

St John's College Freshers' Week Timetable 2025

Schedule for JCR Members 4/10/25 – 11/10/25

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Saturday 4th October

Time Activity Location

All day International arrivals Porters' Lodge

Collect your room key from the Porters' Lodge

16:00 - 21:30 Information session & dinner for internationals St Giles' House

An information session + Q&A for international

Students followed by a dinner

Sunday 5th October

Time	Activity	Location
10:00 - 16:00	Arrivals: collect the key to your college room* Our student helpers will be available to help with luggage and to show you to your room	Hall
15:00 - 16:00	Meet the Team! Come to the marquee to pick up a snack or to hang out once you're unpacked from 15:00. We'll run a Q+A session at 15:30	Marquee (in Thomas White Quad)
19:00 - 20:30	Welcome Dinner College provides a complimentary (non-formal) dinner in hall	Hall
20:30 - 22:00 (after dinner)	Pub Quiz Enjoy drinks (including non-alcoholic ones), win prizes, and socialise with your year! Team up with friends and unleash your inner quiz maestro.	Marquee

Monday 6th October

Time	Activity	Location
8:00 - 9:00	Free Breakfast! College provides a complimentary breakfast in hall	Hall
9:30 - 9:45	Welcome to St John's College* The President, Professor Dame Sue Black, will welcome you to the College and provide an introduction to our community	Garden Quad Auditorium
9:45 - 11:00	An introduction to academic life* The Senior Tutor, Dr Matthew Nicholls, will lead a discussion about ways to approach your academic work so that you are able to flourish	Garden Quad Auditorium

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11:00 - 11:15	An introduction to the College Library Library staff will give you information about the Library and the support they can offer.	Garden Quad Auditorium
11:30 - 13:00 OR 15:30 - 16:30	Registration* Your opportunity to register as a member of the University and collect your University Card! You need it for your student loan. (International students keep an eye out for an email from the Academic Office on how to provide us with a copy of your passport and BRP.)	Marquee TW Quad
11:30 - 13:00	College department drop-in session Meet staff working in various parts of the College to hear about what they do and ask any questions you may have.	Marquee, TW Quad
11:15 - 11:30	An introduction to support available for students with disabilities Elaine Eastgate (College Disability Coordinator) will provide an overview of what adjustments and study support are available for disabled students and how to access them. Will include a Q+A session. You will also have an opportunity to request a personal meeting.	Garden Quad Auditorium
14:00 - 15:00	Welfare and an introduction to self-care as a student* An introduction from the Head of Student Wellbeing, Ms Hanne Clark, and members of the College Welfare Team. Followed by refreshments in the GQ Reception Room	Garden Quad Auditorium
15:00 - 15:15	Introduction to Harassment Officers* The Fellow for Equality will introduce the Harassment Officers and the College's Harassment Policy	Garden Quad Auditorium
15:15 - 15:30	A break for refreshments	Garden Quad Reception Room
15:30 - 16:30	Another opportunity to register if you weren't able to do so earlier in the day (see above)*	Marquee, TW Quad
17:30 - 19:00	Pizza Night! Enjoy some free pizza and drinks after a long day!	Marquee, TW Quad
00:00 - 03:00	Club Night – Varsity Club Our student helpers will take you to the Varsity Club from college. You'll have the chance to buy tickets from our Entz Officers on the night – keep an eye out on Whatsapp!	Varsity CLub

Tuesday 7th October

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10:30 - 10:45	Managing your finances Mr Gary Chappell of the Accounts Team will provide advice and helpful tips on managing your finances to make sure your incoming funding can cover your outgoings	Garden Quad Auditorium
10:45 - 11:00	An introduction to the University Careers Service The College's link advisor at the University Careers Service, Mr Callum Buchanan, will provide an overview of the Careers Service and what support it can provide you with throughout your studies	Garden Quad Auditorium
11:00 - 11:15	Break for Refreshments Please make sure to go promptly to your next session.	Garden Quad Foyer
Various sessions, 12:00- 17:00	Challenging racial bias and racism* Interactive workshop on living in St John's diverse community. See below to check which session you are booked to attend.	Garden Quad Reception Room
Various, pm	Academic Meetings* Tutors may arrange academic meetings. These take priority over social events.	Various
15:00 - 17:00	Ice Cream Van We've arranged for an Ice Cream van in North Quad for free ice cream!	North Quad
20:00 - 23:00	Pub Crawl (towards Glam) Come and find the best pubs that Oxford has to offer.	Meet in College Bar
20:00 - 22:00	Games Night Get stuck in with an assortment of different board/Xbox/Wii games.	TV Room
00:00 - 03:00	Club Night – Glam Student helpers will be available to accompany you to Glam from college or the pub crawl. As with the Varsity Club - keep an eye out on WhatsApp for tickets!	Glam

