



Gosford Hill School Parent Bulletin

No. 14 – Friday 13th December 2024

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Key Dates and Upcoming Events

Next Week (A)		
Date	Event	Time
Mon 16th December	Year 13/11 Drama Dress Rehearsals	4:00pm to 6:00pm
Tues 17th December	Year 11 Drama Dress Rehearsals	4:00pm to 6:00pm
Weds 18th December		
Thurs 19th December		
Fri 20th December	End of Autumn Term	School finishes at 12:30pm
21st December - 5th January		
Christmas Holiday		

Following Week (B)		
Date	Event	Time
Mon 6th January	INSET DAY	All day
Tues 7th January	Spring Term begins	
Weds 8th January	Year 13 Parents Evening	4:00pm to 6:30pm
Thurs 9th January		
Fri 10th January	Year 8 Human Library	8:30am - 10:15am

Collection of Summer 2024 Examination Certificates

Summer 2024 examination certificates will be available to collect from Reception during the following dates and times:

Monday 9th December – Wednesday 18th December 2024 (between 9:30am and 4:00pm)

Monday 13th January – Friday 24th January 2025 (between 9:30am and 4:00pm)

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Candidates may arrange for certificates to be collected on their behalf, or posted via recorded delivery (at a cost) by completing the form on the 'Exams Information' page of our website:

<https://gosford-hill.oxon.sch.uk/information-for-parents/exam-information/>

Authorised persons must provide photographic ID evidence on collection of certificates.

We recommend that you collect your certificates as soon as possible. Gosford Hill School will keep your certificates for a maximum of one year. After that, they will be destroyed. Please look after your certificates, as some awarding bodies do not offer a replacement certificate service.

Posted by – The Exams Team

Festive Family Day at Oxford City FC

Oxford City Football Club are excited to invite families to 'The Big Festive Matchday' at Oxford City Football Club on Saturday 21st December, at The MGroup Stadium!

This special double-header event promises a day packed with football and festive fun for all ages:

11:30am: Oxford City Women vs. Oxford United Women XI

3:00pm: Oxford City Men vs. Spennymoor Town

Plus, enjoy:

ALL

- A Christmas Market featuring delicious treats like crepes and coffee
- Activities for kids, including a Reindeer Trail, Face Painting, and a visit to Santa's Grotto
- Live festive music in the 1882 Bar from 5pm, followed by the Big Fortitude 50/50 Draw at 6pm

Free Tickets for School Families!

We are thrilled to offer school families FREE entry using the promo code FREESCHOOL.

This is a fantastic opportunity for families to come together, enjoy top-class football, and soak up the festive spirit. More information on the Oxford City FC website here: <https://oxfordcityfc.co.uk/>

Posted on behalf of Oxford City FC

Oxfordshire Junior Chess Tournament – 4th and 5th January 2025

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Oxfordshire Junior Chess is excited to announce that we will be holding the annual County Junior Chess Tournament on the weekend of 4th and 5th January 2025 at Cumnor Primary School. As in previous years, there will be U9, U11, U13, U15/18 sections. The online entry form link is [linked here](#) from which full tournament information and rules can be accessed. The tournament caters for first time tournament entrants all the way through to experienced junior players. Queries are welcomed by email to Anna Bishop at oxfordshirejuniorchess@gmail.com.

Posted on behalf of Oxfordshire Junior Chess

Sixth Form Open Evening – Wednesday 15th January 2025 – 5:30pm to 7:30pm

**Year
10 & 11**

Join our Sixth Form Open Evening on Wednesday 15th January where you can explore our Sixth Form Centre and find out more about studying A Levels at Gosford Hill School. Hear from our Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form, meet current students, and discover the benefits of a personalised education at GHS. You will also have the opportunity to discover our dedicated enrichment programme and how we prepare students for post-18 options. We look forward to seeing you there!

Posted by – Miss Brimble

Safeguarding

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Please remember that if you have a safeguarding concern within school hours, please send a message to the following email address: safeguarding@gosfordhillschool.org

If you have any safeguarding concerns outside of school hours please contact our local MASH Team (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub) on **0345 050 7666**.

Posted by – Mr La Porte

KIDLINGTON
St. Mary's Church, Kidlington

Christmas Tree Festival
"and glory shone around"

Saturday 14th December, 10am to 4pm
Sunday 15th December, 11:30am to 5pm

Free admission
Refreshments
Live music

Donations in aid of:
SANDS and Edukid

office@kidhp.org.uk

SANDS registered charity no. 298679. Edukid registered charity no. 1099058

Holiday Workshops The North Wall Arts Centre

**NW Inventors
Lantern Making Workshop**
23 Dec
10am - 4pm

Join us to make beautiful willow lanterns. All materials (including lights) will be provided.

For ages 8 - 11
Tickets: £40

Full busary places available: email Abie on waltona@thenorthwall.com for more information

**YouthLab
Intro to Directing Workshop**
23 Dec
10am - 4pm

Join us as we delve into the role of the director and explore how you can move work from page to stage.

For ages 12 - 17
Tickets: £40 for 3 half days

Full busary places available: email Abie on waltona@thenorthwall.com for more information

December **Book Now**
www.thenorthwall.com

**THE BIG
Festive Matchday**

SATURDAY 21st DECEMBER | THE MGROUP STADIUM | FROM 11:30

DOUBLE HEADER

11:30AM
OXFORD CITY WOMEN
VS OXFORD UNITED XI

3:00PM
OXFORD CITY MEN
VS SPENNYMOOR TOWN

LIVE MUSIC FROM RICH SNOW | SANTA'S GROTTO | CHRISTMAS MARKET
THE BIG FORTITUDE 50/50 | CREPES O'MANIA | JERICHO TRADERS COFFEE
REINDEER TRAIL | FACE PAINTING

The North Wall Arts Centre

Technical Theatre Programme
14 - 18 years

Technical Theatre Programme
at The North Wall Arts Centre
Supported by National Theatre Connections

CONNECTIONS 2025

We are delighted to be running a free open access technical theatre programme for 14-18 year olds, with the aim to offer an insight into backstage roles and careers. The young technicians will gain skills in technical theatre, attend workshop, complete a portfolio of work, and work on shows over the NT Connections Festival weekend.

Spaces are free (but limited)
For more info email Abie on waltona@thenorthwall.com

Apply by 8th January | thenorthwall.com

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SCHOOL

Sixth Form Open Evening

Wednesday 15th January 2025
5:30pm to 7:30pm



**Dedicated
Sixth Form facilities**



**Bespoke
pastoral support**



**Consistently
outstanding grades**



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