



**THOMAS MILLS HIGH SCHOOL**

**FRAMLINGHAM**

***CALENDAR 2016 – 2017***

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CALENDAR**

**September 2016 – July 2017**

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

Thurs	1	Staff Professional Day
Fri	2	Term begins for pupils LVI Induction Course // UVI Study Leave
Sat	3	
Sun	4	
Mon	5	LVI Induction Course UVI Return & Induction Course Week of House Meeting Friends of TMHS Committee Meeting 6.15 pm
Tues	6	Trainee and New Teachers Meeting (1)
Wed	7	Rendsburg Exchange Parents' Evening 5.30 pm
Thurs	8	LVI Parents' Evening
Fri	9	
Sat	10	
Sun	11	
Mon	12	Three week period for Departmental Meetings begins
Tues	13	
Wed	14	Rendsburg Exchange leaves
Thurs	15	Year 7 Church and Town visit (1)
Fri	16	"Chelsea's Choice" – Performance for Year 9 Safety Committee Meeting
Sat	17	
Sun	18	
Mon	19	Pastoral Meeting Friends of TMHS AGM // Mills Charity Meeting
Tues	20	Trainee Teachers Meeting (2)
Wed	21	Rendsburg Exchange returns
Thurs	22	House Assembly Year 9 Meningitis ACWY & DtP immunisations Year 7 Church and Town visit (2) Governors' Meeting 6.00 pm
Fri	23	House Assembly // Year 7 Church and Town visit (3)
Sat	24	
Sun	25	
Mon	26	Week of LVI Geography Coastal Fieldtrip European Day of Languages Primary Partners Liaison Meeting for Year 7 tutors 4.15 pm
Tues	27	Quality Assurance Team Meeting Governors' Land and Buildings Meeting 5.00 pm LVI and UVI Art and Photography trip to London
Wed	28	Open Day and Evening
Thurs	29	Van Cols School Photographer
Fri	30	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Silver Practice Expedition Departs

### **Deadlines and Special Dates**

Sep/Oct – Year 11 GCSE Drama Controlled Assessment Practical Unit 1

Sep/Oct – Year 13 Drama and Theatre Studies Unit 3 Controlled Assessment Practical (ongoing in lessons)

## OCTOBER

Sat	1	
Sun	2	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Silver Practice Expedition Returns
Mon	3	Year 11, LVI and UVI Progress Reports (1) begin Governors' Finance Committee Meeting 8.00 am Heads of Department Meeting
Tues	4	Harvest Festival Governors' Personnel & Performance Committee Meeting 9.30 am Year 7 Case Conference (1)
Wed	5	Harvest Festival Upper School Council Meeting Careers Fair and Year 11 Information Evening
Thurs	6	Year 7 Case Conference (2)
Fri	7	
Sat	8	
Sun	9	
Mon	10	Three weeks of Quality Assurance Lesson Observations begin Week of Year 10 Food Technology trip to Kenton Hall Farm
Tues	11	French Exchange visitors from Mareuil-le-Port arrive Year 7 Case Conference (3)
Wed	12	Lower School Council Meeting Year 7 Case Conference (4)
Thurs	13	UVI Subject Teachers' Meeting Governors' Meeting 6.00 pm
Fri	14	Year 11, LVI and UVI Progress Reports (1) issued Year 12 Performance from Suffolk Road Safety Partnership
Sat	15	
Sun	16	
Mon	17	Book Week Year 7 Case Conference (5)
Tues	18	Primary School Curriculum Enrichment Day French Exchange visitors from Mareuil-le-Port depart
Wed	19	VI Form School Forum Meeting Shakespeare Evening
Thurs	20	Year 7 Case Conference (6) Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme – Presentation Evening
Fri	21	Staff Professional Day
Sat	22	HALF TERM
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Sun	30	
Mon	31	Deadline for Performance Planning and Reviews for all teachers Week of rehearsals for School Production Week of House Meeting Three week period for Departmental Meetings begins SEN Department Link Meeting Pastoral Meeting

