

DAME ALICE OWEN'S SCHOOL

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STUDENT/PARENT CALENDAR 2017-2018

AUTUMN TERM 2017

AUGUST

Thurs 17	GCE A Level results
Thurs 24	GCSE results
Fri 25	Meetings with external candidates to the 6th form

SEPTEMBER

Fri 1	Governors' Entrance Examinations Part One – Verbal Reasoning & English
Mon 4	Staff Development Day NO STUDENTS ATTEND
	Governors' Entrance Examinations Part Two – Maths
	OSA Committee Meeting 8.00pm
Tues 5	Year 7 students arrive 8.45am (finish 2.45pm)
	Year 12 Internal Interviews
	Music Entrance Examinations – Listening Paper
Wed 6	Years 7 - 12 arrive 8.45am
Thurs 7	Year 13 arrive 8.45am
Tues 12	Visit of Master and Wardens
Thurs 14	Individual Photographs for Years 7, 9, 11 and 13 – 9.00am
Sat 16	Silver/Bronze DofE expedition (until 17 th September)
Mon 18	Year 13 Geography Field Studies trip (until 22 nd September)
Wed 20	Lower School Founder's Day Assembly
Thurs 21	Upper School Founder's Day Assembly
Thurs 21	Year 11 Physics Trip to Cambridge
Mon 25	Year 7 Residential trip to Bushcraft (Hatfield) (until 26 th September)
Mon 25	Music Entrance Auditions - EGH (until 29 th September)
Thurs 28	OSA New Parents' Wine and Cheese evening 7.30pm

OCTOBER

Mon 2	OSA Committee Meeting 8.00pm
Tues 3	Golf match DAOS V Aldenham – Potters Bar Golf Club
Tues 3	Prospective Parents' Tours 9.15am
Tues 3	Year 9 Gothic Tales visiting theatre pm *provisional tbc
Wed 4	Prospective Parents' Tours 9.15am
Thurs 5	Compulsory DofE revision session for new Gold participants – 4.00-5.00pm J6
Thurs 5	Prospective Parents' Tours 9.15am
Sat 7	Year 13 English Trip to Stratford-upon-Avon – 'Coriolanus'
Sat 7	DofE Bronze/Silver expedition (until 8 th October)

Mon 9	Year 9 English Gothic Tales EGH Period 1 & 2
Wed 11	Staff Development Day NO STUDENTS ATTEND
Thurs 12	Year 10 GCSE Introduction Evening 7.00 – 8.00pm EGH
Fri 13	jAMNESTY2017 – School Hall 4.00-6.00pm
Tues 17	Year 9 'Woman in Black' Theatre visit *provisional
Fri 20	School Ends 2.45pm

Half Term Monday 23rd - Friday 27th October 2017

Mon 23	The Harold Moore Annual Reunion Luncheon - Imperial Hotel, Russell Square, Holborn - Bar from 11.30, Lunch 1-4pm. For all Old Owenians
Tues 31	National deadline for returning the Common Application form for entry into Year 7 September 2018

