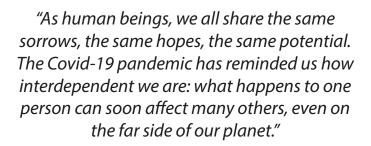


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CHOSEN HILL SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM

Parent Bulletin Friday 18th November 2022

Supporting our Local Community at Christmas



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Diary Dates for Next Term

Gloucestershire

A Helping Hand for Local Families and Children

ALL WEEK: Year 11 Mocks

Tuesday 22nd November 2022: Year 10 (Chosen) On the Mental Health Workshop

Wednesday 23rd November 2022: World Challenge Online Information Evening It was fantastic to be able to follow up last weeks incredible and moving Remembrance Day commemoration with the recognition awards for the winning door displays, poetry and art competitions. There were some amazing displays and submissions – well done to all involved!

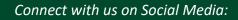
With the bridge at end of Brookfield Road now open there is a significant increase in the traffic outside the school, particularly at the end of the day. In order to support the safe departure of students I would be very grateful if parents could keep the area between the two sets of school gates clear and to avoid parking across the driveways of local residents

We are aware of a number of concerns about the number and frequency of service of Stagecoach buses. We have been in contact with the company to communicate these and the impact on safe and reliable travel to and from school. We have a meeting with representatives from the company next week.

Over this last week students have received assemblies highlighting our charity focus in the run up to Christmas for the Gloucestershire Bundles. This charity provides emergency packages of toiletries, clothing and equipment to pregnant women or families with children up to the age of 16, who find themselves in crisis situations.

In addition Year 7 will be running stalls as part of their You Are Awesome Christmas Fair early in December and we will be asking for donations for our non-uniform 'come as you like' day on the last day of term.

Mr Pauling Headteacher





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Learning Tip:

Start with the most difficult subject first

If your child has two or more pieces of homework to do in the evening, encourage them to complete the most difficult one first. It's likely this piece of work will require the most effort and concentration. Once they have completed the most difficult piece of work, it will be easier to complete the rest of the work.

Working at Chosen Hill School - Vacancies

4th December 2022 27th December2022

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Please do not use the upper or lower deltas to drop off students or to collect them. These have been designated NO TURNING/PARKING areas primarily for the safety of students. The deltas are often very congested at both the start and end of the day with staff coming to work and leaving for home. This week has seen parents/carers blocking the gates to drop off students, causing congestion on the road and endangering students safety.

We have had a number of complaints from residents regarding parents/carers blocking driveways. Once again, this week, an incident of inconsiderate parking resulted in threatening and abusive behaviour from a parent who had blocked the drive and refused to move, causing more disruption outside the school.



The Rainbow Flag, Supportive Governors and Parents Award 2022 We are really pleased to confirm that we've just received the third strand of the Rainbow Flag Award – Supportive Governors and Parents.

We received amazing feedback for our submission:

"The Supportive Governors and Parents submission is packed with information on the hard work you have been doing on this section. It is obvious that you really couldn't do anymore and it's noticeable that you have considered everyone when implementing the accreditation. Your submission is one of the best submissions I have seen on this subject. I can't fault your submission which is why at Support U we have approved your Supportive Governors and Parents Evidence submission. Great work and thank you for your continued excellence on the accreditation."

We now have 3 strands left to achieve. If you would like to know any more information about the Rainbow Flag Award please look at the link on our <u>website</u>.

4pm Club Timetable

	Silent Revision	After School	
Monday	USH	 L16 Geography DS1 Drama/Performing Arts M38 Maths – Foundation L20 French 	
Tuesday	USH	 LM3 History P1 Creative iMedia P3 Computing Science SC20 Science – Invite Only 	
Wednesday	USH	 U3 English – Securing Grade 4+ U9 – Securing Grade 6+ M37 Maths – Higher M39 Maths – Foundation 	
Thursday	USH	 Sc10 Chemistry – Higher M20 Science – All Classes LM4 History G23 Business Studies G15 Health & Social Care D1 Art, Photography, Graphics D4 3D Design 	
Friday		 L2 PE – Theory Sports Hall Practical Badminton 	



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

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



Soup Station in Canteen

Innovate Catering are providing a soup station every lunchtime after half term.

Soup and bread will cost £1.70.



