
Public holidays, school holidays and time changeover

Public holidays

No work is done on public holidays for religious or secular reasons. Shops and authorities are closed on these days.

The following public holidays are on the same date every year:

- 01.01. New Year
- 06.01. Epiphany
- 01.05. Labour Day
- 08.08. Peace Festival (only in the city of Augsburg)
- 15.08. Assumption Day
- 03.10. Day of German Unity
- 01.11. All Saints' Day
- 25.12. 1st Christmas Day
- 26.12. 2nd Christmas Day

Other public holidays change from year to year. You can find an overview of public holidays in Bavaria [here](#).

School holidays

School holidays are the times of the year when pupils are off school. In Bavaria, the new school year begins every year in September.

- Autumn holidays: There is a week around All Saints' Day (public holiday).
- Christmas holidays: There are two weeks around Christmas and New Year (public holidays).
- Winter holidays: There is one week of winter holidays in February.
- Easter holidays: There are two weeks of holidays in spring
- Whitsun holidays: There are two weeks of holidays in early summer.
- Summer holidays: In summer, the school year ends at the end of July/beginning of August with six weeks of holidays.

You can find an overview of all upcoming public holidays and school holidays [here](#).

Religious holidays

Jewish, Muslim and Orthodox pupils are exempt from lessons on certain religious holidays:
www.km.bayern.de/ministerium/termine/ferientermin...

Please inform the school if your child cannot come to school due to these holidays.

Intercultural calendar

The [intercultural](#) calendar provides an overview of the most important holidays of the different religious communities.

Time change

There is also a time change in Germany. This means that

- The clock is set forward one hour from winter to summer time. The night of the time change is therefore one hour shorter. It is dark for longer in the morning. But it is light for longer in the evening.
- From summer to winter time, the clock is set back by one hour. The night of the time change is therefore one hour longer. It gets light earlier in the morning. But it gets dark earlier in the evening.

The dates for the time change are

- Daylight saving time always begins on the last Sunday in March at 2 am. The clock is set forward from 2 o'clock to 3 o'clock.
- Winter time always begins on the last Sunday in October at 3 am. The clock is set back from 3 o'clock to 2 o'clock.

The dates for the time change in **2025** are:

- Start of daylight saving time: March 30, 2025
- Start of winter time: October 26, 2025

The dates for the time change in **2026** are:

- Start of daylight saving time: March 29, 2026
- Start of winter time: October 25, 2026

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