



**D'OVERBROECK'S
OXFORD**

A NORD ANGLIA EDUCATION SCHOOL

Welcome to St Aldate's

2026-2027

WELCOME TO ST ALDATE'S

Hello, I'm Hayley, and I am the Head of House at St Aldate's. I joined d'Overbroeck's in August 2023, and it has been a truly rewarding experience. I am incredibly proud of the warm, friendly and supportive community we have built together at St Aldate's.

My main role is to ensure that every student in my care is safe, healthy, happy, and making the most of their time at d'Overbroeck's. Whether you need support, advice, or simply someone to talk to, we are here to help you thrive both personally and academically.

The St Aldate's team includes Millie, Celyn, Louis, and Maria. Together, we work hard to create a house environment that is welcoming, comfortable and inclusive, helping every student feel at home from the moment they arrive.

One of the many benefits of living at St Aldate's is our fantastic city-centre location. Oxford's cafés, libraries, museums and shops are all within easy reach, and you can enjoy relaxing walks along the river or through the beautiful Christ Church Meadows.

We are all looking forward to meeting you, helping you settle into life at St Aldate's, and supporting you throughout your time at d'Overbroeck's. We hope St Aldate's quickly becomes your home away from home.

We can't wait to welcome you!

Hayley

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Emergencies

In an emergency, you should call the boarding house telephone or mobile number. If you can't make contact on either of these numbers and you have an emergency situation out of school hours and you need to speak to a senior member of staff, you can call the **boarding emergency number - 07990 076248**.

Daily routine

We take the responsibility of looking after our boarders very seriously and your safety is always our primary concern. This is why daily routines and making sure we know that you are safe is really important.

Lessons at d'Overbroeck's start at 8.35am. Students are expected to get themselves up in the mornings with plenty of time to arrive punctually. Students at St Aldate's are given bus passes so they can get to and from school using the public bus.

Monday – Friday mornings

Students are expected to leave the boarding house no later than 8am. Students should therefore register in the boarding house between 7.30 - 8am and then make their way to school.

The only exceptions to the above are any Year 13 students who do not have a period 1 lesson. In this instance Year 13s must be in school by the start of period 2 and must have registered and left the house by no later than 9.15am.

Please be aware that if you are late for registration, you will incur sanctions.

To allow for cleaning and daily maintenance work, we ask that once you have left the house in the morning, you do not return before 12pm.

If you want to return to the House after 12pm, you are welcome to do so. Please remember to sign in on arrival and sign out again when you leave.

Monday – Friday meals

All served in the dining hall at 333:

Breakfast 8am - 8.30am

Dinner 5.15pm - 5.45pm

Study sessions

Another house registration is held in the boarding house between 6.45-7pm, Monday – Thursday. Study sessions take place after evening registration Monday – Thursday in student bedrooms or communal areas with permission with staff. All students are expected to attend study sessions. There is no study session on Friday.

You must have authorisation to miss a study session, and this should be for a legitimate reason (such as a school activity or club).

The House staff will carry out random room checks every night during this time to ensure that you are studying effectively.

House meetings

We hold regular House meetings to share important information, discuss upcoming events, and celebrate birthdays. House meetings usually take place twice each week at 7pm, and the days on which they are held will be communicated to students at the start of term. These meetings will normally take place on the same days each week, and attendance is expected unless alternative arrangements have been agreed with House staff.

Friday evening registration

Students must register with house staff on a Friday between 5-7pm. We must see you face to face.

House duties

There is a list of house duties to do each evening (Monday – Sunday). You will take turns to do the duties on a rota basis and they are completed just before bedtime. If you are on house duties, you need to start them at 9.45pm when the common rooms and kitchens close for the day. More information is available in the Sixth Form Boarding Handbook.

Curfew

Quiet time in the House is between 7pm and 9pm from Monday to Thursday to support students who wish to continue studying after the compulsory study session ends at 8.30pm. During this time, students are expected to keep noise to a minimum and be mindful of others who are working. If you would like some fresh air or a short walk after study time, you may sign out between 8.30pm and 9.15pm.

All students must be signed back into the House by 9.15pm from Sunday to Thursday. On Fridays and Saturdays, curfew is slightly extended and students must be signed back into the House by 10pm. However, if you have been away on a day trip or an overnight stay, you must return and sign back into the House by 9pm, unless alternative arrangements have been agreed with House staff. Year 13 students are permitted an extended curfew on Friday and Saturday evenings and may return to the House by 10.30pm. On their return, they must sign in immediately and go straight to their rooms.

You must be in your own room by 10pm from Sunday to Thursday and by 10.30pm on Fridays and Saturdays. House staff will carry out registration at these times to ensure that everyone is safely in the House and to say goodnight.

