



**THOMAS MILLS HIGH SCHOOL**

**FRAMLINGHAM**

***CALENDAR 2017 – 2018***

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**September 2017 – July 2018**

1. All dates in this Calendar are provisional, although they would not be changed unless absolutely necessary. Other dates – for events which cannot be arranged far in advance – will be announced from time to time.
2. A form requesting leave of absence in exceptional circumstances during term time may be obtained from the school office and returned to the Attendance Officer. The Department for Education has made clear that it is not expected family holidays will take place in term time.

**SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS**

During the winter months if there is any doubt about the likelihood of the school being open due to severe weather conditions (usually heavy snow) parents should listen to local radio stations – Radio Suffolk (103.9 / 104.6 FM), Radio Norfolk (95.1 / 95.6 FM), Heart FM (97.1 / 102.4 FM) and The Beach (103.4 / 97.4 FM) – which will give official advice. Information will also be available on the school website [www.thomasmills.suffolk.sch.uk](http://www.thomasmills.suffolk.sch.uk) .

The normal point of contact for parents is with the Form Tutor or Head of Year. Subject enquiries should be addressed to Heads of Department.

Useful telephone numbers: TMHS Main line- 01728 723493  
Attendance line - 01728 726677

## SEPTEMBER

Fri	1	
Sat	2	
Sun	3	
Mon	4	Staff Professional Day
Tues	5	Term begins for pupils LVI Induction Course UVI Study Leave
Wed	6	LVI Induction Course UVI Return & Induction Course
Thurs	7	Rendsburg Exchange Parents' Evening 5.30 pm
Fri	8	
Sat	9	
Sun	10	
Mon	11	Week of House Meeting Three week period for Departmental Meetings begins Borneo Expedition Presentation Evening Mills Charity Meeting
Tues	12	NQT and New Teachers Meeting (1) Friends of TMHS Committee Meeting 6.15 pm
Wed	13	Rendsburg Exchange leaves
Thurs	14	LVI Parents' Evening
Fri	15	
Sat	16	
Sun	17	
Mon	18	Week of Years 11 and 13 Geography Winterton Sand Dunes trip Pastoral Meeting Friends of TMHS AGM
Tues	19	Quality Assurance Team Meeting Year 7 Church and Town visit (1)
Wed	20	Year 13 Biology Conference trip Years 10 and 11 Theatre trip to see 'Blood Brothers' in Norwich Rendsburg Exchange returns
Thurs	21	
Fri	22	
Sat	23	
Sun	24	
Mon	25	Primary Partners Liaison Meeting for Year 7 tutors 4.15 pm
Tues	26	European Day of Languages NQT Training Meeting (2)
Wed	27	Open Day and Evening
Thurs	28	Van Cols School Photographer
Fri	29	House Assembly Year 7 Church and Town visit (2) Safety Committee Meeting
Sat	30	

### Deadlines and Special Dates

Sep/Oct Performance Management meetings to take place

## OCTOBER

Sun	1	
Mon	2	Governors' Finance and Premises Committee Meeting 8.00 am House Assembly Year 11, LVI and UVI Progress Reports (1) begin Developmental Lesson Observations begin Staff Professional Development Meeting 4.00pm – 5.00pm
Tues	3	LVI Geography Coastal Fieldtrip Governors' Personnel & Performance Committee Meeting 9.30 am Year 7 Case Conference (1)
Wed	4	LVI and UVI Art and Photography trip to London Upper School Council Meeting // Year 7 Case Conference (2)
Thurs	5	Year 7 Church and Town visit (3) Careers Fair and Year 11 Information Evening
Fri	6	
Sat	7	
Sun	8	
Mon	9	Heads of Department Meeting Mills Charity Meeting
Tues	10	Harvest Festival // Year 7 Case Conference (3)
Wed	11	Harvest Festival Lower School Council Meeting Year 7 Case Conference (4)
Thurs	12	UVI Subject Teachers' Meeting Governors' Meeting 6.00 pm
Fri	13	Year 11, LVI and UVI Progress Reports (1) issued Year 12 Performance from Suffolk Road Safety Partnership Art Fair
Sat	14	
Sun	15	
Mon	16	Book Week // Pastoral Meeting
Tues	17	Year 7 Case Conference (5)
Wed	18	Year 12 and 13 Drama trip to Mercury Theatre, Colchester VI Form School Forum Meeting Concert of English Music
Thurs	19	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme – Presentation Evening Year 7 Case Conference (6)
Fri	20	
Sat	21	<b>HALF TERM</b>
to		
Sun	29	
Mon	30	Week of rehearsals for School Production Deadline for Performance Planning and Reviews for all teachers Week of House Meeting Three week period for Departmental Meetings begins
Tues	31	Tercentenary Trust Meeting

