



Key Dates and Upcoming Events

Next Week (A)		
Date	Event	Time
Mon 13th January	Bring a Grown Up! – Music Workshop	4:00pm to 5:00pm
Tues 14th January		
Weds 15th January	Sixth Form Open Evening	5:30pm to 7:30pm
Thurs 16th January		
Fri 17th January		

Following Week (B)		
Date	Event	Time
Mon 20th January		
Tues 21st January		
Weds 22nd January		
Thurs 23rd January		
Fri 24th January		

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

I just wanted to remind you that the Sixth Form Open Evening will be held on Wednesday 15th January from 5.30pm-7.30pm. This is a great opportunity for you and your child in Year 10 or 11 to find out more about what we offer at Gosford Hill School Sixth Form and to speak to subject specialists about specific courses.

Please arrive at the main hall by 5.30pm where you can sign in and collect a prospectus. There will be a talk at this time until around 6.15pm. After this, you will have the opportunity to see the Sixth Form facilities and speak to subject teachers about the courses that you are interested in taking.

If you have any questions in advance of the evening please do not hesitate to contact me. I will also be on hand during the evening to speak to you then.

Posted by – Miss Brimble

**Year
10 & 11**

Culture Curriculum

ALL

Our school values of **Responsible, Respectful and Resilient** are established and broadly embedded into school life. They form a key part of our rewards system as demonstrating these characteristics will set students up for the best chance of success in later life. Equally, they are used in conversations when things go wrong to talk about how the behaviours we may see have not demonstrated these values. We know that these values are powerful if they are demonstrated; they are the things that we would hope young people possess in order to contribute positively to society, present themselves well for future employment, engage confidently with others and become adults who can navigate the challenges they may find themselves facing in the future.

Whilst these values are embedded in school, we recognise that we don't always talk about the precise things that allow us to demonstrate these. Therefore, this week we launched the start of our Culture Curriculum with students within school. The aim and purpose of our Culture Curriculum is to be really specific in how we articulate the values that we are striving to demonstrate, allowing us to use this language throughout school and support students in truly becoming the best they can be.

The first four elements of this curriculum that we have focussed on relate to being responsible and are shown above right. Over the next four weeks, in assemblies, we will be looking further into why these really matter for students now and in later life.



Posted by – Mr Bateman

PSHE Curriculum – Term 3

ALL

I would like to make you aware of this term's PSHE curriculum outline, which is now available on the school website here: <https://gosford-hill.oxon.sch.uk/curriculum/subjects/pshce/>

This gives you an overview of the upcoming topics that will be covered in our weekly PSHE lessons for each year group, based on the theme of "Living in the Wider World".

Posted by – Mr Darvell

Collection of Summer 2024 Examination Certificates

Year
11 & 13

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

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

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

Careers Information

Year 9 to 13: Careers Fest Parents/Carers Session

Oxfordshire Careers Hub is hosting the region's most anticipated and exciting careers event. We are at The Kassam Stadium and invite all parents/carers of students from Oxfordshire schools and colleges to come and meet the major players in the local labour market. [Booking is now open](#) for the parents and carers session at Careers Fest 2025, which will take place on 19th March between 4:00pm and 7:00pm at the Kassam Conference & Events Centre.

Year 10 and 11: ACE Training Open Mornings

<https://acetraining.co.uk/events-calendar>

ACE Training are holding a series of open mornings for students interested in a career in construction to visit the centre, meet the team and find out about their apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship opportunities. The next open morning will take place on 25th January from 10:00am - 12:00pm.

Year 11 and Year 13: Apprenticeships Webinar

Oxfordshire Careers Hub is teaming up with CareersLive for National Apprenticeship Week to hold an apprenticeship awareness webinar parents/carers (11th February from 6:00pm - 7:00pm).

Are you a parent or carer? Would you like to know more about apprenticeships to help support your young person with deciding what to do when they leave college? As parent/carers we know the important role you have in supporting your children with these choices, so we'd like to invite you to join us during National Apprenticeship week, to hear from local employers and apprentices and learn more about a pathway that has opportunities for everyone.

To register: <https://careersliveuk.com/partner/oxfordshire-careers-hub> (click on upcoming events).

Year 11 and Year 13: Engineering Trust Employer Events

Engineering Trust Training are holding open evenings with some of their employers - XDS Oxford, Ercol, Norbar Torque Tools, AFE, Navtech Radar. Barrus and Fortescue (Kidlington) - during National Apprenticeship Week, which takes place from 10th to 16th February. The events will include insights, networking opportunities and tours. [See link to book a place](#).

All Years: Lloyds Bank Academy: www.lloydsbankacademy.co.uk

The Lloyds Bank Academy website offers a range of free online courses to help people gain digital and financial skills. There are lots of courses that students might find beneficial, such as staying safe online and on social media, managing money through skills like budgeting, banking online and saving for a rainy day.