Key curfew and registration times

Monday to Thursday

- Quiet time: **7pm - 9pm**
- Compulsory study: **7pm - 8.30pm**
- Optional extended study: **8.30pm - 9pm**
- Sign out: **8.30pm - 9.15pm**

Curfew (back in House)

- **Sunday to Thursday:** 9.15pm
- **Friday and Saturday:** Year 12, 10pm and Year 13, 10.30pm
- **Returning from a day trip or overnight stay:** 9pm (unless otherwise agreed with House staff)

Registration and in-room times

- **Sunday to Thursday:** In your room by 10pm for registration
- **Friday and Saturday:** In your room by 10.30pm for registration
- **Year 13 students returning at 10.30pm on Friday and Saturday:** Must sign in immediately and go straight to their rooms

House staff will complete registration at these times to ensure all students are safely in the House and to wish everyone goodnight.

Saturday and Sunday morning registration is between 11am – 1pm.

If you have an early morning commitment such as an appointment prior to morning registration, arrangements must be agreed in advance with House staff, and you must sign out with a member of staff in person before leaving the boarding house. Students can leave the house from 8am at the weekends with prior approval, and must return to the house to register in person by 1pm. We must see you face to face.

Weekend meals

All served in the dining hall at 333:

Brunch – 11.00am - 11.30am

Dinner – 5.15pm - 5.45pm

You can sign in and out of the house on the weekends as you please.

Saturday and Sunday evening registration is between 5pm – 7pm. We must see you face to face.

Please be aware that if you are late for any registrations, you will incur sanctions

For your safety you must sign out every time you leave the house and sign in again on your return. You will be given the house duty telephone number - please make sure you have this with you at all times in case of any emergencies.

General information

Arriving at St Aldate's

Unfortunately, due to the city centre location there is no parking at the house. There is space for one car to pull in and to unload luggage only. There are local public car parks at Westgate shopping centre and Oxpens car park next to Oxford ice rink. Students must not bring a car to Oxford whilst they are staying in one of our boarding houses.

Door access and Salto cards

A key card system is used in the House giving access rights tailored to each student. Students will be given a key or card which accesses their boarding house, their bedroom, and school, so it is very important that you do not leave it behind or lose it. These should never be lent to anyone, and if lost, students should tell their Head of House as soon as possible. £10 will be charged for each replacement. Cards should be returned to the Head of House before leaving the boarding house for half terms and holidays.

Oxford and the local area

Getting to school

From **St Aldate's**, you can walk to the bus stop in **less than five minutes** and catch a bus to school. When you arrive at the house, you will be given a map of the local area to help you find your way around and become familiar with Oxford.

The following bus routes can be used to travel to school:

2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, 7, 500 and S5

Getting around

You will also be given a bus pass when you arrive at St Aldate's House. This can be used for travel to and from school, as well as for visiting places such as Summertown and other areas of Oxford during your free time.

Our central location means that many of Oxford's shops, cafés, libraries, museums and attractions are within easy walking distance, making it easy to explore the city and enjoy everything it has to offer. Whether you want to meet friends for a coffee, study in one of Oxford's libraries, or enjoy a walk along the river and through Christ Church Meadows, there is always plenty to discover nearby.

We also recommend walking – Oxford is a beautiful city, so make the most of it and get some fresh air!

There are also a number of taxi companies. We recommend **001 Taxis**, who you can contact on 01865 240000. Should you have any further questions or queries, feel free to speak to a staff member.

Safety outside the boarding house

Oxford is generally a safe and welcoming city, and its compact size makes it easy for new students to find their way around and become familiar with their surroundings. If you have a bicycle, there are dedicated cycle lanes on many of the city's busy roads to help keep cyclists safe. Always remember to wear a helmet and follow local road safety rules when cycling.

Whether you are travelling on foot, by bicycle, or by bus, it is important to be aware of your personal safety at all times. We encourage students to travel with friends whenever possible and, if you are out after dark, to stick to well-lit main roads and populated areas.

If you ever feel uncomfortable, unsafe, or worried about anything, please speak to a member of the St Aldate's team as soon as possible. Your safety and wellbeing are our highest priorities. If you have any concerns while you are out, you can contact the boarding house at any time for advice and support. If something happens that worries you, please let us know immediately or report it to us as soon as you return to the house.

If at any time you feel that you are in immediate danger, please call 999 and ask for the police.

We want all students to feel comfortable talking to us. No concern is too small, and our team is always here to listen, support, and help. We encourage you to get in touch whenever you need us, whether it's for practical help, reassurance, or simply someone to talk to. Our aim is to ensure that every student feels safe, supported, and cared for throughout their time at St Aldate's.