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Gildredge House

# WEEKLY NEWS

WEEK 8 . TERM 1 . 10TH NOVEMBER 2023



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## KEY REMINDERS



### Children in Need - Friday 17th November

To celebrate Children in Need the Primary children will participate in a fun workout session run by the Year 6 and selected Year 7 students. Primary children can wear their school PE kits to school. We are suggesting all pupils to donate £1.



NUT FREE SCHOOL - To safeguard our students, staff and visitors it is imperative that peanuts, nuts and anything nut based are NOT bought into school or consumed on the premises.

## ASPIRE Points Totals



BADER

7231



CARTER

5703



HOPKINS

5940



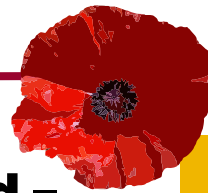
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## Key Dates

**16TH NOVEMBER**  
YEAR 11 PARTNERSHIP  
WITH PARENTS EVENING

**17TH NOVEMBER**  
PRE-LOVED SCHOOL  
UNIFORM SALE

**21ST AND 28TH  
NOVEMBER**  
PARENT STEERING GROUP  
FOR YEAR 7, 8 & 9  
SCHOOL REPORTS

**28TH NOVEMBER**  
GCSE MUSIC RECITAL  
EVENING

**13TH AND 14TH  
DECEMBER**  
THE TWINKLY NATIVITY -  
YEAR 1 AND 2

**13TH DECEMBER**  
THE WITCHES  
PERFORMANCE

**3RD-15TH JANUARY**  
YEAR 11 MOCK  
EXAMINATIONS



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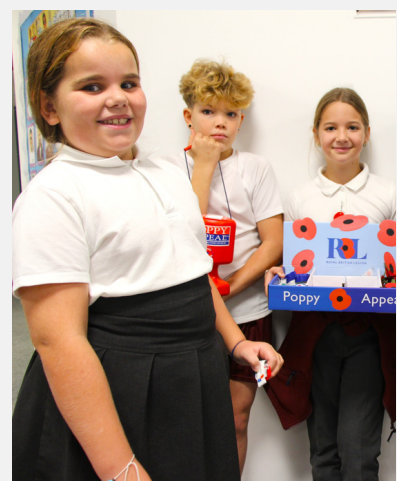
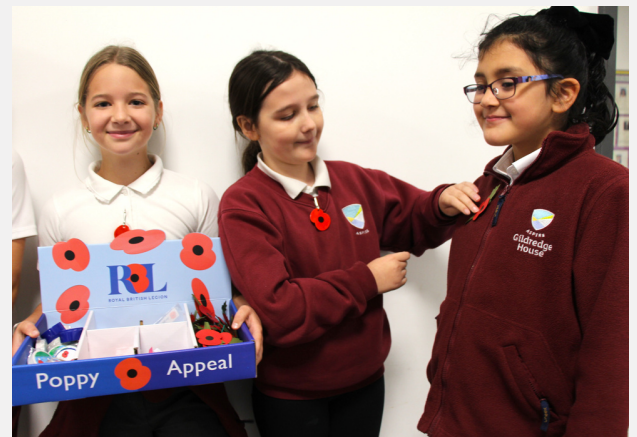
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## Remembrance Day

The children have been learning about the sacrifices made by those who fought in wars to protect our freedom and rights. It's important that we continue to honour and remember these brave people who gave their lives for our country.

