



ASPIRE

Gildredge House

WEEKLY NEWS

WEEK 9 . TERM 1 . 24TH NOVEMBER 2023



ASPIRE IN ALL THAT WE DO

KEY REMINDERS

Christmas Dinner



Key Dates

28TH NOVEMBER
PARENT STEERING GROUP
FOR YEAR 7, 8 & 9

28TH NOVEMBER
GCSE MUSIC RECITAL
EVENING

1ST DECEMBER
CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

2ND DECEMBER
CHRISTMAS FAYRE

5TH AND 6TH DECEMBER
CHRISTMAS DINNER

5TH AND 6TH DECEMBER
CHRISTMAS VARIETY
SHOW - RECEPTION

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

13TH DECEMBER
THE WITCHES
PERFORMANCE

This year, Christmas lunch will be served to Primary students on Tuesday 5th December and Wednesday 6th December for Secondary & Sixth Form students.

There will be no alternative to Christmas lunch, therefore, children who do not wish to have the lunch are welcome to bring a packed lunch with them.

To assist Harrison Catering in effectively managing the catering arrangements, all parents are asked to complete the form on Edulink to indicate whether your son/daughter would like a Christmas lunch, or whether they will be bringing a packed lunch. **Please submit no later than 5 pm on Friday 1st December.**



DOG FREE SITE



A friendly reminder that our school is a dog-free zone. This means that we kindly ask you not to bring any dogs on-site, including the bottom of the drive. We want to ensure the safety and well-being of all our students and staff, and having dogs on the premises can pose a risk of injury or discomfort for some people. We appreciate your cooperation and understanding in this matter.

ASPIRE Points Totals



BADER

9152



CARTER

7236



HOPKINS

7528



JOHNSTON

7633



RAVILIOUS

8183



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SOME KEY DATES TO ADD TO YOUR CALENDAR

28th NOVEMBER	PARENT STEERING GROUP, YEAR 7,8,9
28TH NOVEMBER	GCSE MUSIC RECITAL EVENING
1ST DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY
2ND DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS FAYRE 12- 3 pm
5TH DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS VARIETY SHOW - RECEPTION CHRISTMAS DINNER - PRIMARY
6TH DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS VARIETY SHOW - RECEPTION CHRISTMAS DINNER - SECONDARY
11TH AND 12TH DEC	CAROL CONCERT IN THE MUGA FOR YEARS 3 - 6
12TH DECEMBER	GILDREDGE HOUSE CHRISTMAS VARIETY SHOW
13TH DECEMBER	THE TWINKLY NATIVITY YEAR 1 AND 2 BADGERS AND ROBINS PARENTS INVITED
13TH DECEMBER	THE WITCHES PRIMARY AND SECONDARY - TICKET EVENT
14TH DECEMBER	THE TWINKLY NATIVITY YEAR 1 AND 2 WOODPECKER AND SQUIRREL PARENTS INVITED
3- 15TH JANUARY	YEAR 11 MOCK EXAMS



THANK YOU

Gildredge House School

for raising a fantastic

£288.82

The money you have raised will be used to help change the lives of children and young people facing disadvantage in communities across the UK.