NOVEMBER

Thurs 2	Oxford and Cambridge Admissions Tests
Mon 6	OSA Committee Meeting 8.00pm
Mon 6	A Level Art - Life Drawing (provisional)
Tues 7	Senior Maths Challenge – Years 12 and 13
Tues 7	Year 12 Politics visit to the Houses of Parliament
Wed 8	Year 12 Politics visit to the Houses of Parliament
Wed 8	Senior Chamber Concert – EGH 7.30pm (Rehearsals during the day in EGH)
Thurs 9	Year 10 Parents' Evening 5.00 – 8.00pm
Fri 10	Remembrance Day service 1.15pm
Sat 11	Year 12 French Exchange to Vannes (until 17 th November)
Sat 11	OSA Quiz Night
Mon 13	Psychopathology day with Dr Guy Sutton – Year 12 am Year 13 pm
Mon 13	HertsCam Network Event – School Hall – 4.30-6.30pm
Wed 15	All year Mid-Herts Schools District Cross Country - Queenswood 12.00-4.00pm all years TBC
Wed 15	Junior Chamber Concert – EGH 7.30pm (Rehearsals during the day in EGH)
Thurs 16	Year 13 Biology Lecture Day – London - All day
Thurs 16	Open Afternoon for external candidates to Sixth Form 2.00 - 5.00pm
Thurs 16	Year 11 Parents' Evening re Lower Sixth Entry - Edward Guinness Hall 7.30pm
Fri 17	Performance Platform – Singing – EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Wed 22	Maths in Action for 20 Year 12 Further Maths students, at Emmanuel Centre, London – all day
Wed 22	Orchestral Concert – Edward Guinness Hall 7.30pm (rehearsals during the day in EGH)
Thurs 23	Maths in Action for 10 year 11 students, at Emmanuel Centre, London – all day
Thurs 23	Year 11 Parents' Evening 5.00 – 8.00pm
Fri 24	Performance Platform – Woodwind – EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Fri 24	6 th Form D&T visit to Inspired by Design Conference
Mon 27	Occasional Day – NO STUDENTS ATTEND
Tues 28	Year 9 English 'A Christmas Carol' visiting theatre pm *provisional
Thurs 30	GCSE Drama Devised Performance Exam (provisional)
Thurs 30	Choral Concert – EGH 7.30pm (Rehearsals during the day in EGH)
Thurs 30	Year 12 German Exchange to Viernheim (until 12 th December)*tbc

DECEMBER

Fri 1	Year 7 French trip to Lille Christmas markets *tbc
Fri 1	Performance Platform – Strings – EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Sun 3	Winter Play Rehearsal 10.00am-4.00pm
Mon 4	Years 7-10 MFL end of term tests (until 20 th December)
Mon 4	OSA Committee Meeting 8.00pm
Tues 5	Governors' Meeting – Old Library 10.30am followed by Governors' Tea
Wed 6	Year 7-9 Let's Dance Competition P4-5 *provisional
Wed 6	Wind, Brass & Percussion Concert – EGH 7.30pm (Rehearsals during the day in EGH)
Thurs 7	A Level Art – Creative Process Day
Thurs 7	Year 13 Parents' Evening 5.00 – 8.00pm
Fri 8	Performance Platform – Piano – EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Sun 10	Winter Play Rehearsal 10.00am-4.00pm
Mon 11	ABRSM Exams – Edward Guinness Hall (until 15 th December)
Mon 11	Winter Play Technical Rehearsal
Tues 12	Winter Play Dress Rehearsal
Thurs 14	Winter Play performance – Main Hall 7:30pm
Thurs 14	Year 7/8 German trip to Cologne Christmas Market (until 16 th December) *tbc
Fri 15	Performance Platform – Brass and Percussion – EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Fri 15	Winter Play performance - Main Hall 7:30pm
Sat 16	Winter Play performance - Main Hall 7:30pm
Mon 18	EH Thompson Interview at Brewers Hall (Year 13 Bursaries)
Mon 18	Nine lessons and Carols – St. Mary's Potters Bar 7.30pm (Rehearsals during the day in the church)
Thurs 21	Closing date for internal & external applicants for entry into Year 12 September 2017
Thurs 21	End of Term - 12.35pm

SPRING TERM 2018

JANUARY

Wed 3	Staff Development Day NO STUDENTS ATTEND
Thurs 4	Term begins
Thurs 4	Year 11 & 13 Mock Examinations (until 12 th January)
Mon 8	OSA Committee Meeting 8.00pm
Mon 15	Yr 11 & Yr 13 Art Mock Exams all day
Tues 16	Year 10 GCSE Cake decorating masterclass 1.40-3.45pm
Wed 17	Brewers Court visit to school
Wed 17	Year 8/9 Internal Team Maths Competition – pm
Thurs 18	Year 13 Physics Trip to Cern (until 20 th January)
Tues 23	Year 10 GCSE Cake decorating masterclass 10.15-12.35pm
Wed 24	Holocaust Memorial Day – EGH – 12.00-4.00pm
Thurs 25	Year 12 German Exchange to Potters Bar (until 4 th February)*tbc
Thurs 25	Year 9 Parents' Evening 5.00 - 8.00pm
Wed 31	Senior Chamber Concert – EGH 7.30pm (Rehearsals during the day in EGH)

