

# GOOD SHEPHERD INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

— Carrying Forward the Legacy of Excellence —

## CALENDAR JULY 2015 – JUNE 2016



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## FIRST TERM 2015 - 2016

### JULY 2015

23rd Thursday	New Admissions - Grade VIII, Grade IX (ICSE) and Grade XI (IB) to report
24th Friday	New Admissions - Grade VI, Grade VII, Grade IX (IGCSE) and Grade XI (ISC) to report
25th Saturday	New Admissions – Grade I, Grade II, Grade III, Grade IV and Grade V to report (Fernhill Campus).  All students to report before 5.00 p.m. Late comers will be fined  <b><i>(Phone calls by parents / guardians will be permitted ONLY from 1st August 2015)</i></b>
27th Monday	Induction / Familiarization programme for IB I (Grade XI students)

### AUGUST 2015

15th Saturday	<b>INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS</b>
22nd Saturday	<b>INTER SCHOOL ATHLETIC FESTIVAL (PROVISIONAL)</b>
31st Monday	<b>1ST MONTHLY EXAMINATIONS BEGIN</b>

### SEPTEMBER 2015

14th Monday	Progress Reports and Counsellors' Reports are sent to parents (online).
17th Thursday to 19th Saturday	Good Shepherd Model United Nations (GSMUN) <b><i>(Tentative)*</i></b>

### OCTOBER 2015

15th Thursday } 16th Friday }	<b>FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS</b> Evening Indoor programme (School Auditorium) Morning Outdoor programme (Open Air Stadium)
18th Sunday } 19th Monday }	Parent-Teacher Meeting (9.30 am. to 12.30 p.m. and 2.30 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. on 18th October and 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on 19th October.

16th Friday (AN) to 19th Monday	<b>MID TERM BREAK</b> Parents are permitted to take their children from 1.00 p.m. on Friday, 16th October to 5.00 p.m. on Monday, 19th October. <b>Those reporting after 5.00 p.m. will be fined. (No escort trips will be arranged by the School)</b>
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## NOVEMBER 2015

2nd Monday	<b>1ST TRIAL EXAMINATIONS (X - ICSE AND XII - ICSE &amp; ISC )</b> <b>2ND MONTHLY EXAMINATIONS (I TO IX, X (IGCSE), XI &amp; XII (IB))</b>
7th Saturday	Last date for the tickets to be booked through Thomson Tours and Travels for the Winter Vacation.
10th Tuesday to 14th Saturday	Diwali Break <b><i>(Escort arrangements will be made only from and to Coimbatore Airport)</i></b>
16th Monday	Progress Reports sent to parents (Online)
17th Tuesday	American Mathematics Contest (AMC 8) – Grade VIII students
25th Wednesday to 30th Monday	<b>Trinity College of London (Trinity Guildhall) - Practical Examinations (Provisional)</b>
2nd / 3rd week	<b>INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE - DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD SCHEME (ADVENTURE PROGRAMME)</b>

## DECEMBER 2015

First week	<b>TERMINAL EXAMINATIONS COMMENCE</b> <b>2nd TRIAL EXAMINATIONS X and XII (ICSE, ISC)</b> <b>1st TRIAL EXAMINATIONS X and XII (IGCSE &amp; IB)</b>
13th Sunday	School closes for the winter vacation. Parents / Guardians may collect their children from 5.00 p.m. onwards on Saturday 12th December. Escorted trips from school will leave for domestic and international flight destinations on Sunday, 13th December.