Remembrance competition Winners

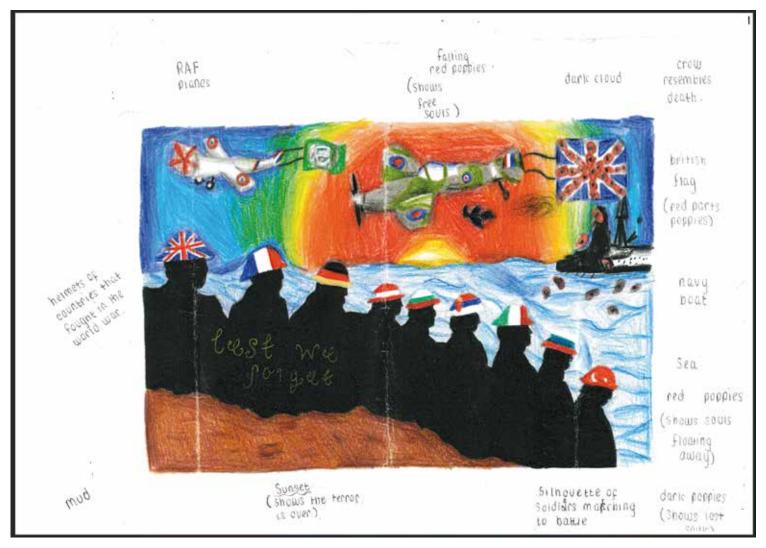
After an amazing remembrance week last week, Beth and I would just like to thank all the staff and students for their support in making this such a special time in school. Seeing our students in cadets, guides and scouts uniform made it even more special.

During the month of October, we ran 3 competitions they were as follows:

Art Competition, Poetry Competition and best decorated door competition. Here are the winners and highly commended for each category:

Poetry Competition	Art Competition	Best Door Competition	Highly Commended
-	-	competition	commended
Lilly Cannon, 7CC	Alex Williamson, 9CW	8CC	7CM
	Brighe Fitzpatrick, 9CW		7CS
	Lizzy Walker, 9CW		7HC
	Oscar Clifford, 9CW		8HS
	Sophie Saunders, 9CW		
	Wilfred Ku, 9CW		

Winning Art Competition - A group entry



Winning 'Best Door Competition' - 8CC



Poppy Poem!

The 11th of November is a very special day, But it is good to remember why So have a little read of poem But please try not to cry.

So remember the men that went out to fight, How strong and brave they must have been, It does bring a tear to my eye Just thinking about what they could have seen.

Some left families and children behind Not even knowing if they would return home, They must have felt so scared and frightened Must have felt so alone.

> So on the 11th of November Please wear your poppy with pride, Think of everyone involved, But especially those who died!!

Now everything has changed, It's now all in the past Thanks to all the people that fought We are all safe at last.



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 in 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

Suggested Donations Toothpaste

Toothpaste Toothbrushes (Child & Adult) Shampoo (all ages) Conditioner Sanitary Products Nappies & Pull-ups Deodorant Bubble Bath Shower Gel

New Toys and Books, 0-16 years New pants, 18 months to 16 years New pyjamas, 0-16 years

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!







World Challenge 2024: Expedition to eSwatin

Chosen Hill School invites you to join an online talk about our exciting eSwatini & Kruger expedition, running in July 2024.

Challenge This is a life-changing opportunity for students to explore eSwatini & Kruger with expert guides, while developing their life skills, confidence and independence. We're partnering with World Challenge to offer 13-night trip, which complements school learning.

Applications are now open, so please visit our trip webpage for the sign-up link, itinerary, travel dates, Covid secure booking terms and trip cost – examples of how past students have earned this themselves will be covered in the talk.

Jamie from World Challenge will host the 20-minute Zoom presentation on Wednesday 23rd November at 6pm. Please come along and ask any questions, or just listen in.

For more information please contact Miss S Clark

School Beat Team, Gloucestershire Constabulary

PC Pete Curtis, from the school beat team with the Gloucestershire Constabulary, has been delivering lessons to years 7, 8 & 9 on subjects such as drugs and alcohol, sexting and county lines.

PC Curtis has been in all week and will be in all next week and again for two weeks in the Summer Term.

The School Beat Team are a number of officers that go into primary and secondary schools delivering lessons in line with our PSHE curriculum across the county. They are building relationships and are offering support and advice to students.







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 9 Netball

A very wet and soggy afternoon at Cheltenham Ladies College this week for the year 9 Netballers!

They played some brilliant netball, well done!

Year 9 Rugby

Well done to the year 9 rugby team who progressed through to the next round of the EDF Cup, beating Marling School 30 - 12.



Sports Clubs, September to December

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

	Before School	Lunchtime	After School
	08:00 - 08:25	13:25 - 14:00	15:10 - 16:15
Monday		• Year 7 Hockey	
Tuesday		 Years 10 & 11 – Boys Basketball 	 All Years – Boys Rugby Year 9, 10 & 11 - Netball
Wednesday	 Functional Fitness – Girls Gym 	 Year 8, 9, 10 & 11 – Hockey 	Girls FootballYear 7 Rugby
Thursday		 Years 7, 8 and 9 – Boys Basketball GCSE Trampolining 	 Years 7 & 8 – Netball Boys Rugby
Friday		• Girls Basketball	• All Years - Badminton