FEBRUARY

Thurs 1	Year 12 Parents' Evening 5.00 - 8.00pm
Thurs 1	Intermediate Maths Challenge – years 9-11
Sat 3	OSA Winter Event
Sat 3	Year 12 French Exchange to Potters Bar (until 9 th February)
Mon 5	OSA Committee Meeting 8.00pm
Wed 7	Junior Chamber Concert – EGH 7.30pm (Rehearsals during the day in EGH)
Thurs 8	Year 12 UCAS Information Evening – EGH
Fri 9	Art Study tour to Madrid (until 11 th February) OR Tate to Tate – all day *tbc
Fri 9	Year 13 Spanish trip to Barcelona (until 13 th February) *provisional
Fri 9	Year 9 Ski Trip (until 17 th February)
Fri 9	Year 11 German Study trip to Munich (until 14 th February) *provisional
Fri 9	Deadline for Year 9 options
Fri 9	School ends 2.45pm

Half Term Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February 2018

Wed 21	Soul Band Evening – Main Hall 7.30pm
Thurs 22	Year 7 Parents' Evening 5.00 - 8.00pm
Fri 23	Performance Platform – Piano – EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Sat	Gym and Dance Technical Rehearsal – Main Hall 10.00-4.00pm
Mon 26	Gym and Dance Display Dress Rehearsal to primary schools – Main Hall 1.00 - 4.00pm.
Tues 27	Information Evening for Year 9 Spanish Exchange – EGH 6.00pm
Tues 27	Gym and Dance Display – Main Hall 7.30pm
Wed 28	Gym and Dance Display – Main Hall 7.30pm

MARCH

Thurs 1	National Offer Day for entry into year 7 September 2018
Thurs 1	Year 7,11,13 Group photos 9.00am
Thurs 1	Piano Concert – EGH 7.30pm (Rehearsals during the day in EGH)
Fri 2	Performance Platform – Strings – EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Mon 5	Year 12 Geography Assessment Trip (until 9 th March)
Mon 5	Old Owenians Careers Talks Week (in conjunction with National Careers Week) Mon-Thurs lunchtimes for students 12.35-1.30pm (until 8 th March)
Mon 5	OSA AGM 8.00pm
Tues 6	Brewers lecture at school (6 th Form)
Tues 6	EPQ Presentation Evening 7.00pm in Main Hall
Wed 7	Year 7 Theatre Trip
Wed 7	Senior Ensembles Concert – EGH – 7.30pm
Thurs 8	Staff Development Day NO STUDENTS ATTEND
Thurs 8	Year 9 Spanish Exchange to Potters Bar (until 14 th March)
Fri 9	Performance Platform – Singing – EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Sat 10	OSA Quiz Night
Mon 12	ABRSM Exams – EGH (until 16 th March)
Mon 12	Years 7-10 MFL end of term tests (until 28 th March)
Tues 13	Year 9 French Exchange to Potters Bar (until Monday 19 th March) *provisional

Wed 14	Mid Somerset Choral Festival
Thurs 15	Year 8 Parents' Evening 5.00 - 8.00pm
Friday 16	A Level Drama exam performance pm (rehearsals during the day in H4)
Fri 16	Performance Platform – Woodwind – EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Tues 20	GCSE Drama exam performance pm (rehearsals during the day in H4)
Wed 21	Choral Concert – EGH- 7.30pm (rehearsals during the day in EGH)
Thurs 22	A Level Art - Life Drawing (provisional)
Fri 23	Performance Platform – Brass and Percussion - EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Sun 25	Gold DofE Practice Expedition to Wales (until 28 th March)(Year 12) *provisional
Tues 27	Governors' Meeting – Old Library 10.00am
Tues 27	Concerto Concert – EGH 7.30pm (Rehearsals during the day in the EGH)
Thurs 29	End of Term 12.35pm

