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CHOSEN HILL SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM

Parent Bulletin
Friday 9th June 2023



Diary Dates for next week:

Wednesday 14th May 2023:

Years 7-10 Parent meeting - Munich Trip.

Thank you for your support this week - It is great to have the students back in school after the half-term break. We have spent some time in assemblies refocussing students on making the most of this term.

Over the upcoming weeks, as our Year 11 and 13 students finish their exams – we are taking time to reflect on this year and the developments we want to make over the next academic year.

Over the coming weeks I will share some further details on what we will be doing to progress our WATCH focus. One of the themes we will be developing is to increase the amount of positive contact home – we know how important celebrating success is and want to ensure that more students have more recognition for the positive choices, commitment and courage they show in school.

There has been some disruption due to the roadworks in the village this week - thank you for your patience and flexibility in working around these to pick up/drop off students safely and on time.

As the summer continues to heat up – please ensure that your child comes to school with a named, refillable water bottle so that they can stay hydrated throughout the day. Students have access to water to fill up their bottles at break and lunchtimes.

Many thanks

Mr Pauling
Headteacher

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www.chosenhillschool.co.uk

Learning Tip:

Self-reflection

Encourage your child to reflect on their learning and think about beliefs that may constrain them. Having self-awareness is a useful tool as it helps us to identify the areas we do well and those we need to work on.

Working at Chosen Hill School - Vacancies

Vacancy	Link to Advert	Closing Date
Teacher of English	Eteach	19th June 2023
Finance Officer	Eteach	25th June 2023
Site Assistant	Eteach	25th June 2023
HR Officer	Eteach	25th June 2023
Science Laboratory Technician - Chemistry	Eteach	25th June 2023

Uniform donations

Once your child has completed their GCSE exams we would appreciate any donations of washed uniform items that are in good condition which will no longer be required. Ties and blazers will be gratefully received in The HUB, alternatively they can be left at reception. Thank you

VEO Camera and Tripod

The PE department are aiming to purchase a VEO camera and tripod so we can film sports teams to analyse and improve performance as well as collate evidence for practical moderation.

We are looking for sponsorship and donations to be able to purchase the camera and tripod for the start of the new academic year.. We will be doing other fundraising events in Term 6.

The technology is state of the art and utilised by schools in the surrounding area. It provides teachers, pupils and parents with a breakdown of footage directly to their chosen device after the game has finished.

Please find a link to the website and other highlights to see the different features are listed below

www.veo.co

www.youtube.com/watch?v=fTpPSsvMKRM

If you are able to donate there is a link on the school gateway or if you would like to contact Mr Pettifer to discuss sponsorship please email him on jpe@chosen-hill.gloucs.sch.uk

National Science Thinking Competition

Last term two Year Ten classes took part in the National Science Thinking competition. This is an international competition with schools from around the UK (and abroad) competing in an online competition. Students had to answer a series of questions using reasoning and problem-solving skills. This is the first time that Chosen Hill School has competed in this competition, and we are delighted to announce that we achieved two Gold, three Silver and eight Bronze medals. This puts those students in the top 10%, 25% and 40% of the students who took part. A fantastic result all round. We will be awarding certificates to those students later in the term.

PE Dress Code 2023-2024

The PE dress code has been reviewed for September 2023. The school has made a number of changes in a move towards gender neutrality. This is still not completely possible, as the school is required to work within the guidance of certain sports governing bodies that continue to require specific equipment and dress codes. The school has changed to darker colours to help maintain the longevity of the PE kit and to keep the cost as low as possible.

For the academic year 2023-23 onwards, Year 7 are required to wear the new PE dress code outlined below. The uniform can be purchased through the school's uniform supplier, [Monkhouse Schoolwear Specialists](#) from 26th May 2023.

Years 8-11 can continue to wear their current PE uniform. Parents/carers are asked to replace items of clothing following the new PE dress code guidelines when required e.g. to replace wear and tear, a new size is required, a student would prefer the new PE dress code.