### Deadlines and Special Dates

Year 10 – GCSE Food Preparation & Nutrition visit to Kenton Hall Farm (tbc)

Year 12 Drama and Theatre Studies – Component 1

Year 7 Health Talks

A Level PE trip to English Institute of Sport at Loughborough (tbc)

## NOVEMBER

Wed	1	Year 12 GCSE Maths/English exams begin Year 10 Progress Reports (1) begin
Thurs	2	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Fri	3	
Sat	4	
Sun	5	
Mon	6	
Tues	7	Year 7 Tutors'/Parents' Evening
Wed	8	Years 8 and 9 Progress Reports (1) begin School Production – "West Side Story"
Thurs	9	School Production – "West Side Story"
Fri	10	School Production – "West Side Story" Year 12 GCSE Maths/English exams end
Sat	11	
Sun	12	
Mon	13	VI Form Assessment Week Mills Charity Meeting
Tues	14	NQT Training Meeting (3)
Wed	15	Years 7 Progress Reports (1) begin Upper School Council Meeting
Thurs	16	Sixth Form Open Evening 1 (TMHS students)
Fri	17	Year 10 Progress Reports (1) issued
Sat	18	
Sun	19	
Mon	20	Week of LVI Geography Urban and Rural Fieldtrip Governors' Finance and Premises Committee Meeting 4.15pm
Tues	21	Governors' Personnel & Performance Committee Meeting 9.30 am
Wed	22	Lower School Council Meeting
Thurs	23	House Assembly Sixth Form Open Evening 2 (non-TMHS students)
Fri	24	Years 8 and 9 Progress Reports (1) issued Year 11 Taster Day (non-TMHS students) House Assembly SEN Department Link Meeting
Sat	25	
Sun	26	
Mon	27	
Tues	28	Year 8 Pantomime trip - The New Wolsey Theatre
Wed	29	Year 11, UVI and LVI Progress Reports (2) begin Staff Professional Development Meeting 4.00pm – 5.00pm
Thurs	30	AGM of Academy Trust (5.30pm)

### Deadlines and Special Dates

Netball & Rugby House Matches begin this month

School Ski Trip Parents' Evening

Year 10 GCSE Drama Component 1 Assessment – ongoing in lessons

## DECEMBER

Fri	1	Year 11 Art Preparatory Exam Years 7 Progress Reports (1) issued
Sat	2	
Sun	3	
Mon	4	
Tues	5	LVI Subject Teachers' Meeting
Wed	6	VI Form School Forum Meeting
Thurs	7	Awards Evening
Fri	8	
Sat	9	
Sun	10	
Mon	11	Year 10 Progress Reports (2) begin Governors' Meeting 6.00 pm Mills Charity Meeting
Tues	12	
Wed	13	School Christmas Lunch
Thurs	14	
Fri	15	Year 11, UVI and LVI Progress Reports (2) issued Rehearsals for Christmas Concert
Sat	16	
Sun	17	
Mon	18	Christmas Concert
Tues	19	Christmas Assemblies School Term ends
Wed	20	<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY</b>
Thurs	21	
Fri	22	
Sat	23	
Sun	24	
Mon	25	
Tues	26	
Wed	27	
Thurs	28	
Fri	29	
Sat	30	
Sun	31	