### Deadlines and Special Dates

Year 12 Drama and Theatre Studies – Component 1

Year 7 Health Talks

## NOVEMBER

Tues	1	GCSE Maths/English exams begin Tercentenary Trust Meeting
Wed	2	
Thurs	3	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Fri	4	
Sat	5	
Sun	6	
Mon	7	Year 10 Progress Reports (1) begin
Tues	8	Year 7 Tutors'/Parents' Evening
Wed	9	School Production – "The Sound of Music"
Thurs	10	GCSE Maths/English exams end School Production – "The Sound of Music"
Fri	11	School Production – "The Sound of Music"
Sat	12	
Sun	13	
Mon	14	VI Form Assessment Week Years 7, 8 and 9 Progress Reports (1) begin
Tues	15	Trainee Teachers Meeting (3)
Wed	16	Upper School Council Meeting
Thurs	17	Sixth Form Open Evening 1 (TMHS students)
Fri	18	Year 10 Progress Reports (1) issued Auction of Promises for 'Borneo'
Sat	19	Trip to England v Fiji Rugby International at Twickenham
Sun	20	
Mon	21	Week of LVI Geography Urban and Rural Fieldtrip Governors' Finance Committee Meeting 8.00 am Mills Charity Meeting
Tues	22	Governors' Personnel & Performance Committee Meeting 9.30 am Quality Assurance Team Meeting
Wed	23	Years 12 and 13 Religious Studies Conference in London Lower School Council Meeting
Thurs	24	House Assembly Sixth Form Open Evening 2 (non-TMHS students)
Fri	25	House Assembly
Sat	26	
Sun	27	
Mon	28	UVI and LVI Progress Reports (2) begin Years 7, 8 and 9 Progress Reports (1) issued
Tues	29	Year 8 Pantomime trip - 'Sinbad' at The New Wolsey Theatre
Wed	30	VI Form School Forum Meeting

### Deadlines and Special Dates

Netball & Football House Matches begin this month

School Ski Trip Parents' Evening

Year 10 GCSE Drama Component 1 Assessment – Ongoing in lessons

Nov/Dec Year 11 GCSE Drama Controlled Assessment Write Up Unit 1

## DECEMBER

Thurs	1	LVI Subject Teachers' Meeting AGM of Academy Trust (5.30pm) followed by Governors' Meeting
Fri	2	
Sat	3	
Sun	4	
Mon	5	Year 11 Progress Reports (2) begin
Tues	6	Year 11 Textiles Group Trip – "Clothes Show Live" Teaching and Learning Group Meeting (1)
Wed	7	
Thurs	8	Awards Evening
Fri	9	
Sat	10	
Sun	11	
Mon	12	Year 10 Progress Reports (2) begin
Tues	13	School Christmas Lunch
Wed	14	
Thurs	15	
Fri	16	UVI and LVI Progress Reports (2) issued Rehearsals for Christmas Concert
Sat	17	
Sun	18	
Mon	19	Christmas Concert
Tues	20	Christmas Assemblies School Term ends
Wed	21	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
Thurs	22	
Fri	23	
Sat	24	
Sun	25	
Mon	26	
Tues	27	
Wed	28	
Thurs	29	
Fri	30	
Sat	31	

### Deadlines and Special Dates

Netball & Football House Matches continue this month

Associated Board Music Exams this month

W/b 5<sup>th</sup> Dec - Year 13 Drama and Theatre Studies Unit 3 Performance (tbc)

