

Hogwarts: A History

The game is set in 1914, under the shadow of newly declared war. Phineas Nigellus (the least popular Hogwarts Headmaster ever) is headmaster of Hogwarts, and is known to be working closely with the Ministry of Magic to aid in the War Effort. Nonetheless, classes go on as usual, and as in previous years, owls are dispatched to incoming students, both upperclassmen and new students, some of whom are hearing for the first time that they are wizards. One grim note is evident, as all upperclassmen Wizards (but not Witches) are required to submit notices to the draft board. Closer to home, there is great anticipation among the students, for a new store, "Zonko's Joke Shop" is opening in the village of Hogsmeade, and there are rumors of giant eagles sighted in Hogden Wood, newly dubbed the "Forbidden Forest..."

In this era, Hogwarts draws from preparatory schools (also feeding to Beauxbatons and Durmstrang) that take students ages 8-12, and Hogwarts itself only accepts 13-18 year old students. Many parents do not send their children to preparatory boarding schools, and so some muggle-born students will be having their first experience with magic at Hogwarts.