Wednesday 8th October

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10:45 - 12:00	Appropriate behaviours and consent workshop* An introduction to aspects of consent with Ms Clark.	Kendrew Events Room

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14:00 - 14:45	Health & Safety* A presentation on health and safety in College, including important information about Fire safety, followed by a Q+A session	Garden Quad Auditorium
Various, pm	Bodleian Library Introductions Webinar sessions on Teams. See below for timings	Online
Various, pm	Academic Meetings* Tutors may arrange academic meetings. These take priority over social events	Various
17:00	Q+A session with the College Doctor at 19 Beaumont Street Surgery An opportunity to ask any questions you may have for the College Medical Practice	Online - <u>Join here</u>
20:00 - 22:00	Cheesextravaganza Cheese, crackers, board games - what isn't there to love?	Marquee
00:00 - 03:00	Club Night - Bullingdon Helpers will be on hand to help you there and back	Bullingdon

Thursday 9th October

Time	Activity	Location
9:30 - 11:00	An Introduction to support available for students with disabilities An informal drop-in session with the College's Disability Coordinator, Mrs Elaine Eastgate	21 St Giles
Various, all day	Bodleian Library Introductions Webinar sessions on Teams. See below for timings	Online
11:00 - 12:00	Oxford Student Union Freshers' Fair	Examination Schools
Various, pm	Academic Meetings* Tutors may arrange academic meetings. These take priority over social events	Various
18:30 - 20:00	Welcome Dinner* A more formal (but friendly) welcome to College, hosted by the President and your subject tutors. All students are expected to attend. Invitations will be circulated in early September.	Reception in Canterbury Quad, dinner in Hall at 19:15

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20:30 (or after dinner)	Cocktail Bake-Off Compete with your friends on who can make the best cocktail (or mocktail)! We will be the judges	Marquee, TW Quad
00:00 - 03:00	Club Night - Bridge The final club night of the week! As always, our helpers will be there to help you get there and back.	Bridge

Friday 10th October

Time	Activity	Location
Various, all day	Bodleian Library Introductions Webinar sessions on Teams. See below for timings. Join here.	Online
Various, pm	Academic Meetings and Departmental/Faculty Events* Tutors may arrange academic meetings and departmental/faculty events may take place. These take priority over JCR & other events	Various
10:00 - 12:00	St John's Freshers' Fair Get familiar with all the societies & sports on offer at John's! From Rowing and Fiber Arts to Quadball.	Marquee
15:00 - 17:00	College Family Mixer Get to know your college parents in this big mixer!	Marquee
20:00 - 22:30	Karaoke! Friday night karaoke is a big deal at John's; be sure not to miss this regular fixture, and bring your best belters.	Marquee

Saturday 11th October

Time	Event	Location
13:00 - 16:00	Sports Day St John's sports clubs are running taster sessions – a great chance to try out some new sports with no commitment or talent needed.	The Fortress
18:00 - 20:00	Bop Prep Prepare an outfit for your first bop (of many) later on this evening - the theme is Disco Denim.	Marquee

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22:00 - 01:00 Bop! Kendrew Events

Disco Denim themed bop! Free cocktails will be available as Room

well as a breakout room.

20:00 – 23:00 Movie Night! DVD room

Chill in the DVD room with your friends and enjoy a movie.

Tuesday 7th October: Challenging racial bias and racism

Please attend at the time allocated to your subject:

12:00 - 13:00

Asian and Middle Eastern Studies

Biochemistry

Biology

Biomedical Sciences

CAAH Chemistry Classics

Classics and Modern Languages

Classics and Asian + Middle Eastern Studies

EMEL Fine art

14:00 - 15:00

Archaeology & Anthropology

Engineering English

English and Modern Languages

Experimental Psychology

PPL

Human Sciences

Geography

15:00 - 16:00

History

History (Ancient & Modern)

History & Economics

History & Modern Languages

History & Politics History of Art

Law (including Law with Law studies in Europe

Medicine

Modern Languages

16:00 - 17:00

Mathematics

Maths & Computer Science

Music

Philosophy & Theology

Theology & Religion

Physics PPE

Bodleian Library induction sessions

The induction is taking place as a 30-minute webinar via Microsoft Teams. Join with this link.

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If you have any questions at all, please email/WhatsApp/DM us! x

SJC love,

- Joe, Ruth & Jerome (JCR Freshers' Week Chairs) xxx