### Deadlines and Special Dates

Netball & Rugby House Matches continue this month  
 Associated Board Music Exams this month  
 w/b 4<sup>th</sup> Dec -Year 13 Component 1 assessment (tbc)

## JANUARY

Mon	1	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
Tues	2	
Wed	3	Staff Professional Day
Thurs	4	Term begins for pupils
Fri	5	
Sat	6	
Sun	7	
Mon	8	Thomas Mills Day Three week period for Departmental Meetings begins Heads of Department Meeting
Tues	9	Year 11 Final Preparatory Exams begin
Wed	10	
Thurs	11	UVI Parents' Evening
Fri	12	Year 10 Progress Report (2) issued SEN Department Link Meeting
Sat	13	
Sun	14	
Mon	15	Week of House Meeting Quality Assurance Team Meeting
Tues	16	
Wed	17	Upper School Council Meeting // NQT Training Meeting (4)
Thurs	18	LVI Parents' Evening
Fri	19	Year 11 Final Preparatory Exams end Safety Committee Meeting
Sat	20	
Sun	21	
Mon	22	Week of Music Competition heats Week of Year 8 Geography fieldtrip to London Governors' Finance and Premises Committee Meeting 8.00 am GCSE Music Practical Exams Pastoral Meeting
Tues	23	Governors' Personnel & Performance Committee Meeting 9.30 am GCSE Music Practical Exams Staff Professional Development Meeting 4.00pm – 5.00pm
Wed	24	GCSE Music Practical Exams // Year 9 Progress Reports (2) begin Lower School Council Meeting
Thurs	25	Year 11 English trip to Stratford upon Avon for 'A Christmas Carol'
Fri	26	House Assembly
Sat	27	
Sun	28	
Mon	29	House Assembly
Tues	30	Year 11 Art Trip to London Galleries
Wed	31	VI Form School Forum Meeting

### Deadlines and Special Dates

Year 10 GCSE Drama Component 1 Assessment (ongoing in lessons)  
Jan/Feb Year 12 Drama Component 2 Assessment (tbc)

## FEBRUARY

Thurs	1	LVI History Trip to Tower of London and Canterbury leaves Year 8 Exams begin Year 10 Parents' Evening Governors' Meeting 6.00 pm
Fri	2	
Sat	3	Michael Sims Memorial Fund Meeting LVI History Trip to Tower of London and Canterbury returns
Sun	4	
Mon	5	
Tues	6	Year 11 Preparatory Results day Middle Leaders' Programme Meeting
Wed	7	
Thurs	8	Year 8 Exams end Year 11 Sixth Form Discussions Year 7 Class Singing Competition Year 11 Review Evening Year 9 Progress Reports (2) issued
Fri	9	Year 11 Sixth Form Discussions School Ski Trip leaves
Sat	10	<b>HALF TERM</b>
Sun	11	
Mon	12	
Tues	13	
Wed	14	
Thurs	15	
Fri	16	
Sat	17	School Ski Trip returns
Sun	18	
Mon	19	Sixth Form Final Preparatory Exams begin Three week period for Departmental Meetings begins Year 8 Progress Reports (2) begin Pastoral Meeting
Tues	20	Tercentenary Trust Meeting NQT Training Meeting (5) and New Teacher Meeting Music Competition Winners' Concert
Wed	21	
Thurs	22	Year 7 Class Poetry Performance and Recital Competition Year 8 Courses Day and Options Evening
Fri	23	Sixth Form Final Preparatory Exams end
Sat	24	
Sun	25	
Mon	26	Week of House Meeting LVI Politics trip to House of Commons this week (tbc)
Tues	27	
Wed	28	