PE dress code from September 2023

BOYS

- Green/red reversible rugby shirt;
- Black shorts;
- Green games socks with white tops;
- Green and White School Logo Polo Shirt;
- White socks (non-branded);
- Trainers - any colour;
- Rugby or football boots (essential for outdoor activities on the field);
- Optional: skins (top and bottom) - plain black, (NB. tracksuit bottoms are not suitable for rugby and football) - no large logos.

GIRLS

- Green and White hooded sweatshirt with school logo;
- Black skirt;
- Green games socks with white tops;
- Green and White School Logo Polo Shirt
- White socks (non branded);
- Trainers – any colour;
- Optional: black shorts/ leggings/ skins/tracksuit bottoms – plain black, no large logos or mesh sides (CHS leggings available from Monkhouse Schoolwear Specialists).





National Numeracy Day

National Numeracy Day was on May 17th and this year's theme was to get families talking about numeracy and how we can all improve our confidence with it. Here are some resources to help you discuss numeracy with your families, or maybe you would like to try the [National Numeracy Challenge](#).

Number confidence for women and girls

Whether you love it or loathe it, everyone has something to say about maths! Talking about numbers makes them a little less scary. You often find out you're not alone, and it's a great first step towards improving numeracy too.

Women and girls consistently show lower confidence with numbers than men, but this seems to stem from culture more than anything to do with ability. Here three women with very different relationships with numbers discuss how numeracy is important in all walks of life.

[Rachel Riley talks to fellow ambassadors Katya Jones and Iona Bain about their own experiences with numbers.](#)

Number confidence tips for children

[Rachel Riley shares four fantastic tips that anyone can use to build their confidence with math and numbers](#)

[Number confidence tip sheet](#)

Money activities

The finance expert and podcaster Timi Merriman-Johnson, aka Mr MoneyJar, has created a set of resources to help children learn about savings, in a fun and imaginative way. It's not about having lots of money, but about learning to use what you do have wisely – a subject dear to Timi's heart.

[Activities](#)

Big Number Natters

How do numbers make you feel? It only takes a few minutes to watch our real life number natters share their feelings and their stories. Find out how feeling good - or bad - about numbers has affected their lives at work and at home. From getting better at managing money, to helping kids with homework...numbers are everywhere in our lives. Let's start sharing how we feel about them!

[Managing money](#)

[Helping kids with maths](#)

[Life with dyscalculia](#)

[Numeracy for work](#)

Fun activities

[Numbers and dancing with Katya Jones](#)

[Baking fun with Peter Sawkins](#)

Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF)

the Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF) is returning this summer for children and young people in reception to year 11, who are eligible for pupil premium free school meals.

The programme runs during the summer holidays. Online activity bookings for the HAF programme open at 12pm 5 July. Bookings usually go very fast after launch, so it is important to ensure you are informed of this before the date. Families can make sure they are HAF ready by registering on our Children's Activity Booking System (CABS).

If you require some additional support to attend HAF, we now have 6 HAF Community Connectors in place, for each district of Gloucestershire. All information on how to get in contact with your local HAF Community Connector is available on our website at gloucestershire.gov.uk/haf