SUMMER TERM 2018

APRIL

Mon 16	Term begins
Mon 16	Year 9 Assessments – English & Science (until 18 th April)
Mon 16	Year 11-13 Final MFL Oral exams (until 12th May)
Tues 17	Year 7 History Trip to Rochester
Thurs 19	Year 7 History Trip to Rochester
Thurs 19	Year 12 Oxbridge Evening
Tues 24	Reception for Schools at Brewers Hall
Tues 24	Year 10 Art visit to Pitt Rivers museum
Wed 25	Years 11-13 Senior District Athletics championships Gosling stadium - 4pm-6pm
Thurs 26	A Level Drama Devised Performance Exam
Thurs 26	Junior Maths Challenge Years 7 and 8

MAY

Tues 1	Year 9 Internal Maths (until 2 nd May)
Wed 2	GCSE Art Exam – 10hrs (until 3rd May)
Mon 7	Bank Holiday
Tues 8	A Level Art Exam (until 10 th May)
Wed 9	Year 11 Exam leave commences
Fri 11	Year 13 Exam leave commences
Fri 11	Year 10 Morrisby Test am *provisional
Mon 14	GCE and GCSE Summer Exam period begins (until 27 th June)
Mon 14	OSA Committee Meeting 8.00pm
Thurs 17	Year 9 Spanish Exchange to Valladolid (until 23 rd May) *provisional
Thurs 17	Year 9 German Exchange to Germany (until 24 th May) *provisional
Fri 18	GCSE Art Exhibition in the Gym (until 25 th May)
Fri 18	Year 10 Bronze/Silver DofE expedition (until 20 th May)
Sat 19	Alumni Tour and coffee morning
	Year 7 Geography Trip to Cambridge *tbc (x 2 dates this week)
Wed 23	Junior Concert Edward Guinness Hall 7.30pm (rehearsals during the day in EGH)
Thurs 24	Open evening 5.00 -7.00pm for GCSE Art Exam Exhibition in the Gym

Thurs 24	Year 10 D&T GCSE visit to Design Museum Coca Cola factory*provisional
Fri 25	School Ends 2.45pm

Half Term Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June 2018

JUNE

Mon 4	Year 7 & 8 Assessments (until 15 th June)
Mon 4	Years 7-9 MFL end of year tests (until 15 th June)
Mon 4	OSA Committee Meeting 8.00pm
Thurs 7	Year 10 Textiles mock exam (5 hours)
Fri 8	Year 9 History trip to Ypres (until 10 th June) *provisional
Fri 8	A level Art exhibition in the School Hall (until 15 th June)
Sat 9	Yrs 7-11 County Schools Athletics Championships – Hemel Hempstead (all day)
Sun 10	The Potters Bar Carnival DAOS GCSE Art Exhibition
Wed 13	Year 12 Biology Fieldtrip to Wales (until 15 th June)
Thurs 14	Year 9 French Exchange to St Omer (until 20 th June) *provisional
Thurs 14	A Level Art Exhibition Open Evening in School Hall 5.00-7.00pm
Fri 15	Year 10 DofE Bronze/Silver expedition (until 17 th June)
Fri 15	Performance Platform – Strings – EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Mon 18	ABRSM Exams – Edward Guinness Hall (until 22 nd June)
Wed 20	Chamber Concert Edward Guinness Hall 7.30pm (rehearsals during the day in the EGH)
Thurs 21	Year 7 & 8 Poetry Reading competition (am) *provisional
Fri 22	Year 12 Art Trip to Kew Gardens
Fri 22	Performance Platform – Piano - EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Mon 25	Year 10 Exams (until 4 th July)
Mon 25	Governors' Meeting at Brewers Hall – 10.00am
Tues 26	Lower school Bake-off Competition P1/2/3
Tues 26	New Parents' Evening - Edward Guinness Hall 6.30 – 9.00pm
Wed 27	6 th Form Induction Day for all students (until 28 th June)
Wed 27	Celebration of Sport Evening – All years
Wed 27	GCE and GCSE Summer Exam period ends
Wed 27	New Year 7 CAT tests pm *provisional
Thurs 28	Lower school Art trip (Gallery tbc)
Thurs 28	Year 12 Internal exams (until 6 th July)
Fri 29	Years 7-10 District Athletics Championships – Gosling Athletic Stadium 8.30am – 5.30pm *TBC
Fri 29	Performance Platform – Woodwind – EGH – 4.00-5.00pm