Posted by – Mrs Zajac

Safeguarding

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

Old Art and Photography Coursework

ALL

If your child finished their GCSE/A Level Art or Photography course last year, please remind them to collect their coursework before the February half term break (if they haven't already), as any old coursework left in the Art Department after we return from half term will be disposed of.

Posted by – Mrs Marencic

Bring a Grown Up! – FREE Family Learning Workshops at Gosford Hill School

Throughout the academic year, Gosford Hill School is hosting a series of fun family-oriented learning sessions, during which we invite **primary school-aged children in Years 4-6** to 'Bring a Grown Up!' and try something new!

This term, join us for a fun recording workshop in the Music Department, have fun using Science to problem-solve or come and explore German language and culture at one of our free family learning workshops.

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Music Workshop – Monday 13th January – 4:00pm to 5:00pm – **NEXT WEEK!**

Science Workshop – Thursday 27th March – 4:00pm to 5:00pm

German Workshop – Tuesday 1st April – 4:00pm to 5:00pm

[Click here](#) to learn more or to book. Places are limited and are already filling fast, so please book soon to avoid disappointment!

Please note that only one ticket is required to be booked to enable participation for one child and one accompanying parent. Should you need help with ticket booking, please give us a call on 01865 374971.

MUSIC LESSONS

From £6.80 per lesson
Dependent on group size

AT GOSFORD HILL



**SIGN UP OR
FIND OUT MORE:**
www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/musicinterest



Families on certain benefits can apply for free music lessons by completing the 'help with payment' section of the sign-up form

Do you like singing and acting? Do you like making music?



**A chance to take part
in Charlbury's
Community Opera**

**Benjamin Britten's
Noye's Fludde**
Conducted by Ben Goodall

**April 5th & 6th 2025
in St. Mary's Church**

We are looking for:

10 Solo Singers aged 10-18

2 Dancers aged 10-15

Auditions Sunday 19th January

Chorus of 50 Animals aged 8-18 (no audition)

Recorder Players, all ages (no audition)

String Players all ages (no audition)

**This will be a fully staged production with costumes,
props and scenery, professional musicians and singers.
A chance of a lifetime ... do join us!**

For more information and to apply for audition please contact
Isabel Knowland isabelknowland@gmail.com 07788 174785
Oxford Concert Party Charity Number 1049340



Bring a Grown Up!

FREE Family Learning Workshops at Gosford Hill School
Spring Term 2025

Suitable for children in Years 4-6

Music Workshop
Monday 13th January, 4pm - 5pm
Come along and join in with a fun recording workshop in the Music department.



Science Workshop
Thursday 27th March, 4pm - 5pm
Join us for an interactive workshop where you will use science to help the Easter bunny solve problems, so that he can deliver his eggs on time. Lots of fun and plenty of chocolate!

German Workshop
Tuesday 1st April, 4pm - 5pm
Come and explore German language and culture with an Easter theme. We will be learning key vocabulary through playing games and putting our linguistic skills to the test to find hidden Easter eggs.



We look forward to seeing you at one or all of these FREE workshops.

Scan the QR code today to book your place, or visit:
www.gosford-hill.oxon.sch.uk/community/bring-a-grown-up
Alternatively, you can give us a call on 01865 374971



careers fest Oxfordshire

Twilight Session
19th March 2025
4:00pm-7:00pm

Kassam Conference & Events Centre, Oxford, OX4 4XP

This session is for students and parents/carers. All families are welcome but we believe this will be most useful for students in Year 9 and above.

Careers Fest is an opportunity to meet a range of Oxfordshire employers, further education colleges, universities and training providers.

- Over 80 exhibitors offering information, advice and guidance on future pathways and careers from a varied range of sectors.
- Find out about post 16 and 18 options to help you support your young person



Register to attend:
<https://bit.ly/cf2025twilight>



Watch last year's highlights:
<https://bit.ly/cf2024highlights>



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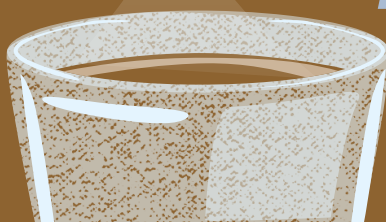
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Skills

practise English

make new friends

International Café

EVERY TUESDAY 5-6PM



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23 Oxford Road, Kidlington OX5 2BP
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GOSFORD HILL
SCHOOL

Sixth Form Open Evening

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



**Dedicated
Sixth Form facilities**



**Bespoke
pastoral support**



**Consistently
outstanding grades**



www.gosford-hill.oxon.sch.uk/sixth-form



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