## SECOND TERM 2015 - 2016

### JANUARY 2016

10th Sunday	Students of Grade X (ICSE) & Grade XII (ISC) to report by 5.00 p.m. after winter vacation. Those reporting late will be fined.
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14th Thursday	<b>3rd TRIAL EXAMINATIONS (X &amp; XII – ICSE &amp; ISC)</b>
17th Sunday	Students of Grades I to IX, Grade X (IGCSE), Grade XI & Grade XII (IB) to report by 5.00 p.m. after winter vacation. Those reporting late will be fined.
29th Friday	<b>4th TRIAL EXAMINATIONS FOR X &amp; XII (ICSE &amp; ISC)</b>
31st Sunday	Last date for informing the school on continuation in Grade XI

## FEBRUARY 2016

2nd Tuesday	AMC (10) – Grade 10 Cambridge IGCSE
8th Monday	<b>5th TRIAL EXAMINATIONS FOR X &amp; XII (ICSE &amp; ISC)</b> <b>2nd TRIAL EXAMINATIONS (IGCSE &amp; IB)</b>
10th Wednesday	ISA Online Science Test
11th Thursday & 12th Friday	ISA Main Tests 2016
20th Saturday Morning Function	<b>INVESTITURE CEREMONY</b> Parents are invited to attend the Investiture Ceremony. They may take their children out from 1.00 p.m. on Saturday, 17th February to 5.00 p.m. on Sunday, 18th February.
	<b>GRADUATION CEREMONY</b> Parents of Grade XII students are invited to attend the Graduation Ceremony at 12.00 noon on Saturday, 17th February followed by Lunch.  There will be no weekend outing for students of Grade XII (ISC) and Grade X (ICSE) owing to the Board Exams
2nd / 3rd Week	<b>ICSE / ISC BOARD EXAMINATIONS (PROVISIONAL)</b>

## MARCH 2016

7th Monday	<b>PROMOTION EXAMINATIONS FOR IX AND XI (ICSE &amp; ISC) AND 3rd MONTHLY EXAMINATIONS (I TO VIII, IX IGCSE and XI IB)</b>
21st Monday	Progress Reports and Counsellors' Reports are sent to parents (online).
3rd week	<b>3rd TRIAL EXAMINATIONS X and XII (IGCSE &amp; IB)</b> <b>ICSE / ISC BOARD EXAMINATIONS CONCLUDE (Provisional)</b>

## APRIL 2016

6th Wednesday	Inter House Symphony Competition, GSIS
7th Thursday	<b>ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET</b>

7th Thursday to 10th Sunday	<b>MID-TERM BREAK</b> Parents are permitted to take their children out from 1.00 p.m. on Thursday, 7th April to 5.00 p.m. on Sunday, 10th April. Those reporting after 5.00 p.m. will be fined. <b>(No escort trips will be arranged by the School)</b>
9th Saturday and 10th Sunday	Parent – Teacher Meeting (from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on both days)
16th Saturday	Last date for Tickets to be booked through Thomson Tours and Travels for the Summer Vacation.
16th Saturday and 17th Sunday	OSA Meet – Back 2 Roots (Old Shepherdians’ Association)
3rd week	<b>4th TRIAL EXAMINATIONS X and XII (IGCSE &amp; IB)</b> <b>CAMBRIDGE CHECKPOINT TESTS</b> <b>CAMBRIDGE PRIMARY CHECKPOINT TESTS</b>

## **MAY 2016**

May 1st week	<b>Trinity College of London (Trinity Guildhall) - Theory Examination.</b>  <b>IB BOARD EXAMINATIONS COMMENCE.</b>
May 2nd week	<b>IGCSE BOARD EXAMINATIONS COMMENCE.</b>
17th Tuesday	<b>PROMOTION EXAMINATIONS</b> for I to VIII , IX (IGCSE) & XI (IB) <b>MONTHLY EXAMINATIONS</b> for X (ICSE) & XII (ISC)
25th Wednesday	School closes for Grades I to XI (Summer Vacation). Parents and Guardians may collect their children from 5.00 p.m. onwards on 24th May. Escorted trips will leave for domestic and international flight destinations on Wednesday, 25th May.
3rd Week	<b>IB BOARD EXAMINATIONS CONCLUDE.</b>
27th Friday	<b>NASA SPACE CAMP PROGRAMME.</b>

