



# CHOSEN HILL SCHOOL

## Parent Bulletin Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022

### Learning Tip

#### Asking Questions

If you are helping your child revise, ask them high level questions so that you can check for understanding. It is often useful to create lists of questions and answers as a revision resource.

### Diary Dates for Next Term

**All Week:**  
Ramadan

**Monday 25th April:**  
First Day of Term 5

**Tuesday 26th April:**  
Mental Health Day

**Wednesday 27th April:**  
Year 11 - Elevate Education

**Friday 29th April:**  
Year 11 final BTEC Drama  
Performance

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Happy Easter!

Thank you for your resilience and support as we have worked through an extended period of staff absences. This last term is when there is a lot of emphasis put on assessing and identifying the key areas that need additional focus to support students in the coming months. This focus provides additional challenge, exacerbated by a change in legislation regarding managing life with covid and the inevitable weather-related headaches of a British winter. It has been exhausting but fulfilling with so many students becoming more confident in their own learning and in the positive relationships they are building with their peers.

Over the next couple of weeks it is important to balance the focus on academic work and reconnecting with life outside of school so that students are ready for an exciting summer term.

Have a very happy and relaxing break!

Mr Pauling  
Headteacher



## The Late Bus

If your child catches the 4.30 John Dix bus, the drop off points are as below. The bus will not be able to stop at other drop offs on request. Please can you make sure your child is aware of the drop off points if they are using the bus.

- Stop 1: Greyhound Gardens (Stop ID: glodgwmj)
- Stop 2: Elmbridge Road (Stop ID: glodgmdm)
- Stop 3: Wotton Hall Club (glodgtpd)
- Stop 4: Coney Hill Road (glodgtgd)
- Stop 5: Brome Road (glogpjmjw)
- Stop 6: Lobley Estate (glogpjda)
- Stop 7: Ermin Park (glodmagj)
- Stop 8: Shurdington



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## Lost Property

Please remember to name all of your child's uniform and equipment so that it can be easily returned if it is misplaced.

We currently have a large amount of lost property which is not named, including water bottles. If your child has misplaced anything please, remind them to check with lost property.

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## Summer Term Uniform

After Easter, students have the option of wearing of a badged school polo shirt which must be worn with a blazer. Otherwise a normal shirt (short sleeves is fine) which must be worn with the school tie and blazer.



**Chosen Hill School**

**20%**  
**EARLY BIRD  
DISCOUNT**  
**ON BADGED TROUSERS**

**1<sup>st</sup> June - 31<sup>st</sup> July**

SHOP INSTORE OR ONLINE AT  
**MONKHOUSE.COM**

## School Uniform

Please be aware that our school uniform providers are offering a 20% early bird discount on all our school badged trousers. Please shop early if you can and take advantage of the discount.

To find your local stockist or make your purchase go to:

[Monkhouse Catalog](#)



# QUIZ AND CURRY NIGHT

To be held in the Main School Hall at

Chosen Hill School

Friday 6th May 2022

Doors open at 6:30pm for a 7pm start

*Teams will be a maximum of 8 and there will be prizes for the winners and losers!*

*Tickets priced at £10 per person to include your choice of Chicken or Vegetable Curry with Rice and Poppadum*

## **P.A.T.C.H Update**

Welcome to PATCH, the parent and teacher group that supports Chosen Hill School by funding the 'extras' that help make a difference to all the students at Chosen Hill School.

## **SAVE THE DATE - Quiz and curry night – 6th May**

The last couple of years have proven difficult to hold events to raise money, but we are pleased to announce that we are back with a Quiz and Curry night on 6<sup>th</sup> May, doors open at 6.30pm for a 7pm start, finish by 10pm. Teams will be a maximum of 8 people and there will be a prizes for the winners and losers! Tickets will be available shortly on the School Gateway at a reasonably priced £10 a head and includes your choice of chicken or vegetable biryani with rice and poppadum.

We will be holding a raffle on the night and we would be very grateful for any donations for raffle prizes. Please send them in to the school reception, marked for the PATCH raffle.

If you would like to come and help on the night, but don't want to take part in the quiz, we would love to hear from you. Please email [dwr@chosen-hill.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:dwr@chosen-hill.gloucs.sch.uk).

We are raising funds to replace the laser printer in DART, which every student will use during their time at Chosen Hill School. The cost is around £7,000 and we will be holding various events through the year with the aim of funding this piece of equipment.

The Christmas raffle we held this year, raised over £1,000 and was used to buy soldering kits for DT and theatre supplies for the Drama department. Last year's Christmas raffle bought benches for the playground area.

