



Key Dates and Upcoming Events

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

Following Week (A)		
Date	Event	Time
Mon 27th January	Voco Oxford Takeover Day	9:00am to 2:45pm
Tues 28th January		
Weds 29th January	UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge Sports Tour Information Evening	6:00pm to 6:45pm
Thurs 30th January		
Fri 31st January		

Change of date for INSET Day 5

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Please be advised that INSET Day 5 (initially arranged for Wednesday 19th March) has been rescheduled to Wednesday 30th April.

Posted by – Mr Birchall

Bidwells Oxford 10k 2025 – Supporting Muscular Dystrophy UK

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Taking place on Sunday 11th May 2025, Oxford Town and Gown is the oldest run in the series. It started in 1982 by local runners as a fun run to raise funds for muscular dystrophy and still to this day all profits from the race go to Muscular Dystrophy UK (MDUK).

For more information or to sign up, please click here: <https://race-nation.co.uk/register/town-and-gown-events/oxford-town-and-gown-2025>

Posted on behalf of Muscular Dystrophy UK

Year 11 Mock Examinations Timetable and Revision Booklet

Year 11

Year 11 Mock Examinations – February 2025

Distributed with this bulletin is a timetable for the upcoming Year 11 mock exams in February. The timetable can also be viewed on/downloaded from the school website [here](#).

Year 11 Revision Booklet

This week, Year 11 students were given a printed copy of Year 11 Revision Booklet, which has been produced to aid them with their revision as they work towards their GCSE exams. The booklet can also be viewed on/downloaded from the school website [here](#).

Posted by – Mr Gannon

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

Old Art and Photography Coursework

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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 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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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.

Careers Information

Year 11

Applications should be being made **now** for Sixth Forms, college and apprenticeships.

Please make sure that your child in Year 11 has at least one plan A and plan B (e.g if grades needed for plan A are not achieved). If plan A is an apprenticeship, a typical plan B will be a related college course, in case they are not successful in securing an apprenticeship. If you would like more information on the different qualifications options see: <https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/parent-zone/choices-at-16>. When applying, please check the entry grades required are realistic for your child. Find apprenticeships that are being advertised now by Googling “apprenticeships near me”.

Year 10 & 11

If your child is still unsure what course or path to pursue, please ask them to drop in to see Mrs Zajac, so I can help them.

Year 10

We have launched the career platform ‘Unifrog’ with Year 10 students and they should have received a log on email to get them started. This platform has lots of useful information about future careers, pathways to get there, as well as a place to record strength quizzes, interests and activities, including work experience, to help CV building and applications later.

Please encourage them to check for this email (in case that it went to a spam folder) and log on, so ready to access in class.

Posted by – Mrs Zajac

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

**TIME OUT
FOR PARENTS**
The Teenage Years

Common sense, jargon free information & ideas
to help you to engage with your children &
boost your relationship

When: Thursday 30th January - 13th March 2025
Time: 7:30pm - 9:30pm
Where: St Andrew's Church, Linton road, OX2 6UG

More information and to sign up head to the website
www.standrewsoxford.org/parenthub or scan to the QR code.

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Are you a parent of a young person diagnosed with a Functional Neurological Disorder?



Volunteer parents needed to share their experiences for a research study at the University of Oxford



Who's needed?

Parents of 11 – 17 year olds diagnosed with FND who are residents of the UK

What's involved?

Anonymous online questionnaires about yourself, your experiences of stigma and your wellbeing. This should take 5 – 10 minutes.

Interested?

Scan the QR code or click the link to take part!

https://psychiatryoxford.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_e3S1ezxmSUEibXM




What is a Functional Neurological Disorder (FND)?

FND refers to a collection of conditions which often have different names e.g.:

- Non – epileptic seizures
- Functional tics
- Functional attack disorder
- Functional movement disorder
- Conversion disorder
- Functional paralysis
- Hemiplegic migraine
- Psychogenic amnesia
- Functional weakness
- Non-epileptic attack disorder (NEAD)
- Non organic weakness
- Functional pain

For more information contact Saskia Phelps (Trainee Clinical Psychologist) saskia.phelps@worc.ox.ac.uk

This study has received ethical approval: Reference number: R95257/RE001 Oxford Institute for Clinical Psychology Training (OxICPT) Recruitment Poster, Version 10 July 2024. Self-stigma in Parents of Young People with Functional Neurological Disorders or asthma.

Are you a parent of young person who has a diagnosis of asthma?



Volunteers needed to share their experiences for a research study at the University of Oxford.

Who's needed?

Parents of 11 – 17 year olds with a diagnosis of asthma who are residents of the UK

What's involved?

Anonymous 10-15 minute online questionnaire about yourself, your experiences of stigma and your wellbeing

Scan the QR code or click the link to take part!



www.psychiatryoxford.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_e3S1ezxmSUEibXM



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February 2025

Newsletter

Thursday 20th Feb 19:00 - 20:00 FREE		FREE SESSION Supporting Healthy Screen Use A range of steps that can help minimise the harms from screens
Monday 3rd Feb 10:00 - 11:30 £24		Supporting a Child with ADHD Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.
Tuesday 11th Feb 19:00 - 20:30 £24		Facing Defiance Specific strategy to help parents manage defiant and challenging behaviour, especially aimed at ADHD, ODD and PDA conditions, 5 to 12 years old.
Tuesday 18th Feb 19:00 - 20:30 £24		Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness Get the facts and know the harms about these two drugs so you can hold an informed conversation with your teens.
Tuesday 25th Feb 19:00 - 20:30 £24		Understanding the Teenage Brain A 'must see' for all parents and teachers of teens and pre-teens. Explains why teens think, feel and behave very differently from adults and how we can support them.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk



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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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!

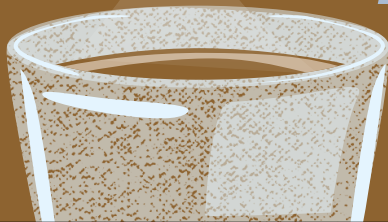
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