



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2025/26

### Autumn Term 2025

Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	09.30-12.00 Order & Purchase Uniform – Goodwin Academy 14.00-16.00 Peter Pan Pantomime Audition – Leas Cliff Hall
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	<u>Autumn Term 2025 Commences</u>
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	<u>Autumn Half Term Week</u>
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Folkestone Light Switch-On (TBC for students appearing in the Leas Cliff Hall Panto!)
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Rehearsals for DAPA “Christmas Spectacular” Goodwin Academy
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Rehearsals for DAPA “Christmas Spectacular” Astor School
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	DAPA “Christmas Spectacular!” (All DAPA Students) <i>1pm &amp; 5pm Performances at the Astor School Theatre</i>

*After the excitement of the Christmas show – we will not run classes on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December, so that everyone has a chance to recover!! We will incorporate the Irish classes into our “Chance to Dance” week.*

Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	“Chance to Dance” – 5 days of (free) classes – your chance to try out a different class!! Bring your friends and try out any DAPA class that you don’t usually attend, or a higher level, totally free of charge! (Tuesday - Saturday)
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Dover Light Switch On! 3pm to 4pm (Selected Students)
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	<u>Last day of a 12 Week Term</u>

### *Christmas Holidays*

### Spring Term 2026

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	<u>Spring Term 2026 Commences</u>
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	“Pointe Shoe Workshop” 8pm to 8.45pm – for all students with new Pointe Shoes.
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	<u>Spring Half Term Week</u>
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	First Ceili Night – All Irish Dance Students (Except Juniors!) <i>American Supper, Ceili Band and Dancing at St. Margaret’s Hall</i>
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Second Ceili Night - All Irish Dance Students (Except Juniors!) <i>American Supper, Ceili Band and Dancing at St. Margaret’s Hall</i>

Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Rotary Club, Charity Irish Night. 8pm in Whitfield. (Troupe)
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	<b>“Open Doors Week” – Parents may observe classes (Mon-Sat)</b> <i>This opportunity will be spread over two weeks, parents will be informed as to when they can watch classes</i>
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Exam Preparation Day (For All Students Taking Exams)
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Last day of a 12 Week Term</b>  <i>Easter Holidays</i>
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Holiday Workshops “Dance & MTC Intensive” (Tuesday-Friday)

### **Summer Term 2026**

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	<b><u>Summer Term 2026 Commences</u></b>
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday – <i>No classes</i> <i>There will be a rehearsal for the Irish Show in place of classes</i>
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Irish Show Rehearsal – St. Margaret’s Village Hall – 1pm to 5pm
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	“Spirit of Ireland” Irish Dance Show (ALL Irish Dance Students) Rehearsals in the morning (times TBC) Performance at 3pm at <i>St. Margaret’s Hall</i>
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	<b><u>Summer Half Term Week</u></b>
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	“Sing For Your Supper” 4pm– 8pm Rehearsal <i>St. Margaret’s Hall</i>
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June and Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	“Sing For Your Supper” (an American Supper with Singing and Entertainment) MTC 9+ & 12+ and ALL Singing Students <i>7pm St. Margaret’s Hall</i>
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	DAPA Dance Exams & Class Awards – (Selected dance students and ALL Street Dance Classes & DAPA Choir) <i>St. Margaret’s Hall</i>
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Walmer Children’s Festival – <i>Selected Students</i>
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	DAPA Dance Exams & Class Awards – (Selected dance students and ALL Musical Theatre Classes) <i>St. Margaret’s Hall</i>
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	DAPA IRISH Dance Exams (Selected Dance Students)
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	No Classes on this day! There will be a schedule of rehearsals for the Graduation Show on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday at Goodwin Academy
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Graduation Show rehearsals – Astor School Theatre
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Last day of a 12 Week Term</b>
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>DAPA Graduation Show (ALL DAPA Students)</b> <i>Astor School Theatre</i>

### *Summer Holidays*

**Monday 27th July to  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> to  
Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August**

**St. Margaret's Festival Ballet Rehearsals "Sleeping Beauty"  
"Sleeping Beauty" Performances (Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> to include the  
Junior Ballet students)**

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August**

**TBC – Martha Trust Charity Event (Street Dance & Irish Dance)**

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August**

**DAPA Summer Schools in Deal (Tuesday to Friday)**

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August**

**DAPA Summer Schools in Deal (Mon to Thurs)**

### **Autumn Term 2026**

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**09.30-12.00    Order & Purchase Uniform  
14.00-16.00    Pantomime Audition TBC**

***Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September***

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