### Deadlines and Special Dates

AS and A Level Music Practicals will be held this month  
A Level History Coursework completed this month  
Feb/Mar Year 13 Drama Component 2 Assessment (tbc)



## MARCH

Thurs	1	Year 9 Parents' Evening
Fri	2	Year 8 Progress Reports (2) issued
Sat	3	
Sun	4	
Mon	5	Week of Year 10 GCSE Geography Urban Fieldtrip to Ipswich Quality Assurance Team Meeting
Tues	6	Inter-House Cross Country
Wed	7	Van Cols Leavers photographs Upper School Council Meeting Primary Tea
Thurs	8	Year 8 Parents' Evening
Fri	9	
Sat	10	
Sun	11	
Mon	12	Governors' Finance and Premises Committee Meeting 4.15 pm Year 11, LVI and UVI (3) Progress Reports begin
Tues	13	Governors' Personnel & Performance Committee Meeting 9.30 am NQT Training Meeting (6)
Wed	14	Year 7 Progress Reports (2) begin Lower School Council Meeting "Supporting Parents to Help their Children with GCSE Exams"
Thurs	15	Year 9 Art Trip to Sainsbury Centre Duke of Edinburgh Gold Snowdonia Training Expedition departs (UVI) Staff Professional Development Meeting 4.00pm – 5.00pm
Fri	16	
Sat	17	
Sun	18	<b>Duke of Edinburgh Gold Snowdonia Training Expedition returns (UVI)</b>
Mon	19	Rehearsals for Easter Concert
Tues	20	Easter Concert – St Michael's Church, Framlingham
Wed	21	VI Form School Forum Meeting
Thurs	22	
Fri	23	Charity Day House Assembly
Sat	24	
Sun	25	
Mon	26	
Tues	27	
Wed	28	
Thurs	29	Year 10 Art Preparatory Exam Year 11, LVI & UVI Progress Reports (3) issued Year 7 Progress Reports (2) issued / School term ends
Fri	30	
Sat	31	

### Deadlines and Special Dates

Hockey and Football House Matches this month

GCSE, AS and A Level Music Composition Coursework to be submitted this month

Associated Board Music Exams this month

GCSE PE Moderation

Mar/April Year 11 Drama Component 2 Assessment (tbc)

## APRIL

Sun	1	EASTER HOLIDAY
Mon	2	
Tues	3	
Wed	4	
Thurs	5	
Fri	6	
Sat	7	
Sun	8	
Mon	9	
Tues	10	
Wed	11	
Thurs	12	
Fri	13	
Sat	14	
Sun	15	
Mon	16	Staff Professional Day
Tues	17	Term begins for pupils Half term of Performance Review Lesson Observations begins Week of House Meeting
Wed	18	
Thurs	19	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Silver Practice Expedition departs Year 9 Art Exam Year 7 Parents' Evening
Fri	20	Sports Assembly SEN Departmental Link Meeting
Sat	21	
Sun	22	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Silver Practice Expedition returns
Mon	23	Year 9 Exams begin GCSE Art Exam
Tues	24	VI Form Parent/Tutor Review Meetings (Tuesday – Friday) GCSE Art Exam
Wed	25	Upper School Council Meeting
Thurs	26	AS Photography Exam
Fri	27	Year 9 Exams end AS Photography Exam
Sat	28	
Sun	29	
Mon	30	Governors' Finance and Premises Committee Meeting 8.00 am House Assembly Heads of Department Meeting

### Deadlines and Special Dates

A Level PE Moderation

Year 11 GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition Practical Exam (tbc)

