

## KEY EVENTS 2025-26

### QUARTER 1

#### APRIL

- **Monday 7-Monday 21:** Easter Holidays
- **Friday 25:** SQA Exams start

#### MAY

- **Wednesday 1-Thursday 30:** SQA Exams
- **Tuesday 20 & Wednesday 21:** Island Legacy (Kirkwall Grammar School)
- **Tuesday 27-Thursday 29:** Health and Wellbeing Week: Activity Days (KGS)

#### JUNE

- **Tuesday 3:** New Academic Year starts
- **Various dates throughout academic year:** Lunch with an Employer (Stromness Academy) (contact the team to discuss)

### QUARTER 2

#### JULY

- **Thursday 3 & Friday 4:** Kirkwall Grammar School and Stromness Academy CLOSED
- **Monday 7:** Summer Holidays start

#### AUGUST

- **Tuesday 5:** No Wrong Path (online campaign)
- **Tuesday 19:** Schools return
- **Tuesday 19 & Wednesday 20:** Kirkwall Grammar School and Stromness Academy CLOSED

#### SEPTEMBER

- **Isles Careers Roadshow:**
- **Monday 1:** Sanday Junior High
- **Wednesday 10:** Stromsay Junior High
- **Tuesday 23:** Westray Junior High

### QUARTER 3

#### OCTOBER

- **Thursday 2:** Construction Careers Event (all schools)
- **Monday 13-Tuesday 28:** October Break
- **Friday 31:** Hospitality Sector Day (KGS)

#### NOVEMBER

- **Friday 7:** Heritage Careers Event (KGS)
- **Tuesday 11:** Apprenticeship Marketplace (KGS)

#### DECEMBER

- **Wednesday 3 & Thursday 4:** Solihull Approach for Young People (Stromness Academy)
- **Monday 22:** Christmas Holidays start

### QUARTER 4

#### JANUARY

- **Monday 5:** Schools return
- **Thursday 8 - Tuesday 27:** Prelim Exams
- **Tuesday 20:** UHI Orkney Taster Session (S3 pupils at Stromness Academy and KGS)

#### FEBRUARY

- **Monday 2 - Friday 6:** Stromness Academy Careers Week
- **Tuesday 10:** Health & Wellbeing Event (KGS)
- **Monday 9 & Tuesday 10 (Stromness Academy) and Wednesday 18 & Thursday 19 (KGS):** Planning for the Future

#### MARCH

- **Monday 2-Friday 6:** Scottish Apprenticeship Week - local events TBC
- **Sunday 8:** International Women's Day