



Hermannsburg School Dates for 2026 – Hermannsburger Schultermine für 2026

Please note that even dates not marked 'TBC' may change due to unforeseen circumstances.

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SCHOOL TERMS / SCHULQUARTALE			
Term / Quartal	Anreisetag : Boarders return to Boarding Establishment (BE) on	Schulanfang : School starts on (1 st school day)	Schulschluss : School ends on (last school day)
First term / Erstes Quartal	Sunday, 11 January	Sunday, 11 January	Friday, 27 March
Second term / Zweites Quartal	Tuesday, 7 April	Wednesday, 8 April	Friday, 26 June
Third term / Drittes Quartal	Sunday, 19 July	Monday, 20 July	Tuesday, 22 September
Fourth term / Viertes Quartal	Sunday, 4 October	Monday, 5 October	Friday, 27 November
MID-TERM BREAKS / LANGE WOCHENENDEN			
Term / Quartal	Schulschluss : School ends at 17:00 on	Anreisetag : Boarders return to Boarding Establishment (BE) on	Schulanfang : School starts again on
First term / Erstes Quartal	Tuesday, 17 February	Sunday, 22 February	Monday, 23 February
Second term / Zweites Quartal	Tuesday, 19 May	Sunday, 24 May	Monday, 25 May
Third term / Drittes Quartal	Tuesday, 11 August	Sunday, 16 August	Monday, 17 August
Fourth term / Viertes Quartal	Tuesday, 27 October	Sunday, 1 November	Monday, 2 November

While great care and long deliberation went into the planning of the dates for 2026, they are subject to updates and changes without prior notice.

CLOSED WEEKENDS / GESCHLOSSENE WOCHENENDEN	
On closed weekends, affected boarders may not go home and day scholars are required to participate in school activities.	
Date / Datum	Scholars Affected / Betroffene SchülerInnen
Friday, 16 January – Sunday, 18 January	► All scholars planning to participate in the Germany Exchange Programme – orientation camp ► Prefects – leadership camp ► Grade 8 scholars – 'bonding camp' (close of Grade 8 orientation programme) ► Grade 9 scholars – class camp

ADDITIONAL COMPULSORY SCHOOL DAYS / ZUSÄTZLICHE SCHULTAGE	
On additional compulsory school days, boarders and day scholars may go home after the school activities conclude. Bus transport may be provided, for day scholars only. ALL public holidays falling during the week are normal, full school days in HMB.	
Saturday, 24 January	Whole School – R&B Inter-house Swimming Gala
Friday, 6 March – Saturday, 7 March	Primary School & High School – Mini-Olympiade and High School Open Day
Saturday, 9 May	Whole School – Schulfest – celebrating 170 years of HMB
Saturday, 1 August	Whole School – R&B Inter-house Athletics Meeting
Saturday, 29 August	Primary School – Umvoti Athletics at Hermannsburg

Some Other Dates to Remember / Weitere wichtige Termine

11.01.2026	Opening church service (09:00) High School 2025 Awards Ceremony (10:15) Parents' Annual General Meeting (11:15) Meetings for Grade 8, 10 & 11 parents (11:45 onwards) Prefect, Grade 8, Grade 9 and GEP camps	31.07–01.08.2026	R&B Inter-house athletics meeting [Compulsory]
16.01–18.01.2026	R&B Inter-house swimming gala [Compulsory]	11.08.2026	Photo Day – High School & Primary School
24.01.2026	Deutsches Sprachdiplom (DSD) camp	19.08–20.08.2026	DSD Schriftliche Examen (written examinations – TBC)
13.02–14.02.2026	Quadrangular Gala (TBC)	25.08.2026	Quadrangular athletics meeting (TBC)
17.02.2026	Umvoti Gala (TBC)	29.08.2026	Umvoti athletics at Hermannsburg [Compulsory]
24.02.2026	Co-Ed Gala (High School – TBC)		OPEN DAY for prospective Grades 6 & 7 (booking required)
28.02.2026	Fasching / Karneval		Co-ed athletics meeting – TBC
04.03.2026	Mini-Olympiade – Primary School [Compulsory]	31.08–18.09.2026	Grade 12 Trial Examinations ('prelims')
06.03–07.03.2026	OPEN DAY for prospective Grades 6 & 7 (booking required)	05.09.2026	King & Queen Ball for the Kindergarten
07.03.2026	Kindergarten parents' days – meet with the teachers	03.09–04.09.2026	HMB Penrose Golf Academy Championships (A & B Div.)
16.03–19.03.2026	Primary School parents' day – meet with the teachers	06.09.2026	Confirmation Service (Peter-Paul church, Hermannsburg – TBC)
18.03.2026	Speech & Drama Festival at HMB (TBC)	12.09.2026	33 rd annual HMB Golf Day
20.03.2026	Grade 8 parents' day – meet with the teachers (11:00)	13.09.2026	Breakfast 9 golf at St Cathryn's Golf Estate
27.03.2026	German GEP partners in Hermannsburg	13.09–19.09.2026	Grade 7 class tour – TBC
15.03–12.04.2026	Music in the Mountains (Drakensberg Boys' Choir School TBC)	14.09–16.09.2026	Grade 1–6 class tour – TBC
24.04–26.04	OPEN DAY for prospective Grades 6 & 7 (booking required)	19.09.2026	HMB Penrose Golf Academy Championships (C Div.)
25.04.2026	NORMAL SCHOOL DAYS	07.10.2026	HMB Inter-House Music Competition
27.04–01.05.2026	Music in May in Hermannsburg	08.10.2026	Deutscher Tag / German Day – TBC
08.05.2026	Schulfest [Compulsory] – celebrating 170 years of HMB!	09.10.2026	Grade 12 Awards Ceremony (12:00)
09.05.2026	Hermannsburg GEP participants in Germany	14.10–27.11.2026	Grade 12 IEB NSC examinations
17.05–14.06.2026	June examinations for semesterised subjects (Grades 8 & 9)	17.10.2026	OPEN DAY for prospective Grades 6 & 7 (booking required)
25.05–26.05.2026	Grade 12 Speech Night (English HL – by invitation)	19–30.10.2026	International Bench-marking Tests for Grades 6 & 9
27.05.2026	Semester 2 subject teaching starts (Grades 8 & 9)	23.10.2026	Kindergarten Opa & Oma Tag (grandparents' day)
	Grade 12 Farewell (by invitation only)	11–27.11.2026	November examinations
06.06.2026	KINDERGARTEN OPEN DAY / PRIMARY SCHOOL FUN DAY	14.11.2026	Kindergarten Graduation
16.06.2026	June examinations (HS)	20.11.2026	Grade 7 Farewell function
18–26.06.2026	High School parents' day – meet with the teachers	27.11.2026	Primary School Awards Ceremony – year ends for scholars
19.07.2026	Grade 11 leadership camp [Compulsory]	02.12.2026	Teachers' school year ends
20.07–22.07.2026		10.12.2026	High School teachers finish marking IEB NSC papers
		10.01.2027	High School Awards Ceremony

TBC = To Be Confirmed

Buses for boarders will only run at the start and end of mid-term breaks and short holidays (April and October) – luggage space is restricted.
Boarders must wear their formal school uniform while travelling on the buses / to and from school.

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