JULY

Sun 1	Rehearsal Summer Play
Mon 2	Year 11 Work experience (until 6 th July)
Mon 2	OSA Committee Meeting 8.00pm
Mon 2	Year 7-10 County League Athletics Finals (3.30pm start at Hemel Hempstead)(until 3 rd July)
Wed 4	Year 9 Newspaper Day * provisional
Fri 6	Year 12 D&T visit to New Designers /Design Museum
Fri 6	Performance Platform – Brass & Percussion – EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Sat 7	OSA Summer Event

Sat 7	Gold DofE Assessment Expedition to Lake District (until 11 th July)(Year 12)
Sun 8	Rehearsals Summer Play – Main Hall
Mon 9	Year 12 Further and Independent Study Day
Mon 9	Technical Rehearsals Summer Play
Tues 10	Dress Rehearsal Summer Play
Tues 10	Senior Orchestral Concert – EGH 7.30pm (rehearsals during day in EGH)
Wed 11	Sports Day
Wed 11	Summer Play – Performance – School Hall -7.00pm
Thurs 12	Year 7 Enterprise Day - School Hall – all day
Thurs 12	Wind, Brass & Percussion Concert – EGH 7.30pm (rehearsals during day in EGH)
Fri 13	Reserve Sports Day
Fri 13	Summer Play - Performance – School Hall -7.00pm
Fri 13	Year 12 History trip to Berlin (until 16 th July)
Fri 13	Performance Platform – Singing – EGH – 4.00-5.00pm
Fri 13	Year 12 Geography trip to Snowdonia (until 15 th July)
Sat 14	Summer Play – Performance – School Hall – 7.00pm
Mon 16	Year 7 Trip to Brewers Hall
Tues 17	Year 12 Psychology visit to the Zoo *provisional
Tues 17	Year 8 Learning for Life Game
Wed 18	Lower School Visitation
Thurs 19	Open Day 2.00 - 5.00pm (school closed am, optional student attendance from 2.00pm)
	Visitation and Upper School Prize Giving
Fri 20	Distribution of Beer Money
Fri 20	End of Term 11.45am
Fri 20	RS trip to Costa Rica (dates tbc)
Mon 23	Staff Development Day – NO STUDENTS ATTEND

AUGUST

Thurs 16	GCE A Level results
Thurs 23	GCSE results
Fri 24	Meetings with external candidates to the 6th form

AUTUMN TERM BEGINS: Monday 3rd September 2018*

HALF-TERM: Monday 29th October –Friday 2nd November 2018

TERM ENDS: Friday 21st December 2018*

* These dates are subject to change and should only be used as a guideline

Governors may approve inset days at the start of term later in the school year for staff training. The first day students attend in September is for Year 7 only.

As dates to the calendar are approved up to a year in advance, there may be some necessary date changes to certain events. This will be communicated as soon as possible to all relevant parties, however, complete accuracy cannot be guaranteed for all events. Please check the school website for updates. Science Society Lectures will be confirmed in the Monthly Newsletter.