## MAY

Tues	1	House Assembly Governors' Personnel & Performance Committee Meeting 9.30am Staff 'Professional Development Training' 4.00pm – 5.00pm
Wed	2	Year 10 Preparatory Exams begin Lower School Council Meeting
Thurs	3	AS Art Exam
Fri	4	AS Art Exam
Sat	5	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze Practice Expedition departs
Sun	6	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze Practice Expedition returns
Mon	7	Bank Holiday
Tues	8	NQT Training Meeting (7) and New Teachers Meeting
Wed	9	A2 Art Exam VI Form School Forum Meeting
Thurs	10	A2 Art Exam Governors' Meeting 6.00 pm
Fri	11	Year 10 Preparatory Exams end A2 Art Exam
Sat	12	
Sun	13	
Mon	14	GCSE and AS/A2 Exams begin Pastoral Meeting
Tues	15	
Wed	16	Years 7-10 Progress Reports (3) begin
Thurs	17	
Fri	18	
Sat	19	
Sun	20	
Mon	21	Two week period of Primary School visits begins LVI Progress Reports (4) begin A2 Photography Exam
Tues	22	A2 Photography Exam
Wed	23	A2 Photography Exam
Thurs	24	
Fri	25	UVI Study Leave begins and Leavers' Day
Sat	26	<b>HALF TERM</b>
Sun	27	
Mon	28	
Tues	29	
Wed	30	
Thurs	31	

### Deadlines and Special Dates

A Level PE Moderation

LVI Study leave takes place this month/June

DT Innovation Challenge Exam this month

## JUNE

Fri	1	HALF TERM
Sat	2	
Sun	3	
Mon	4	Week of timetabling Years 7-10 and LVI End of Year Reports begin
Tues	5	Tercentenary Trust Meeting
Wed	6	
Thurs	7	
Fri	8	
Sat	9	
Sun	10	
Mon	11	Week of Year 10 Food Preparatory Exams Week of Year 9 GCSE Geography Fieldtrip to Southwold Week of House Meeting LVI & UVI Progress Reports (4) issued
Tues	12	LVI Higher Education Conference
Wed	13	
Thurs	14	Senior and Middle Leaders' Programme Meeting
Fri	15	Safety Committee Meeting
Sat	16	Michael Sims Memorial Fund Meeting
Sun	17	
Mon	18	Year 7 End of Year Core Subject Tests begin Tutors' Meeting for Summer Fun Evening
Tues	19	
Wed	20	Upper School Council Meeting Higher Education Evening for Parents
Thurs	21	Primary School Curriculum Enrichment Day
Fri	22	Sixth Form Ball
Sat	23	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze Assessed Expedition departs
Sun	24	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze Assessed Expedition returns
Mon	25	Year 7 End of Year Core Subject Tests end Governors' Finance and Premises Committee Meeting 4.15 pm
Tues	26	Governors' Personnel & Performance Committee Meeting 9.30 am GCSE Exams and AS/A2 Exams end Singers' Concert, Art and DT Exhibition
Wed	27	Primary School Curriculum Enrichment Day Lower School Council Meeting
Thurs	28	Sixth Form Leadership Training/ Year 7 Multicultural Day
Fri	29	Summer Fun Evening
Sat	30	

### Deadlines and Special Dates

Year 10 GCSE Preparatory Food Preparation and Nutrition Practical Exam (tbc)  
 LVI Biology fieldwork trip this month  
 Year 10 GCSE History trip to Framlingham Castle this month  
 Year 7 History Castle Trips this month