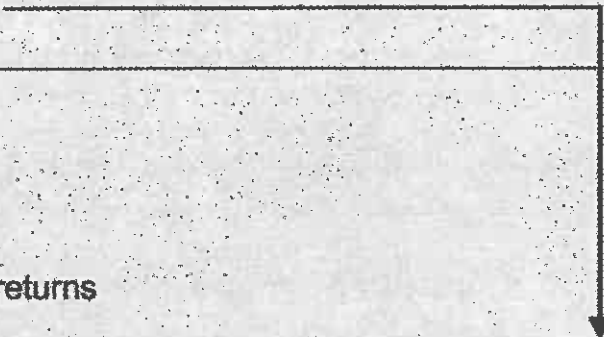
## JANUARY

Sun	1	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
Mon	2	
Tues	3	
Wed	4	Staff Professional Day
Thurs	5	Term begins for pupils
Fri	6	Thomas Mills Day Year 11 Progress Report (2) issued
Sat	7	
Sun	8	
Mon	9	Year 11 Final Preparatory Exams begin Three week period for Departmental Meetings begins Heads of Department Meeting
Tues	10	
Wed	11	
Thurs	12	UVI Parents' Evening
Fri	13	Year 10 Progress Report (2) issued SEN Department Link Meeting
Sat	14	
Sun	15	
Mon	16	Week of House Meeting Year 11 Final Preparatory Art Exam
Tues	17	Governors' Land and Buildings Meeting 5.00 pm Quality Assurance Team Meeting
Wed	18	Year 11 Taster Day (non-TMHS students) Upper School Council Meeting // Trainee Teachers Meeting (4)
Thurs	19	LVI Parents' Evening
Fri	20	Safety Committee Meeting
Sat	21	
Sun	22	
Mon	23	Week of Music Competition heats Governors' Finance Committee Meeting 8.00 am GCSE Music Practical Exams Pastoral Meeting
Tues	24	GCSE Music Practical Exams Year 8 Geography fieldtrip to London Governors' Personnel & Performance Committee Meeting 9.30 am
Wed	25	GCSE Music Practical Exams // Lower School Council Meeting
Thurs	26	Year 10 Parents' Evening
Fri	27	
Sat	28	
Sun	29	
Mon	30	Three weeks of Quality Assurance Lesson Observations begin Year 9 Progress Reports (2) begin Year 11 Art Trip to London Galleries
Tues	31	Year 11 Review Evening

### **Deadlines and Special Dates**

Year 10 GCSE Drama Component 1 Assessment (ongoing in lessons)  
 Year 13 Drama and Theatre Studies Unit 3 SWED completion  
 Jan/Feb Year 12 Drama Component 2

## FEBRUARY

Wed	1	VI Form School Forum Meeting Senior Leaders' Programme Meeting
Thurs	2	LVI History Trip to Tower of London and Canterbury leaves House Assembly Governors' Meeting 6.00 pm
Fri	3	House Assembly
Sat	4	LVI History Trip to Tower of London and Canterbury returns Michael Sims Memorial Fund Meeting
Sun	5	
Mon	6	Year 11 Sixth Form Discussions Year 8 Progress Reports (2) begin Year 10 Preparatory Exams begin
Tues	7	Year 11 Sixth Form Discussions Teaching and Learning Group Meeting (2)
Wed	8	Year 11 Sixth Form Discussions Middle Leaders' Programme Meeting
Thurs	9	Year 9 Progress Reports (2) issued Year 10 Preparatory Art Exam Year 7 Class Singing Competition
Fri	10	Staff Professional Day // School Ski Trip leaves
Sat	11	
Sun	12	
Mon	13	
Tues	14	
Wed	15	
Thurs	16	
Fri	17	
Sat	18	School Ski Trip returns
Sun	19	
Mon	20	Sixth Form Final Preparatory Exams begin Week of House Meeting Three week period for Departmental Meetings begins Pastoral Meeting
Tues	21	Tercentenary Trust Meeting Trainee Teachers Meeting (5) Music Competition Winners' Concert
Wed	22	
Thurs	23	Year 8 Courses Day and Options Evening Year 7 Class Poetry Performance and Recital Competition
Fri	24	Year 8 Progress Reports (2) issued Sixth Form Final Preparatory Exams end
Sat	25	
Sun	26	
Mon	27	LVI Politics trip to House of Commons this week (tbc) Year 7 Mid Point Tests
Tues	28	Year 7 Mid Point Tests

