Summer Parenting Schedule

With the long summer school holidays ahead, separated parents will be trying to organise childcare arrangements around work, whilst also ensuring they each get to spend quality time with their children across the summer.

We've put together a summer parenting schedule to help the summer holidays flow more smoothly so that you and your children can get on with enjoying your time together.

Use this document as the basis for your conversation with your expartner and the arrangements you make. Remember every family is different and there are no right or wrong answers.

Each section is intended to be a guide to help you think about the big and small stuff, keep it brief or make it detailed, whatever is going to work best for you.

If you find things difficult and need some extra help, then you can book an appointment to talk with one of our family mediators.







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Child Arrangements

Use this section to record how your child will spend time with each of you during the holidays. Remember to include other family members that may be able to help with childcare, any sports days, assemblies, holiday dates and any birthday parties, clubs that the children might have. You can also include details such as how and where handovers will happen, or if you need to share or exchange clothes or personal items for your child, then you can also record it here (eg. school uniform, sports gear etc.)

July

Week Beginning	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1st July							
Things to remember							
8th July							
Things to remember							
15th July							
Things to remember							
22nd July							
Things to remember							
29th July							
Things to remember							

August/September

Week Beginning	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
5th Aug							
Things to remember							
12th Aug							
Things to remember							
19th Aug							
Things to remember							
26th Aug	Bank Holiday	Prepare to return to school					
Things to remember							
2nd Sept	Prepare to return to school	Prepare to return to school					
Things to remember							

Unexpected Changes

Use this section to agree what happens or who to contact if an unexpected emergency arises.

If plans need to change....

Contact details in case of emergency :

What happens if one of us is ill :

What happens if our child/children are ill :

If the plan breaks down or you can't agree :

Come and talk to us as soon as possible. We will book an initial pre-mediation meeting (MIAM) with you both separately before booking a joint mediation appointment you will attend together.

We can offer appointments in person, or online through a secure meeting portal. <u>You can book an</u> <u>appointment here</u>.

National Family Mediation

NFM is a charity that helps families resolve all the practical, legal, emotional and financial issues that arise from separation.

NFM helps families turn arguments into agreements that are long-lasting and benefit everyone in the family, especially their children.

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