Students this week have:

- Attended assemblies to commemorate Remembrance Day
- Sold and bought poppies
- Watched educational videos to raise awareness
- Read poems around the topic, eg 'In Flanders Fields'
- Heard 'The Last Post' bugle playing
- Observed a two minute silence as a mark of respect for all those that have fallen ( Friday 10th November)



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# KEY DATES

## SOME KEY DATES TO ADD TO YOUR CALENDAR

<b>16TH NOVEMBER</b>	<b>YEAR 11 PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS EVENING</b>
<b>17TH NOVEMBER</b>	<b>PRE LOVED SCHOOL UNIFORM SALE</b>
<b>21ST &amp; 28th NOVEMBER</b>	<b>PARENT STEERING GROUP, YEAR 7,8,9</b>
<b>28TH NOVEMBER</b>	<b>GCSE MUSIC RECITAL EVENING</b>
<b>1ST DECEMBER</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY</b>
<b>2ND DECEMBER</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS FAYRE 12- 3pm</b>
<b>5TH DECEMBER</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS VARIETY SHOW - RECEPTION CHRISTMAS DINNER - PRIMARY</b>
<b>6TH DECEMBER</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS VARIETY SHOW - RECEPTION CHRISTMAS DINNER - SECONDARY</b>
<b>13TH DECEMBER</b>	<b>THE WITCHES PERFORMANCE</b>
<b>13TH DECEMBER</b>	<b>THE TWINKLY NATIVITY YEAR 1 AND 2 BADGERS AND ROBINS PARENTS INVITED</b>
<b>14TH DECEMBER</b>	<b>THE TWINKLY NATIVITY YEAR 1 AND 2 WOODPECKER AND SQUIRREL PARENTS INVITED</b>
<b>3-5TH JANUARY</b>	<b>YEAR 11 MOCK EXAMS</b>



FRIENDS OF GILDREDGE HOUSE  
INVITE YOU TO THE

# CHRISTMAS FAYRE

JOIN US ON

**SATURDAY 2 DECEMBER**  
**12 TIL 3PM**  
**GILDREDGE HOUSE SCHOOL**



### **Infant Free School Meals**

Your child gets free school meals if they are in:

- Reception class
- Year 1
- Year 2



If you get any of the benefits listed below, your child's school will get more funding. Apply online now if you're entitled. This will ensure your child gets free school meals as they move to Year 3.

### **Apply for free school meals online**

#### **Free school meals for children in Year 3 and older**

Older children may get free school meals if their parents or carers get any of these benefits:

- Universal Credit - GOV.UK – if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Income Support - GOV.UK
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA) - GOV.UK
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA) - GOV.UK
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 - GOV.UK
- The Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit -GOV.UK
- Child Tax Credit - GOV.UK only, if your annual household income isn't over £16,190 (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs)
- Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit[Anyone who gets Working Tax Credit - GOV.UK won't get free meals regardless of income]

Children eligible for free school meals on or after 1 April 2018 will remain eligible until they finish the phase of schooling (primary or secondary) they are in on 31 March

### **Apply for free school meals online**



# GH PRIMARY NEWS



## Year 4 Wakehurst Place Trip

Year 4 embarked on a trip to Wakehurst Place. Wakehurst Place is a house and botanic garden in West Sussex, England, owned by the National Trust.

During their time there, they had the opportunity to take part in three workshops that were linked to their science topic of living things and their habitats and they got to visit the Millennium Seed Bank.

**A fun day was had by all!**





# GH PRIMARY NEWS



## EYFS FIRE BRIGADE VISIT

We are grateful to the East Sussex Fire & Rescue Service for taking the time to visit our school and meet with the children in EYFS. Their visit has been instrumental in supporting our learning about Bonfire Celebrations, Fire Safety and People Who Help Us. The children had a great time interacting with the firefighters and learning some valuable safety tips.

# GH SPORT SUCCESS

## Eastbourne Primary Schools Cross Country Run

A fantastic effort by our Year 5 and 6 athletes at the Eastbourne Primary Schools Cross Country run on Monday this week. 12 out of 19 runners came in the top 15, 6 in the top 10, with Lela and Mollie taking first and second place in the Year 5 Girls race respectively. Thank you to our secondary leaders and Mrs Roberts for supporting the teams, walking the course and organising the finishing place cards.