## **Raffle Prizes**

We are, once again, collecting donations which can be used as raffle prizes for the various events that we are planning for this year. If have you have any new items that you can spare, any unwanted gifts etc. we would be grateful for any donations

## Future events

We are supporting Hucclecote Football Club with parking for their tournament on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> June and would welcome anybody who could give up a couple of hours to help us man the car parking at school. We will need volunteers from 7.30-1pm and 1pm-5.45pm on both days. Any time you could spare would be appreciated. Hucclecote are making a donation to PATCH for this event.

## The Giving Machine

Just a reminder to use the Giving Machine when you are making online purchases. Every time you use the Giving Machine to go to a shopping website and make a purchase, the school will get a contribution. So far we have raised £83.86, with no additional cost to supporters. Shops include Amazon, Argos, ebay, John Lewis, Clarks, M&S, Boots and loads more. It doesn't cost you a penny extra and you get all the same discounts and offers, you just need to go to your chosen site via the Giving Machine page. The link to the page is here for you to sign up if you haven't already.

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## Mental Health Talks - Cally Rhodes - Tuesday 26th April

Years 7-10 will be involved in mental health talks with singer/songwriter Cally Rhodes on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April. The outline for the day is in the table below.

### Lesson    Year Group Involved

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|---|---------------------------|
| 1 | Year 9 - Hill only        |
| 2 | Year 9 - Chosen only      |
| 3 | Year 8 - Chosen and Hill  |
| 4 | Year 7 - Chosen and Hill  |
| 5 | Year 10 - Chosen and Hill |
- Years 12 and 13 to attend if they are free

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## Working at Chosen Hill School - Vacancies

Vacancy	Link to Advert	Closing Date
Teacher of Mathematics	<a href="#">Eteach</a>	Tuesday 26th April 2022
Teacher of Girls' PE	<a href="#">Eteach</a>	Tuesday 26th April 2022
Cover Administrator	<a href="#">Eteach</a>	Wednesday 27th April 2022

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## Year 7 SEND Transition Survey

We are seeking to understand further the experiences of our year 7 parents regarding transition for their child with additional needs.

We would be grateful if you could complete the survey using the following link:

[Year 7 SEND Transition Survey](#)

The survey will be available until Friday 6th May.

Many thanks

Kate Stoneman - Inclusion Manager

## Intermediate Maths Challenge

The Intermediate Maths Challenge is a 25 question multiple choice test that aims to stretch and stimulate the very best young mathematicians in the country. The awards are Gold (top 6%), Silver (next 14%), and Bronze (next 20%). The top 5% or so of the entrants are invited to sit the next round called the Kangaroo, where they can achieve various grades.

Here at Chosen Hill, a number of students from year 11 partook in the challenge and Alicia McCreath achieved an excellent Gold award and then went on to take part in the Kangaroo. She received her certificates from the Head-teacher.

A question from the paper is shown here; Some students were dancing in a circle. Alex was the fifth to the left from Bobby and the eighth to the right from Bobby. How many students were in the group?

a 10 b 11 c 12 d 13 e 14



It is a special result and shows Alicia to be a Maths star of the future.

Well done Alicia!

## Well Done!

Austin Stanley in 7HW has been busy making some amazing crafts to raise money for the Ukraine Appeal. Staff and students please support an amazing cause. Thank you to Austin for doing this!



# The Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Programme

HAF will be returning this Spring for children and young people in Reception to Year 11 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

**Save the date:**

**Spring HAF**

**11th-14th April**

**What to expect?**

- » Enriching face-to-face activities
- » Delicious meals and food hampers
- » Fun activity booklets and packs
- » Tickets to local events...
- » ...and more!



**To stay up to date on all HAF news...**

Visit Gloucestershire's HAF website: [Gloucestershire.gov.uk/HAF](http://Gloucestershire.gov.uk/HAF)

**Subscribe** to our weekly newsletter that will be back from the 11th March.

You can also follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) for updates.



## The Holiday Activity and Food Programme

The Holiday Activity and Food (HAF programme, funded by the Department for Education, will be returning this Spring break between 11th-14th April for children in reception to year 11 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

The poster on the previous page lets you know of the key dates of Spring HAF as well as signposting you to the channels you can follow to stay up to date.

### Holidays Activity Programme

There has also been some additional funding secured recently so that this offer can once again be extended to all families as part of the HAP programme (Holidays Activity Programme - NOT funded by the DfE.

We encourage all HAP and HAF families to get in contact with their local offer to see what is available to them. To find out where to get more information about your local offer, you can click [here](#).

