class communication channel.
- For CBSE, ICSE and international schools, confirm term breaks and reopening dates directly.
- For moon-sighting festivals, check the latest official notification.

- Before booking travel, confirm the last working day and reopening date.

4. Official sources to check

Tamil Nadu Government Gazette: <https://www.stationeryprinting.tn.gov.in/gazette.php>

Official gazette notifications and government orders.

Tamil Nadu Government Portal: <https://www.tn.gov.in/>

Government announcements and department links.

Chennai District Administration: <https://chennai.nic.in/>

District-level notices and announcements.

Tamil Nadu School Education Department: <https://tnschools.gov.in/>

Education-related information and updates.

2026-27 school calendar reporting: <https://www.livechennai.com/detailnews.asp?catid=100&newsid;=81525>

Secondary reporting; confirm with school/department.

Disclaimer: This calendar is for planning only and is not a substitute for a school-issued academic calendar or an official notification. Dates should be rechecked before publication and whenever an official announcement changes.

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