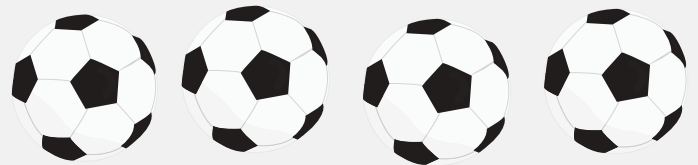


# GH SPORT SUCCESS



## HUGE CONGRAULATIONS

Charlie has been signed to play for Brighton and Hove Albion under 12s. We are all super proud of his achievement.



A brilliant performance by our swimmers in Year 4, 5 and 6 at the Eastbourne College Junior Schools Gala resulted in the boys team achieving first place, with the girls team taking second. Congratulations to Bertie , Logan , Isaac, Faye, Abigail Mollie and Edie



# SECONDARY NEWS

## YEAR 11

### **Year 11 Partnership With Parents Evening**

At Gildredge House, we recognise the importance and value of parental involvement in the life of the school. We believe that education is a collaborative enterprise, and we are committed to establishing and maintaining an effective and purposeful working relationship with our parents.

As part of this process, We are inviting Year 11 parents to attend our Year 11 Partnership with Parents Evening on **Thursday 16th November 2023 between 5.30–6.30 pm** in the Atrium. The main focus of the evening will be effective revision strategies. Our Heads of English, Maths and Science will each deliver a session on what effective revision looks like in their respective subjects. Our hope is that by providing you with this information, you will be able to support your child during their preparations for the upcoming mock and summer examinations.

We would very much appreciate it if you could confirm your attendance using the [link](#) or the QR Code.



***We look forward to meeting with you on  
Thursday 16th November 2023.***



# SECONDARY NEWS



## Parent Steering Group for Year 7, 8 and 9 School Reports

Parents of Year 7, 8 and 9 students, your help is required. Mr Towner is inviting you to be part of a small group of no more than eight parents. This group will help him to ensure that the school reports that you receive at the end of terms 2, 4 and 6 are useful and can be widely understood by all parents. You do not need to have any past experience or knowledge of the education system, in fact a complete lack of understanding may perhaps be more helpful.

The steering group will take part in two sessions that will take place in school on:

- **Tuesday 21st November between 4pm and 5pm**
- **Tuesday 28th November between 4pm and 5pm**

If you are able take part and offer your support, please complete the form by clicking [here](#)



# GILDREDGE HOUSE DRAMA PERFORMANCE

13TH DECEMBER AT 5PM



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# WITCHES

**TICKET PRICES £3 ADULTS & £2.50  
CHILDREN**

**Tickets can be purchased on [sQuid](#)**



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# GCSE MUSIC RECITAL EVENING

TUESDAY 28th NOVEMBER  
CREATIVE iMEDIA SUITE

17:00 pm - 19:00 pm

£5 Tickets available on sQuid



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# ATTENDANCE



## WEEKLY CLASS ATTENDANCE

At Gildredge House, we believe that outstanding attendance is important to ensure children are safe and have full access to the educational provision made for them.

We closely monitor attendance for all students in both Primary and Secondary. We celebrate, weekly, the top two classes with the highest attendance rates in both phases of the school.

Week : Commencing 30th October

### Congratulations to:

Primary

Secondary

3A = **98%**

9R = **96.2%**

5A & 4A = **96%**

11J = **96%**

**Top year group attendance this week is**

**PRIMARY YEAR 3**

**SECONDARY YEAR 9**

**Whole school attendance this week **93%****

# ATTENDANCE



# MATTERS



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# School Meals

Our school takes pride in offering healthy and nutritious meals for our students. We understand that a well-balanced diet is crucial for their growth and development, which is why we invest in providing high-quality ingredients and preparing them in a way that is both delicious and healthy. Our menu is designed to cater to different tastes and dietary needs, ensuring that every child can enjoy a satisfying meal that meets their nutritional requirements. We believe that by promoting healthy eating habits at a young age, we can help our students establish a foundation for a lifetime of good health.