### Deadlines and Special Dates

AS and A2 Music Practicals will be held this month  
History GCSE Controlled Assessment planning



## MARCH

Wed	1	Year 7 Mid Point Tests
Thurs	2	Year 9 Parents' Evening
Fri	3	
Sat	4	
Sun	5	
Mon	6	Week of Year 10 GCSE Geography Urban Fieldtrip to Ipswich
Tues	7	Inter-House Cross Country Quality Assurance Team Meeting
Wed	8	Van Cols Leavers photographs Upper School Council Meeting
Thurs	9	Primary Tea Year 8 Parents' Evening
Fri	10	
Sat	11	
Sun	12	
Mon	13	Year 11, LVI and UVI (3) Progress Reports begin Governors' Finance Committee Meeting 8.00 am
Tues	14	Governors' Personnel & Performance Committee Meeting 9.30 am Year 9 Art Trip to Sainsbury Centre Trainee Teachers Meeting (6)
Wed	15	Lower School Council Meeting "Supporting Parents to Help their Children with GCSE Exams"
Thurs	16	French Exchange Trip leaves
Fri	17	
Sat	18	
Sun	19	
Mon	20	Year 7 Progress Reports (2) begin
Tues	21	
Wed	22	VI Form School Forum Meeting
Thurs	23	French Exchange Trip returns
Fri	24	Charity Day
Sat	25	
Sun	26	
Mon	27	Rehearsals for Easter Concert
Tues	28	Easter Concert – St Michael's Church, Framlingham
Wed	29	
Thurs	30	GCSE PE Practicals
Fri	31	Year 7 Progress Reports (2) issued Year 11, LVI & UVI Progress Reports (3) issued GCSE PE Practicals School term ends

### Deadlines and Special Dates

Hockey and Rugby House Matches this month

GCSE, AS and A2 Music Composition Coursework to be submitted this month

Associated Board Music Exams this month

History GCSE Controlled Assignment write-up

## APRIL

Sat	1	EASTER HOLIDAY
Sun	2	
Mon	3	
Tues	4	
Wed	5	
Thurs	6	
Fri	7	Borneo Practice Trip leaves
Sat	8	
Sun	9	Borneo Practice Trip returns
Mon	10	
Tues	11	
Wed	12	
Thurs	13	
Fri	14	
Sat	15	
Sun	16	
Mon	17	
Tues	18	Staff Professional Day Year 11 GCSE Business Trip to Thorpe Park
Wed	19	Term begins for pupils Three week period for Performance Review Lesson Observations begins GCSE PE Practicals
Thurs	20	Year 7 Parents' Evening
Fri	21	Sports Assembly SEN Departmental Link Meeting
Sat	22	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze Practice Expedition departs (a)
Sun	23	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze Practice Expedition returns (a)
Mon	24	Year 9 Exams GCSE Art Exam
Tues	25	VI Form Parent/Tutor Review Meetings (Tuesday – Friday) Year 9 Exams GCSE Art Exam AS Photography Exam
Wed	26	Year 9 Exams AS Photography Exam Upper School Council Meeting
Thurs	27	House Assembly
Fri	28	House Assembly
Sat	29	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze Practice Expedition departs (b)
Sun	30	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze Practice Expedition returns (b)