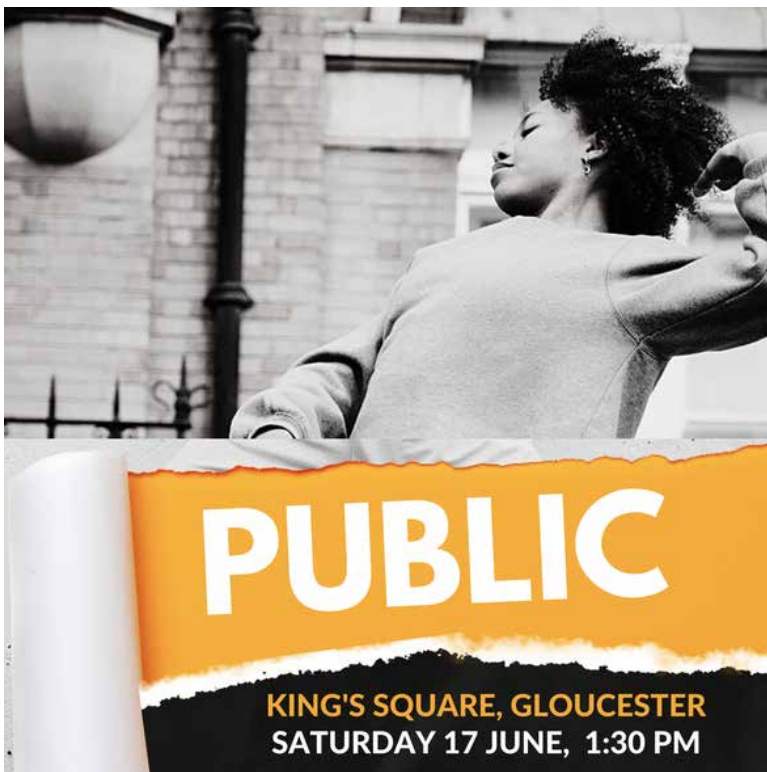
For any queries relating to HAF this summer, you can get in contact with us at: HAFParentEnquiries@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Student Services - Finance

There is currently a large number of students who are arriving at the Student Finance hatch and purchasing 10p items in order to change large note, such as £10 and £20. Unfortunately we do not keep large amounts of cash at the school and are unable to provide this service.

Please can you ensure that your child has the correct change to purchase stationery. It is possible for them to top up their lunch money at school, however, this should ideally be done by parents/carers via the School Gateway.

Strike a Light!



"Strike A Light" is an arts company that have worked with our students in the past, supporting the Dance Showcase and recently for the Trinity Gold Arts Award. The redevelopment of "Kings Square" in Gloucester has created a public venue for performances, exhibitions and much more. "Strike A Light" has commissioned an open-air dance/parcour/acrobatics performance at this venue.

Students and parents can take advantage of the free event on Saturday 17 June, 1.30pm, "Kings Square", Gloucester GL1 1RP. Just turn up on the day.

For other paid arts events visit: <https://strikealight.netlify.app/>

My STAGE SCHOOL



THURSDAYS CHELTENHAM

Naunton Park Primary School
Naunton Lane,
GL53 7BT

FRIDAYS CHELTENHAM

Belmont School
Warden Hill Road
Cheltenham
GL51 3AT

FRIDAYS GLOUCESTER

Milestone school
Longford lane
Longlevens
Gloucester
GL29EU

SATURDAYS CHELTENHAM

Bournside School
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FREE OPEN DAY!

Calling all children age 4-18 who are always singing, dancing or acting!

Come and try a shortened session with us while parents observe.
Meet the team and see what we are all about!

Choose from the following open days:

THURSDAY 6 JULY @ NAUNTON PARK SCHOOL

6.30pm to 7.15pm

or

FRIDAY 7 JULY @ BELMONT SCHOOL

6.30pm to 7.15pm

Email info@mystageschool.co.uk to book your free place.
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Forwarding a letter from...

Dear friends,

We are contacting you to let you know about all the fun activities we run over the summer for people aged 3-130!

Our new and improved tubing slope gets the adrenaline pumping. Going down a slope on a tube and racing your friends for only £12 a head it is a fun activity (perfectly followed by ice cream or a slushie which can be purchased on site) for anyone aged 4+!

Outdoor laser tag means getting fresh air, team building, and sneakily getting in some exercise for anyone over the age of 6.

After an hour of running around the hill, they're sure to be ready for some nice rest!

Skiing is such a fun sport and can open many opportunities in the future for ski trips and meeting new likeminded friends.

Our range of private and group ski lessons means that anyone of any ability above the age of 3 is welcome to learn to ski, race or practice their skills.

Ski lessons we run cost anywhere between £20 and £65 with all equipment included, dependant on age, or whether you want a group or private lesson. And our recreational rates go as low as £16. You can't go wrong!