## JULY

Sun	1	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Gold Assessed Expedition depart (UVI)
Mon	2	Week of LVI Geography Residential Fieldtrip – Peak District Work Experience Week 1 (Year 10)
Tues	3	Primary School Curriculum Enrichment Day NQT Training Meeting (8)
Wed	4	LVI Joiners' Day New Intake Evening
Thurs	5	House Assembly LVI Parents' Review Evening
Fri	6	House Assembly Careers Guidance Day Duke of Edinburgh's Award Gold Assessed Expedition return (UVI)
Sat	7	
Sun	8	
Mon	9	Careers Development Week (LVI) Work Experience Week 2 (Year 10) Activities Week (Years 7-9) Week of issue of Years 7-10 and LVI Annual Reports Music Tour to The Rhineland Duke of Edinburgh's Award Gold Practice Expedition departs (LVI)
Tues	10	
Wed	11	
Thurs	12	
Fri	13	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Gold Practice Expedition returns (LVI)
Sat	14	
Sun	15	
Mon	16	New Intake Day
Tues	17	Governors' Meeting 6.00 pm
Wed	18	Sports Day
Thurs	19	Year 10 Work Experience Review (9.00 – 11.00 am) Duke of Edinburgh's Award Silver Assessed Expedition departs
Fri	20	School term ends
Sat	21	
Sun	22	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Silver Assessed Expedition returns
Mon	23	Staff Professional Day
Tues	24	Staff Professional Day
Wed	25	SUMMER HOLIDAY
Thurs	26	
Fri	27	
Sat	28	
Sun	29	
Mon	30	
Tues	31	

### Deadlines and Special Dates- July and August

Rounders, Cricket and Tennis House Matches in July

Associated Board Music Exams in July

16<sup>th</sup> August – A Level results day

23<sup>rd</sup> August – GCSE results day

## UNIFORM

### GIRLS

- Sensible black or brown outdoor shoes, not trainers and not suede or canvas
- White or navy plain socks or black tights (in a thick knit)
- Mid-grey skirt of acceptable length (between 3.5" (approx. 8 cm) above the knee and mid-calf) and fabric (not stretch knit or corduroy) and without long slits
- OR mid-grey trousers (straight leg, creased. Not flared or stretch fabric. Clip and zip fastening. Available, as acceptable skirts, from Messrs. Coes)
- White shirt
- School tie
- Navy V-neck pullover with the school badge and motto. No other motif is acceptable
- Plain navy coat or anorak if possible (not denim)
- Optional Summer Uniform: White short-sleeved standard school shirt

### BOYS

- Sensible black or brown outdoor shoes, not trainers and not suede or canvas
- Black or grey socks
- Plain dark grey trousers, not black and not corduroy or denim
- White shirt
- School tie
- Navy V-neck pullover with the school badge motto. No other motif is acceptable
- Plain navy coat or anorak if possible (not denim)

***Acceptable fabric for skirts and trousers is a woven polyester (65%) and viscose (35%) mix***

**Jewellery:** Ear loops, hooks and large ear rings are not suitable for school. Movement around the school at times becomes congested and such articles of jewellery become a safety hazard. For this reason, students should confine themselves to one stud in each ear and other forms of jewellery are not acceptable. Other forms of body piercing are not acceptable for safety reasons.

## **FRIENDS OF THOMAS MILLS HIGH SCHOOL**

**2017 – 2018**

*All parents of current pupils, current members of staff and former pupils of the school are automatically members. Membership is also open to parents of former pupils, staff who have left the school and anyone in the community who wishes to support the school.*

The Friends organise a number of fundraising and social events during the year. The committee is always pleased to welcome new volunteers.

### **MAIN EVENTS**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017      AGM for Parents**

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018              Summer Fun Evening**

Other events, organised during the course of the year, will be publicised nearer the time.

Details of all events are sent home by letter to parents two to three weeks beforehand.

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**SCHOOL TERM DATES  
(Provisional)**

**2018 – 2019**

**AUTUMN TERM**

Wednesday 5 September to Wednesday 19 December 2018

**Half Term** : Monday 22 October – Friday 26 October 2018

(Staff Professional Day : Wednesday 5 September)

**SPRING TERM**

Wednesday 2 January – Friday 5 April 2019

**Half Term** : Monday 18 – Friday 22 February 2019

(Staff Professional Day : Wednesday 2 January)

**SUMMER TERM**

Tuesday 23 April – Wednesday 24 July 2019

**Half Term** : Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May 2019

(Staff Professional Day : Tuesday 23 April)

In addition, there will be within these dates two further non-pupil days to be announced.