### Deadlines and Special Dates

A Level History Coursework completed this month  
A Level PE Moderation

## MAY

Mon	1	Bank Holiday
Tues	2	Governors' Finance Committee Meeting 8.00 am Governors' Personnel & Performance Committee Meeting 10.00am DT Innovation Challenge Exam Year 8 Exams
Wed	3	Year 8 Exams Year 10 Meningitis ACWY & DtP immunisations Lower School Council Meeting
Thurs	4	Year 8 Exams
Fri	5	
Sat	6	
Sun	7	
Mon	8	AS Art Exam Heads of Department Meeting
Tues	9	AS Art Exam Trainee Teachers Meeting (7) Governors' Land and Building Meeting 5.00 pm
Wed	10	A2 Art Exam VI Form School Forum Meeting
Thurs	11	A2 Art Exam Governors' Meeting 6.00 pm
Fri	12	A2 Art Exam
Sat	13	School Challenge
Sun	14	
Mon	15	GCSE and AS/A2 Exams begin Years 7-10 Progress Reports (3) begin LVI Progress Reports (4) begin Pastoral Meeting
Tues	16	Teaching and Learning Group Meeting (3)
Wed	17	
Thurs	18	
Fri	19	
Sat	20	
Sun	21	
Mon	22	Two week period of Primary School visits begins A2 Photography Exam
Tues	23	A2 Photography Exam
Wed	24	A2 Photography Exam
Thurs	25	
Fri	26	UVI Study Leave begins and Leavers' Day
Sat	27	HALF TERM
Sun	28	
Mon	29	
Tues	30	
Wed	31	

### Deadlines and Special Dates

W/b 8<sup>th</sup> May - Year 11 GCSE Drama Final Performance Exam Unit 3 (tbc)  
 A Level PE Moderation  
 LVI Study leave takes place this month/June  
 Year 7 History Castle Trips this month

## JUNE

Thurs	1	HALF TERM
Fri	2	
Sat	3	
Sun	4	
Mon	5	Week of timetabling Years 7-10 and LVI End of Year Reports begin
Tues	6	Tercentenary Trust Meeting
Wed	7	
Thurs	8	
Fri	9	LVI & UVI Progress Reports (4) issued
Sat	10	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze Assessed Expedition (a)
Sun	11	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze Assessed Expedition (a)
Mon	12	Week of Year 9 GCSE Geography Fieldtrip to Southwold Week of House Meeting
Tues	13	
Wed	14	LVI Higher Education Conference Higher Education Evening for Parents
Thurs	15	Senior and Middle Leaders' Programme Meeting
Fri	16	Safety Committee Meeting
Sat	17	Michael Sims Memorial Fund Meeting
Sun	18	
Mon	19	Tutors' Meeting for Summer Fun Evening
Tues	20	
Wed	21	Upper School Council Meeting
Thurs	22	
Fri	23	Sixth Form Ball
Sat	24	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze Assessed Expedition (b)
Sun	25	Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze Assessed Expedition (b)
Mon	26	Governors' Finance Committee Meeting 8.00 am
Tues	27	Governors' Personnel & Performance Committee Meeting 9.30 am Singers' Concert and Art Exhibition
Wed	28	Year 7 Multicultural Day Lower School Council Meeting
Thurs	29	Sixth Form Leadership Training Primary School Curriculum Enrichment Day Duke of Edinburgh's Award Silver Assessed Expedition departs GCSE Exams and AS/A2 Exams end
Fri	30	Summer Fun Evening

### Deadlines and Special Dates

LVI Biology fieldwork trip this month

Year 10 GCSE History trip to Framlingham Castle this month

## JULY

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

### Deadlines and Special Dates- July and August

Rounders, Cricket and Tennis House Matches in July

Associated Board Music Exams in July

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

24<sup>th</sup> August – GCSE results day

21<sup>st</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> August - Duke of Edinburgh's Award Gold Assessed Expedition

## 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**

**2016 – 2017**

*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 19<sup>th</sup> September 2016      AGM for Parents**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017                  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)**

**2017 – 2018**

**AUTUMN TERM**

Monday 4 September to Tuesday 19 December 2017

**Half Term** : Monday 23 October – Friday 27 October 2017

(Staff Professional Day : Monday 4 September)

**SPRING TERM**

Wednesday 3 January – Thursday 29 March 2018

**Half Term** : Monday 12 – Friday 16 February 2018

(Staff Professional Day : Wednesday 3 January)

**SUMMER TERM**

Monday 16 April – Tuesday 24 July 2018

**Half Term** : Monday 28 May – Friday 1 June 2018

(Staff Professional Day : Monday 16 April)

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