

University-Led Secondary PGCE Calendar 2026-2027

University Day:

Monday

English

MFL

Drama

CS

Art

RE

Music

Friday

Science

Maths

History

Geography

PE

DT

Social sciences
business/studies/
Economics

	Uni Led PP1 Placement / Partner Led Base School Placement		Uni Days - Monday Group
	Uni Led PP2 / Partner Led Comp Placement		Uni Days - Friday Group
	Partner Led Base School Placement		Special events - all in university
	ITaPs		Support Sessions

Please note that there is an expectation that students will attend school based provision when their university day switches e.g. in week 22 all students are expected to be in school for the Mon - Wed of that week.

W/C	Uni wk						Content	
		Monday	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Friday	Yellow = in PEn groups	Blue = in subject groups
31-Aug-26	48	BANK HOLIDAY	Partner-led trainees in school if required	Foundation Week	Foundation Week	Foundation Week	Pink = whole cohort	Peach = individual support
07-Sep-26	49	Foundation Week	Foundation Week	Partner-led trainees in school Mentor Conf (F2F)	School for all	School for all		
14-Sep-26	50	university - English, MFL, Drama, CS, Art, RE, Music				university - Science, Maths, History, Geography, PE, DT, Social Sciences, Business/Economics	Introduction to SS1 & Issues in Subject	
21-Sep-26	51	Behaviour (all at uni)	Bhv (PL/uni delivered) / Mentor Conf (Online)	Behaviour embed	Behaviour embed	university	Issues in Subject (Friday)	
28-Sep-26	52	university				Behaviour (PL/uni delivered)	Issues in Subject (Monday)	
05-Oct-26	1	university				university	Neurodiverse learner case study	Meeting professional expectations
12-Oct-26	2	Planning (all at uni)	Planning (PL/uni delivered)	Planning (in school)	Planning (in school)	Planning (in school)	Planning ITaP	
19-Oct-26	3	university				university	Subject - Planning & Issues in Subject (grow day)	
26-Oct-26	4						reading week	
02-Nov-26	5	Literacy ITaP (all at uni)	Literacy ITaP (PL/uni delivered)				Literacy ITaP	
09-Nov-26	6					Careers/Study Day	Careers/Study/Tutorials	
16-Nov-26	7	university				university	Principles and practices of assessment in subject	
23-Nov-26	8	university				university	Socially disadvantaged case study	Developing coaching relationships
30-Nov-26	9	university				university	Subject Pedagogy	
07-Dec-26	10	university				university	Tutorials	
14-Dec-26	11	Interdisciplinary Day (Cross Phase)					Interdisciplinary Day (Cross Phase)	
21-Dec-26	12						Christmas	
28-Dec-26	13						Christmas	
04-Jan-27	14	university				university	Subject Pedagogy - Covering PEN1 to ALL then subject for the rest of the day	
11-Jan-27	15	university - SS1			Mentor Conf (F2F)	university	Subject Pedagogy - adaptive teaching	
18-Jan-27	16	university	Mentor Conf (Online)			university	Equality Act & LGBTQ+ case study	P
25-Jan-27	17	university			Inclusion Conference (all at uni)	Adaptive Teaching (PL/uni delivered)	Inclusion Conference (Day 1 of ITAP)	
01-Feb-27	18	university	Adaptive Teaching (in school)	Adaptive Teaching (in school)	Adaptive Teaching (in school)	university	Subject Pedagogy - metacognition	
08-Feb-27	19	university				university	Pastoral Care/ Hard To Reach Learners/ Forces/Travellers/ Communicating with Parents	PEN1 assignment Support
15-Feb-27	20						reading week	
22-Feb-27	21	university				university	Race, Racism and Education	PEN1 assignment support
01-Mar-27	22	university				university	Inclusion & EAL	
08-Mar-27	23	university				university	Safeguarding and Mental Health case study	Preparing for your Viva: Bringing the 'Learn Why', 'Learn That' and 'Learn How' together.
15-Mar-27	24	university				university	subject pedagogy	
22-Mar-27	25	university				Good Friday	Tutorials	
29-Mar-27	26							
05-Apr-27	27							
12-Apr-27	28	university - PEN				university	Subject Pedagogy - Progress feedback	Stretch & Challenge
19-Apr-27	29	Green Space Day					Green Space Day	
26-Apr-27	30	Subject Pedagogy	Literacy (in school)	Literacy focus (in school)	Literacy (in school)	Subject Pedagogy	academic presentation (SS2) & creativity in subject	
03-May-27	31	BANK HOLIDAY	full-time in school					
10-May-27	32	PP1 - literacy report						
17-May-27	33							
24-May-27	34							
31-May-27	35						reading week	
07-Jun-27	36	SS2						
14-Jun-27	37							
21-Jun-27	38					ECT Conference	Course Completion Day: Preparation for first post and ECF	
28-Jun-27	39	Additional days in school as required. Experience has shown us that some trainees need a little longer than the length of the planned programme to securely meet the standards for QTS. It is in your own interests to keep these dates free for such an eventuality.						
05-Jul-27	40					Exam board		