

Primary Assembly



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Your latest results: “Is it everyone’s responsibility to end homelessness?”



Yes

69.7%

No

30.3%

“People have to remember it’s not the homeless people’s fault that they’re homeless.”

Glendale Gaelic Primary

“If we ever became homeless, we would want people to help us so we should do the same.”

Starbank School (Hob Moor Road)

“I don’t think we have the ability to stop or help homelessness because I believe that the Government should take care of it instead of us.”

Pheasant Bank Academy

“No because you might not have a lot of money yourself, so how can you give some money when you don’t have enough?”

Kettering Buccleuch Academy

46,093 young people voted this week! Were you one of them?

Your latest results: “Is it everyone’s responsibility to end homelessness?”

“It was great to see young people thinking about this important issue. [...] The reality is that if enough people take what may seem like small actions the overall impact can be significant. Whether that’s an individual act of kindness towards a person who is homeless, or a decision to support a particular politician, or business, or charity that you think might be more likely to act in a way that will help end homelessness, we can all do something, and it will make a difference, even if things don’t change overnight. Just thinking and talking about homelessness for this debate is a great first step, so thanks and well done to everyone involved.”



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**Duncan Lewis, CEO
Emmaus, Hertfordshire**

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Thought of the week:

**Why are
holidays when
they are?**



Holidays are coming



The **winter break** is nearly here, **nearly**. There's still **learning** to be done though!





Holidays are coming



In your **VotesforSchools** lessons this week, you are looking at **whether breaks** from school should be **moved** to different times of the year.



But why are **days off from school** when they are? Let's **explore...**



Take a break



We have **breaks** in **winter**, **spring** and **summer**. When and why did these start?

Filling a break

Give a gesture with your hands to complete the statements about holidays.





The word "holiday" comes from "_____" and "day".



holly



holy



whole



The Government gave Britons across the country official breaks from work for the first time with the Bank Holiday Act of _____.



1771



1871



1971



In the past, foreign travel during summer was only enjoyed by rich people. Visiting new places abroad was called _____.



The
Grand
Tour



Jolly
Journeys



Top Hat
Travels



The invention of _____ allowed ordinary people to take a break, usually a day trip to the seaside.



cars



ferries



trains



The Holidays with Pay Act of 1938 gave workers _____ of paid holiday. This was when families started going away for a few days.



one week

two weeks

three weeks



The Easter holidays are linked to religious festivals. Did you know, the word Easter comes from *Eostre*, the _____ goddess of spring?



Greek



Anglo-Saxon



Roman



It is not clear why there has been a long summer break for children for so many years. Some people say it could be because of all of the below!



the warm weather



children helping with the harvest



an American who said children would suffer illnesses without a long break

Thinking about that next holiday



There are breaks **throughout the year** of **different numbers** of days off. Some are **one-day bank holidays**. Other breaks are long, like the **summer break!**



Thinking about that next holiday

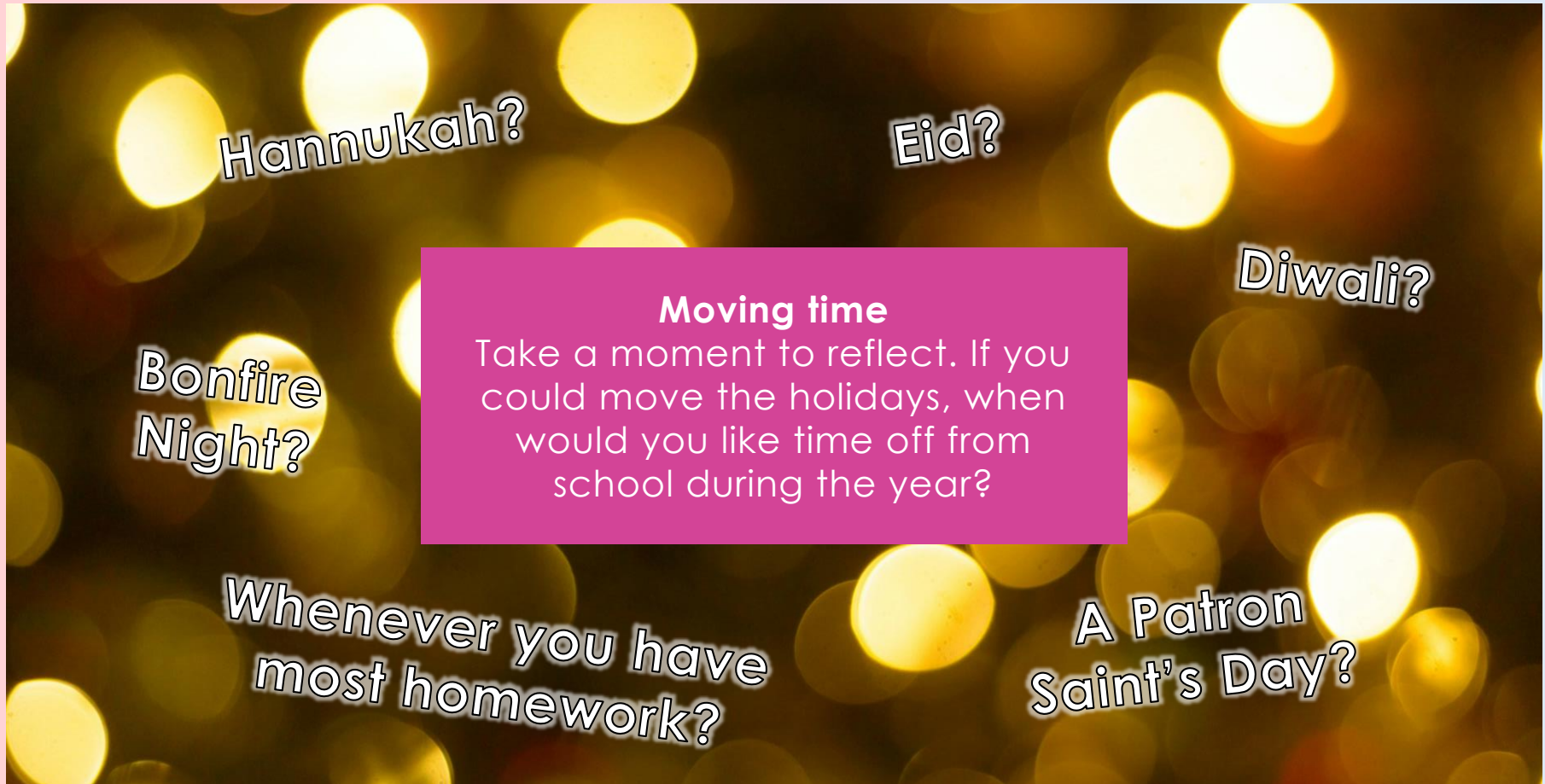


In this week's lessons you'll be thinking about whether our **days off** and **breaks** could be **moved** to a **different time** of year.





What if the holidays were **changed** around? When would **you** move them to?
Are there **times of the year**, such as **religious holidays** or other **celebrations**, when you would like to have **time off from school**?



This week you're discussing: "Should school holidays be moved around?"

Yes

There's too much time off for Christmas when it's cold and you're stuck inside.

A shorter summer holiday would help because I find it difficult to remember the things I've learned after a break from school.

The autumn term is very long. I'd like an extra week of holiday to rest and relax.

I like having lots of time to meet with family at Christmas and New Year.

We need to make sure children at different schools have the same time off so families and friends can come together.

We should keep all the time off in the summer when the weather is warmer.

No

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