If you have any further queries, please get in touch by emailing us at [hafparentenquiries@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:hafparentenquiries@gloucestershire.gov.uk)

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## Gloucestershire's CCard Scheme

Chosen Hill School are participating in the CCard Scheme. To enable students to get a CCard, they will need an initial meeting with Ms Rose ([lr@chosen-hill.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:lr@chosen-hill.gloucs.sch.uk)), and will be able to distribute condoms once they have the CCard.



The CCard:-

Allows young people to talk about relationships and sexual health in a safe non-judgemental space with a trained adult. The discussions need to be timely and help build confidence when it comes to condom use and wider sexual health conversations.

Allows access to free condoms and information in a way that suits them. The CCard may also be a way to find other services.

Helps young people and are more likely to use a service when they feel they are not being stigmatised against, they trust the professional their information is confidential.

Is a confidential scheme for young people (unless we have concerns young person is being harmed).

More information about this scheme can be found on the [glo families directory website](#).

# *The Platinum Jubilee*

## DESIGN A BOOKMARK COMPETITION



- **House Points** for every entry
- **Prize** for best book mark design
- Hand into Mrs. Gardner or Mrs. Knight in the Library
- Make sure **name and tutor group** are on the back of the entry
- Suggested size = **17cm x 5cm**
- Competition closes on:  
**16<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

*Bookmark competition*





# EASTER HOLIDAY INSPIRATION

A WHAT'S ON GUIDE FOR FAMILIES TO FIND  
THINGS TO DO IN THE LOCAL AREA

[www.gloucesterrocks.co.uk](http://www.gloucesterrocks.co.uk)



## EASTER FUN

With Easter Holidays nearing, visit Gloucester Rocks to find things to do in the local area. Make sure you don't miss out this Easter by using the Easter button on our home page to find lots of events, activities, attractions, parks and walks. There is so much to enjoy with the Gloucester's Easter Eggsplorers, Easter Duck Trail at WWT Slimbridge Wetland Centre, Easter Eggstravaganza at Over Farm and more!

[Visit our website to find out more](http://www.gloucesterrocks.co.uk)

## CRAFTS & RECIPES

Looking for ways to keep your little ones entertained over the Easter holidays? Check out the Cheltenham Rocks Easter Crafts and Easter Recipes articles. With lots of great ideas in these articles there is so much to help you and your family get inspired this Easter!

[Click here to browse Easter Crafts](#)  
[Click here to browse Easter Recipes](#)



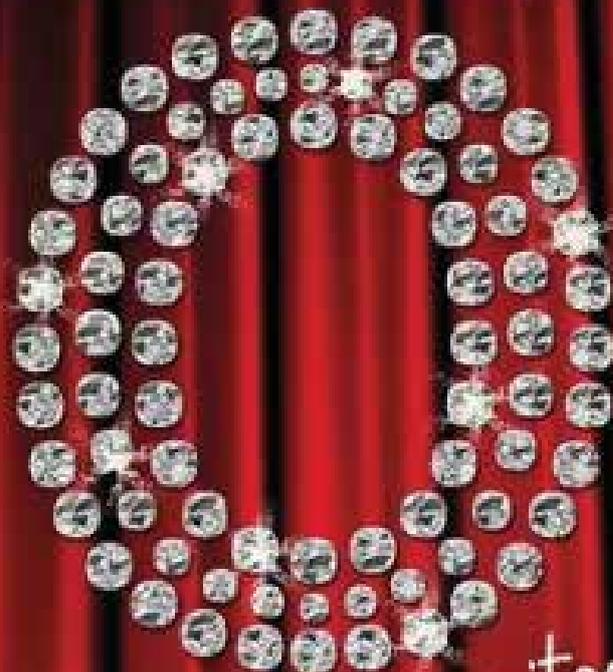
## HOLIDAY CLUBS

There are lots of great organisations that offer holiday clubs and camps in Gloucester during the school holidays. If you need to sort out childcare this Easter check out our Holiday Clubs in Gloucester Guide to see some of the best.

[Click here to browse our Holiday Clubs guide](#)

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*A Year of favourites!*

**20<sup>TH</sup>-23<sup>RD</sup> APRIL 2022**

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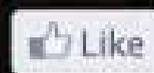
SHOW STARTS AT 7:15PM, WITH A MATINEE PERFORMANCE ON SATURDAY AT 2:15PM

TICKET PRICES: CONCESSIONS £9 / ADULTS £11.50



[www.glosgangshow.co.uk](http://www.glosgangshow.co.uk)

CHARITY NUMBER: 302111





U12 Footballers played some good football in the District 9 a side tournament at Tewkesbury this week.

Well done!



### Latest News

Follow us on Social Media to get the latest sporting news as it happens.

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Instagram, chosenhillpe