## WEEKLY MENU

### Gildredge House School Week Three

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Beef Lasagne topped with Cheese and Crispy Onions

Sweet and Sour Pork with Pineapple in a Tangy Sauce

Beef Cottage Pie with Caramelised Onion Gravy

Black Bean Chicken Casserole

Catch of the day - Breaded Fish - Gluten free option also Available

Butternut Squash, Lentil & Spinach Lasagne (V)

Sweet and Sour Quorn pieces with Pineapple in a Tangy Sauce (V)

Spinach, Sweet Pepper and Spinach tart (V)

Egg Noodle Stir Fry (V)

Vegetable chilli Bean Tortilla Wrap with Salsa and Cheese (V)

Garlic Bread Slice

Braised Rice

Thyme Roasted Carrots

Braised Rice

Fried Chips

Steamed Baby Potatoes

Steamed Garden Peas

Fusilli Pasta with Tomato Basil Sauce

Jacket Potato with Baked Beans

Jacket Potato with Cheddar Cheese

Fusilli Pasta with Pesto Dressing

Marbled Sponge

Chocolate Orange Brownie

Fusilli Pasta with Tomato Herb Sauce

Cinnamon & Oat Cookie

Fresh Fruit Salad

Orange Jelly

Available daily

Salad Bar



# FRIENDS OF GILDREDGE HOUSE

## FORTHCOMING DATES

EVENT	SCHOOL YEAR	PROPOSED DATE
Year 7 Disco	Year 7	10 November 2023
Christmas Jumper Day	Primary and Secondary	1 December 2023
Christmas Fayre	Whole School Community	2 December 2023
Christmas Movie Night	Primary and Secondary - Limited ticket event	13 December 2023
Open mic night with surprise guest appearance	Secondary	19 January 2023

## REMINDERS

### PRE LOVED CHRISTMAS JUMPER SALE

We would love you all to have a rummage through your wardrobes and drawers to look for any Christmas jumpers that may be too small/not worn to donate to our upcoming Pre Loved Christmas Jumper sale. All sizes are welcome in a clean condition. Please hand it into the main school reception.







# UNIFORM SHOP

**PRIMARY & SECONDARY**

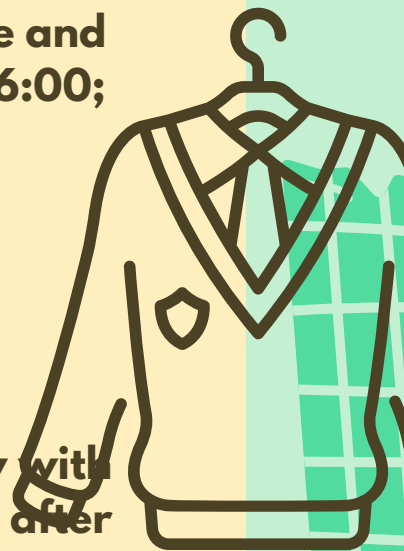
The second hand uniform shop will be open on the following dates until the end of the year. Come and visit us in Master's House between 14:30 and 16:00;

Friday 17 November

Wednesday 6 December

Please note that the shop is cash sales only

The shop will open again on Friday 19 January with further opening times planned for each month after that.



## CLOTHING DRIVE

We need your PE kits, fleeces and blazers for resale please! All good quality donations are welcomed and can be handed in to the secondary school reception.

We'd also like your pre-loved dressing up clothes! Anything medieval, roman, space, superhero and Victorian related for resale and swap is welcome.



# STAFF VACANCIES

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WE ARE CURRENTLY RECRUITING FOR THE BELOW VACANCIES:

- **DATA MANAGER**
- **ESTATES OFFICER**
- **SECONDARY TEACHING ASSISTANT**
- **TEACHER OF MATHS**
- **TEACHER OF SCIENCE**
- **ASSISTANT HEAD OF YEAR**



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FOR MORE INFORMATION  
CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

