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CHOSEN HILL SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM

Parent Bulletin

Friday 2nd December 2022



Diary Dates for Next Week

Monday 5th December 2022:

Year 8 Christmas Science Lectures at Bacon Theatre, Dean Close School (minibus departing at 09:00 and returning for 13:20)

Wednesday 7th December 2022:

Dance Show!

Friday 9th December 2022:

Sixth Form Social Sciences visit to Gloucester Crown Court (09:20 to 12:30)

Although it has been a shorter week for students, with the INSET day on Friday, it has been a busy one. We have had House Assemblies this week in which we have launched a number of exciting new competitions as well as inducting some inspirational and influential people, selected by students, that represent the values of each houses.

Our Y11 have had Mock interviews over the last couple of days. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to stretch their comfort zones and meet employers. The students have had amazing feedback and really benefitted from this experience. I am really grateful for the employers that volunteered to support the school and to Mrs Selwyn for organising the event.

At the INSET day today, our staff will be spending some time reflecting on the routines and principles applied in lessons to give even greater consistency in how we best support the progress of our students. I appreciate that INSET days can be disruptive to parents and students but they are an essential part of us continuing to develop teaching and learning for all.

Over the coming weeks we will be sharing some improvements we will be making to support attendance and punctuality. We know that students make most progress when they are in school and on time. If you have any queries, questions, information or concerns please contact your child's learning mentor in the first instance.

Thank you for your continued support

Mr Pauling
Headteacher

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www.chosenhillschool.co.uk

Learning Tip:

Combining words and visuals helps learning

Learning Scientists have found that drawing visuals alongside information can make it memorable. This practice is known as 'dual coding' can help students revising for a test or can support research notes. Visuals could be timelines, cartoons, diagrams or icons.

Working at Chosen Hill School - Vacancies

Vacancy

Reprographics Administrator
Lead Learning Assistant

Link to Advert

[Eteach](#)
[Eteach](#)

Closing Date

4th December 2022
11th December 2022

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Please be aware the school email for the safeguarding team is:

safeguarding@chosen-hill.gloucs.sch.uk

TERM DATES:

Term dates, including INSET days, can be found on the School Website in 'Parents and Students', using the Quick Links menu at the top of the page and in the 'Useful Links' at the bottom of the page.



End of Term Reminder

School will finish at 12:50 on Friday 16th December 2022.

Buses will leave the school at 1pm.



Year 7 We are Awesome Christmas Fair

The Year 7 We are Awesome Christmas Fair will be taking place on Monday 5th December 2022 during Learning Mentor time and Period One.

Students will be setting up during Learning Mentor time and Year 8 will attend in rotation during Period One.



4pm Club Timetable

	Silent Revision	After School
Monday	USH	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• L16 Geography• DS1 Drama/Performing Arts• M38 Maths – Foundation• L20 French
Tuesday	USH	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• LM3 History• P1 Creative iMedia• P3 Computing Science• SC20 Science – Invite Only
Wednesday	USH	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• U3 English – Securing Grade 4+• U9 – Securing Grade 6+• M37 Maths – Higher• M39 Maths – Foundation
Thursday	USH	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sc10 Chemistry – Higher• M20 Science – All Classes• LM4 History• G23 Business Studies• G15 Health & Social Care• D1 Art, Photography, Graphics• D4 3D Design
Friday		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• L2 PE – Theory• Sports Hall Practical Badminton

House News!

We are excited to announce a brand new house event, House Renew! This fashion show will require students to design, make and model their own clothing and accessories. All materials will be upcycled to encourage sustainability and raise awareness of the damaging 'fast fashion' business. While the actual fashion show is still a while off (14th March 2023), we need to start preparations and gather materials.

If you have any unwanted or damaged items of clothing/accessories that are listed below, please have a student drop these off on Tuesdays or Wednesdays in P4, deadline is 14th December.

Only the following items please:

- Ties
- Hats
- Gloves
- Jackets
- Coats
- Jewellery
- Ball gowns

We are looking for student fashion designers, makers and models. This is a fantastic opportunity for all students, especially those that are looking for a career in fashion, art or design. For those that want to get involved, they must attend a lunchtime club on Wednesdays, starting 7th December.

Stay tuned for further updates in the coming months! This year's theme, Jungle!



CHOSEN HILL SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM

**We would like to invite you
to our**

Sixth Form Open Evening

**Thursday 5th January 2023
from 6:00pm - 8:00pm**

**Scan the QR code below to
access our
PROSPECTUS**



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Student Leadership at Chosen Hill School



Head Student Team



CARNE House Captains



MASEFIELD House Captains



SCOTT House Captains



WHITTLE House Captains



P.A.T.C.H. Christmas Hampers

We are running the Christmas raffle again this year which has been very successful in previous years, raising over £2500 for benches in the playground and funds towards a new laser cutter in DART. The prizes will be hampers of goodies.

If you would like to make a donation of something to go in the hampers, we would be very grateful, but we appreciate that it may be more difficult to support the raffle in that way this year. If you would like to give something, such as toiletries, wine, toys or Christmas food, please can you bring it to school labelled clearly for the PATCH hampers so that it does not get confused with other donations.

If you would like to purchase tickets for the hampers they will be available from the school Gateway from Friday 2nd December until Wednesday 14th December. Tickets cost £1 each and all the proceeds go to PATCH to buy 'extras' for the students of Chosen Hill. The draw will take place on Thursday 15th December in school.

These are the hampers from previous years.





Gloucestershire Bundles
A Helping Hand for Local Families and Children

Supporting our Local Community at Christmas

Gloucestershire Bundles is a charity providing emergency packs of toiletries, clothing and equipment to pregnant women or families with children up to the age of 16, who find themselves in crisis situations.