We run a Holiday Ski School which is a three-day course (10am-12pm) for children aged between 6 and 9 years. And a two-day course (10am-4pm) for children aged 10-16 years with an included lunch. Any skill ability is welcome, as we run different levels on each course at the same time. For £120 per person for each course, this is a sure-fire way for your kids to build up their interest in skiing and meet new friends!

If you want a bit of everything, look at our Holiday Activity Days. For just £50, anyone between the ages of 6-16 can enjoy a day full of skiing, tubing, and laser tag, all with an included lunch!

Snowboarders are welcome too! With the same rates as recreational skiing, and lessons between £32 and £65, anyone above the age of 10 can learn to ride.

We also run a Holiday Snowboard Camp! Anyone between the ages of 10 and 16 is welcome to come for a three-day course, for three hours each day for £120. Learn to snowboard quickly to show off to your friends!

Contact us on 01452 501438 / enquiries@gloucesterski.com

Or visit our website at www.gloucesterski.com

We look forward to your visit!











Sports Clubs

April to July

Boys Sports Clubs

	Morning	Lunch	After School
Monday			
Tuesday		Year 8 Cricket: Sports Hall 	Year 7 Cricket 
Wednesday			All Years Athletics: School Field 
Thursday		All Years Tennis: Tennis Courts	Years 9 & 10 Cricket: Sports Hall
Friday		All Years Tennis: Tennis Courts 	Year 9 Softball 
			Years 7, 8 & 9 Tennis: Tennis Courts
			Year 7 Rugby League 








Photography at Chosen Hill School

We will be taking photographs of sporting fixtures. These could be used for display purposes within the school, on our website and social media platforms (these include Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, TikTok and LinkedIn).

If you DO NOT wish your child's photo to be used as indicated please contact publicity@chosen-hill.gloucs.sch.uk to opt out.

Girls Sports Clubs

	Morning	Lunch	After School
Monday			
Tuesday	Girls Fitness: Girls Gym		<i>All Years</i> Girls Runders: School Field
Wednesday		Girls Cricket: Sports Hall	<i>All Years</i> Athletics: School Field 
Thursday	Girls Fitness: Girls Gym	<i>All Years</i> Tennis: Tennis Courts	<i>Years 7, 8, 9 & 10</i> Runders Matches
Friday		<i>All Years</i> Tennis: Tennis Courts	

Cricket Fixtures

- Mon 5th June - U13s Cricket @ Pates (2pm onwards start)
- Tues 6th June - U15s Cricket @ Pates (2pm onwards start)
- Thurs 8th June - U15s Cricket vs Cleeve @ Chosen
- Tues 13th June - U14s Cricket Friendly @ Bournside
- Wed 14th June - U13s Cricket @ Bournside
- Thurs 15th June - U13s Cricket @ Winchcombe (potential later finish then state)
- Tues 20th June - U13s Cricket @ ASA
- Thurs 22nd June - U15s Cricket Friendly @ Holmleigh Park
- Mon 3rd July - U15s Cricket vs St Edwards @ Chosen
- Wed 5th July - U13s Cricket vs Holmleigh Park @ Chosen

All approx. 3.30-3.45 starts unless stated.
All approx. 5-5.30pm finishes unless stated.

*Dates may change due to cup match clashes and other schools rearranging

Any questions about U15s Cricket please email tw@chosen-hill.gloucs.sch.uk
Any questions about U13s Cricket please email sp@chosen-hill.gloucs.sch.uk



Sporting Fixtures



A great game against Pates this week, a really close contest! A standout performance from Will Downham and a great catch from Charlie Green!

Well done to all!



Y9s took part in the District Athletic event at the Prince of Wales stadium this week. Boys came 6th and Girls came 9th overall. Well done all who took part.

We forgot to take a photo of the girls so enjoy Miss Moss commentating on the 4X100 relay on our [PE Instagram](#).

Well done to all!

