



**Oriental College**  
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

MCR Freshers' Week 2025



# Freshers' Week

October 5th - 12th 2025

0th Week	Sunday (05/10)	Monday (06/10)	Tuesday (07/10)	Wednesday (08/10)	Thursday (9/10)	Friday (10/10)	Saturday (11/10)	Sunday (12/10)
Morning		10:30 – 11:30 MCR Breakfast (coffee and pastries) (MCR) 11:30-12:30 Oriel Tour (OPTIONAL: 12:30-1:30 Lunch in hall)	11:00 – 11:45 Meet The Provost (MCR)	<b>9:30 – 11:00</b> <b><u>Welcome to Oriel</u></b> <b><u>Meeting (HLT)</u></b>  <b>11:00 – 12:00</b> <b>Oriel Freshers' Fair</b> <b>(Hall)</b>	10:00 – 11:00 University Freshers' Fair (Examination Schools)		<b>11:30</b> <b><u>College Admissions</u></b> <b><u>Ceremony</u></b> <b><u>(Third Quad)</u></b>	
Afternoon	16:00-18:00 Welcome back for returning students (MCR)	14:00 – 15:30 Tour of Oxford (Meet in the Lodge)	12.30 – 13:00 Disability Information Lunch (HSR)  13:45– 16:00 Tour of the Oxford University Museum of Natural History  (Meet in the Lodge)	<b>14:45</b> <b><u>Welfare/Medical</u></b> <b><u>Induction and Consent</u></b> <b><u>Workshop (HLT)</u></b>		13:30 Chapel Coffee (Staircase 3.3)	13:15 Private Tour of The Oxford Union (Meet in the Lodge)  15:00 – 20:00 Scavenger Hunt (Meet in the MCR)	18:00 Choral Evensong (Chapel)
Evening	19:30 Welcome to Oriel Cocktails & Canapés (Hall)  MCR Bar Open	18:00 – 20:30 College Parents' Dinner  21:00 – 22:30 "The Big Oriel Quiz" (MCR)	~ Evening Reserved for University Departments  ~	16:00 Boat Club Showcase (Meet outside Lodge to walk over to Boathouse)	16:00 – 17:00 Hot Chocolate Tasting (MCR)  20:30 – 22:00 Cheese & Wine Party (MCR)	21:00 MCR Bar Open	19:30 – 21:30 Formal Dinner  MCR Bar Open  21:30 2 <sup>nd</sup> Desserts & MCR General Assembly (MCR)	

Items in bold are compulsory activities. Locations and timings may change; MCR Committee members will send regular updates by email.

**Location Key:** MCR = Middle Common Room; HLT = Harris Lecture Theatre; HSR = Harris Seminar Room; JMH = James Mellon Hall

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October, 7.15pm:** Graduate Freshers' Dinner, Dining Hall

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October:** Matriculation, followed by Freshers' Photo

**IT Drop-In Sessions:** Tuesday 7th from 9am-12pm and Thursday 9th from 1pm to 4pm, both in the HSR.

# Early Arrivals

September 24th - October 4th 2025

Sunday (21/09)	Monday (22/09)	Tuesday (23/09)	Wednesday (24/09)	Thursday (25/09)	Friday (26/09)	Saturday (27/09)
			16:00 – 17:00 Afternoon Tea (MCR)			
Sunday (28/09)	Monday (29/09)	Tuesday (30/09)	Wednesday (01/10)	Thursday (02/10)	Friday (03/10)	Saturday (04/10)
20:30 MCR Bar open	12:00 – 17:00 Meet your MCR (coffee and biscuits) (MCR)	19:00 International Students' Dinner (Meet at the Lodge)	16:00 – 17:00 Afternoon Tea (MCR)	21:00 Cinema Night (Location TBC)	20:30 MCR Bar open (MCR)	