More information about the charity can be found on their [website](#).

If you would like to refer a family who you feel is struggling use this [link](#).

We have been collecting donations since 2020 and will be doing so again this year.

There are two ways to help:

Donate through the school

- Any items from the list would be greatly appreciated.
- Donations should be handed to your child's Learning Mentor, English Teacher or Mrs Caddy (U1)
- The deadline for donates is 9th December 2022 (during Learning Mentor time - Registration)
- During the afternoon of 9th December 2022 we will deliver the donations
- A prize will be given to the Learning Mentor Group, in each year, that contributes the most
- House points will also be awarded to see which house across all years donates the most



Gloucestershire Bundles Christmas Appeal 2022

Can you help us support families living
in Gloucestershire this Christmas

This year we will be collecting

- * New Toys and Books 0-16years
- * New pants 18mths-16years
- * New pyjamas 0-16years

If you would like to make a difference please
contact us

gloucestershirebundles@yahoo.co.uk

Message us on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter

Tel 07769 355219

Charity Number 1172833



Trinity Arts Gold Award, An Evening of Dance

Emily and Maddie are both in year 12 and are taking part in the trinity of arts gold award which involves developing leadership skills and taking part in creative projects, in which they will have a main role.

They are currently completing Unit 2, which involves a leadership project. To cover the necessary criteria they are assisting the PE Department with the organisation of the Chosen Hill School Dance Show: 'An Evening of Dance' which is taking place on December 7th at 7pm.

We are extremely proud of the younger years who are getting involved and displaying their creative side while keeping to the theme of Hollywood movies.

Entry to the show is free, however, we do graciously ask for a donation, which will be donated to the Trussell Trust which helps vulnerable people and provides them with much needed resources such as food and clean water.

We are looking forward to the show and we hope you are too!

A horizontal filmstrip graphic containing four movie posters: Skyfall, Encanto, High School Musical, and La La Land.

**A Night at
Chosen Hill...
Moments from the movies,
Hollywood and the red carpet**

Wednesday
7th December
2022
Main School Hall

A collection of movie-related icons including a camera on a tripod, a film reel, a film strip, a popcorn bucket, and movie tickets.

the trussell trust
Shop UK. Help us.

The Trussell Trust logo, featuring a green leaf and the text "the trussell trust Shop UK. Help us."



World Challenge 2024: Expedition to eSwatin

Applications are open for our expedition of eSwatini and the Kruger. [Apply here.](#)

This trip is open to students in Y9 to Y12.

Click here for a video with all of the information you need to know about the trip, and a video from a parent showing how her children raised their own money.

We are fortunate to have already made a start to our group fundraising!



A recording of the World Challenge information meeting can be found [here.](#)

A recording of a parent of twins who raised their own trip money can be found [here.](#)

DofE Award Celebration Evening - Save the Date!



For those participants who have completed their DofE Award since April 2022 or will complete it before March 2023, we will be holding a DofE Award celebration Evening on Thursday 27th April 2023, in the MSH.

Formal invites to parents/carers and up to 2 additional guest per participant will be sent out during March 2023.

We look forward to celebrating your child's achievement with you on the evening.





THE AIM OF THE COURSE IS TO GIVE YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE WHAT LIFE IN THE ROYAL MARINES BAND SERVICE IS REALLY LIKE.

YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPERIENCE PLAYING WITHIN A ROYAL MARINES BAND, ATTEND A PHYSICAL TRAINING SESSION AND RECEIVE PRESENTATIONS ON CAREER OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN THE RMBS AND OTHER TOPICS OF INTEREST. TO GAIN THE MOST OUT OF THIS COURSE, PLAYERS SHOULD BE AROUND GRADE 5 STANDARD OR ABOVE AND MUST BE IN YEAR 10 AND ABOVE.

THE COURSE LASTS FOR FOUR DAYS, DURING YOUR STAY YOU WILL BE ACCOMMODATED AT HMS SULTAN. YOU WILL TRAVEL TO AND FROM THE COURSE AT MOD EXPENSE, AND WILL BE PROVIDED WITH FREE FOOD AND ACCOMMODATION FOR THE DURATION OF YOUR STAY. HOWEVER, IT IS REGRETTED THAT NO COMPENSATION CAN BE PAID FOR LOSS OF TIME FROM WORK OR OTHER EXPENSES INCURRED.

COURSE DATES

13-17 FEBRUARY 2023

29 MAY - 2 JUNE 2023

23 - 27 OCTOBER 2023

FOR MORE INFORMATION
CAREERS@ROYALMARINESBANDS.CO.UK

Sporting Fixtures

Year 8 & 9 Girls' Football

One win and one loss this week against Bournside School!



Year 7 Netball

Chosen Hill School teams 7a, b,c and d played netball against Leckhampton School this week.

Two wins and two losses.



WELL DONE GIRLS!

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Alfie Roberts on his first match for the Gloucester DPP (Developing Player Pathway).

Well done Alfie!



Sports Clubs, September to December

Please see below our sporting clubs which are available to students. Please contact your child's PE teacher for further details.

	Before School 08:00 – 08:25	Lunchtime 13:25 – 14:00	After School 15:10 – 16:15
Monday		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Year 7 Hockey	
Tuesday		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Years 10 & 11 – Boys Basketball	<ul style="list-style-type: none">All Years – Boys RugbyYear 9, 10 & 11 - Netball
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Functional Fitness – Girls Gym	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Year 8, 9, 10 & 11 – Hockey	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Girls FootballYear 7 Rugby
Thursday		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Years 7, 8 and 9 – Boys BasketballGCSE Trampolining	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Years 7 & 8 – NetballBoys Rugby
Friday		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Girls Basketball	<ul style="list-style-type: none">All Years - Badminton