## **June 2016**

2nd Week	<b>IGCSE EXAMINATIONS CONCLUDE (Provisional)</b>
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## **TENTATIVE DATES FOR THE SAT EXAMS**

2015:	24th January, 2nd May, 6th June
2016:	

## PLEASE NOTE :

1. Parents are requested to inform the school travel agency, M/s Thomson Tours and Travels, about the travel plan of their ward/s before 7th November, 2015 for the Winter Vacation and before 16th April, 2016 for the Summer Vacation. Escort Trips will be arranged for the Summer / Winter Vacations only. Please note that escort facility will be provided only for students whose tickets are booked through the school travel agency.
2. Parents are to note that excepting the two Mid-Term Breaks and Specified Two Weekend Outings, all other days, including Sundays are working days, when the School is in session.

## WEEKEND EXTRA-CURRICULARS

### INTER CLASS COMPETITIONS 2015 – 2016

Handwriting  
Quiz  
Art  
Elocution  
Short Story  
Essay Writing  
Recitation

COMMUNITY SERVICE  
ON WEEKENDS

### INTER HOUSE / INTER SCHOOL COMPETITIONS 2015 – 2016

Sub Juniors / Juniors / Inters / Seniors / Super Seniors - Boys & Girls

Athletics (Combined)	Elocution	Recitation
Art	Essay Writing	Shuttle Badminton
Basketball	Football	Senior Quiz
Handwriting	Short Story	Chess
Hard Court Tennis	Swimming	Cricket
Hockey	Squash	Cross Country
Inter Quiz	Table Tennis	Dance
Junior Quiz	Throwball	Debate
Music	Volleyball	Dramatics
Rifle Shooting		

N.B. Only select events for Sub Juniors & Juniors. These competitions will be coordinated / conducted by the Co-curricular and the Physical Education Department

### **Mountaineering Course (Provisional)**

August 2015	1st August to 2nd October a) Grade VIII / FM II      b) Grade VI / FM III
October 2015	20th October to 30th November a) Grade IX
January 2016	28th January to 28th February a) Grade XI - ISC / IB
March 2016	14th March to 30th April a) Grade VII / FM I      b) Grade IV / V

### **Duke of Edinburgh Award Programme / IAYP October / November / January / February (Gold, Silver, Bronze)**

NB: 1. The above schedules have been prepared taking into consideration

- a) Founder's Day Practices
- b) Inter House Competitions
- c) Inter School Sports & Games Schedule
- d) Monthly and Promotion Examinations
- e) School functions other than the Founder's Day
  - i) The Investiture Ceremony
  - ii) Graduation Ceremony
  - iii) Athletic Meet

2. This schedule is subject to change.

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The travel arrangements of all the students are managed by the agency and the parents / guardians are to inform the agency forty days before the closure of the school in winter and in summer, for the travel plans of their wards.

#### **Services Available :**

- TRAIN RESERVATION
- AIR TICKETS BOOKING
- HOTEL RESERVATION
- GLOBAL TOURS
- PACKAGE TOURS
- LOCAL SIGHT SEEING
- ADVENTURE TOURISM

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

25th July, 2015	School reopens after summer vacation
15th October, 2015	Evening Indoor Programme of Founder's Day
16th October, 2015	Morning Outdoor Programme of Founder's Day
16th October to 19th October, 2015	Mid-Term Break
8th November to 15th November, 2015	Diwali Holidays
13th December, 2015	Winter Closing
9th January, 2016	Students to report to school by 5.00 p.m. after winter vacation. Those reporting late will be fined.
20th February, 2016	Investiture and Graduation Ceremony
7th April, 2016	Annual Athletic Meet
25th May, 2016	Summer Closing
27th May, 2016	NASA SPACE PROGRAMME
23rd July, 2016	Reopening after summer vacation