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IN NEED

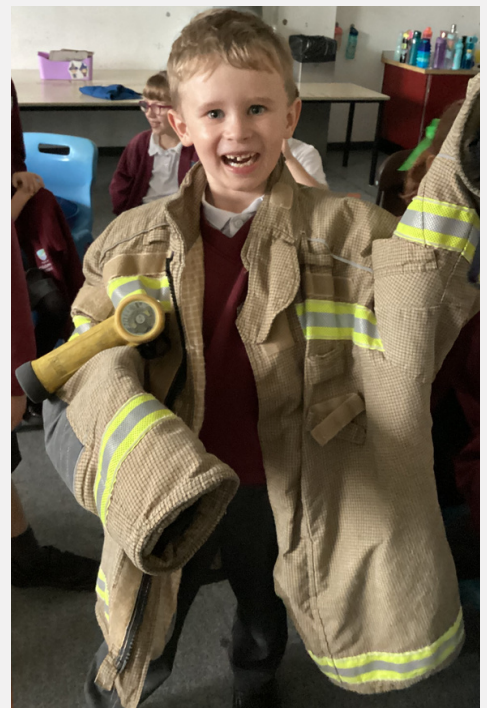
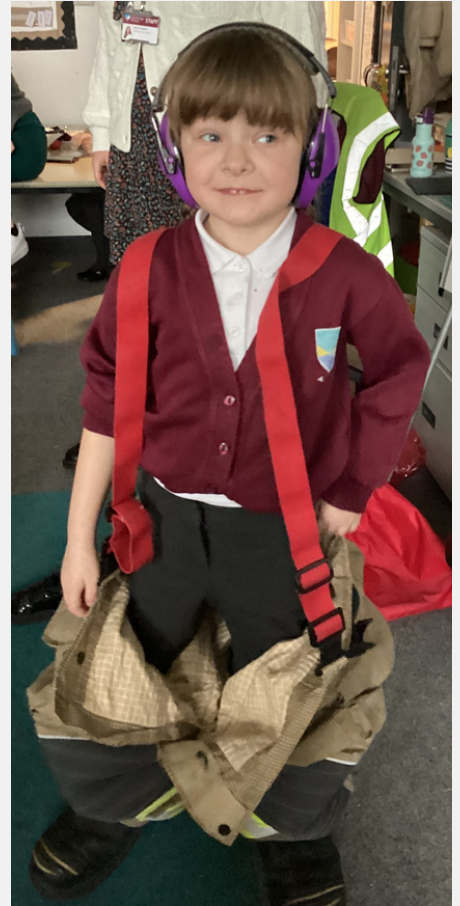


GH PRIMARY NEWS

YEAR 2 FIREFIGHTER VISIT

Mr Jones (Harry's dad) works for the London Fire Brigade and he came to tell us all about the special uniform he wears and the tools he uses to help him do his job. The children loved exploring the different tools and even trying on his uniform! It was great to see how our Fire Brigade has changed since 1666.

Thank you so much for visiting us!





GH PRIMARY NEWS

CAROL CONCERT

This a reminder that our Primary students from Years 3-6 will be performing carols on the MUGA on Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th December from 2.45-3pm



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER

Children are invited to come to school on Friday 1st of December in Christmas jumpers over their normal school uniform. This is not a mufti day



THE RETURN OF...



**Gildredge
House**

**GILDREDGE
HOUSE
CHRISTMAS
VARIETY
SHOW**



6:00 PM, DECEMBER 12TH 2023

SEASONAL REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE

TICKETS ON SALE THROUGH SQUID FOR £3

Celebrate

Christmas

Tuesday 5th December 2023

Gildredge House Primary School
Christmas Lunch offering £2.35

Roasted Turkey Breast, Sage & Onion Stuffing
Slice, Roast Potatoes, Carrots Peas & Sprouts
mix, Gluten Free Gravy

Or

Vegetable, Lentil, Quorn Sausage Puff Pastry
Parcel, Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Peas & Sprouts
mix, Gluten Free Gravy

Dusted Chocolate
Brownie

The catering team wish
you all, a very Happy &
Jolly Christmas.



Treebourne 'Tree Care Saturday' 25th November from 9 am to 12 pm



Join Treebourne on Saturday 25th November from 9am to 12pm to help look after the trees school children planted at Macmillan Drive Park, Eastbourne, BN21 1SX.

Everyone is welcome, adults and children. All ages and abilities. No need to book just turn up any time and stay for as long as you like. It may be muddy so sturdy boots and thick gloves are recommended.

You can find a map of the meeting point [here](#).

FOOTBALL CLUB

Despite the grey skies on Tuesday, it was a great day for the football club! 75+ students turned out for an exciting afternoon of sport in the fresh air - and it was wonderful to see the field filled with students having fun!



GH SPORT SUCCESS



OUR FOOTBALLERS CONTINUE THEIR WINNING STRIKE

Year 10 football team beat the Turing school on Thursday 1-0 to continue their 100% record this year with three wins from three. A fantastic performance from all the boys.

Year 7 Boys football team beat Willingdon school 2-1 on Wednesday to continue their excellent start to the season. Well done gentlemen.

GH SPORT SUCCESS

We are delighted to share some recent successes in Cross Country for Byron R (Yr8), Josh W (Yr8), Raya P (Yr10) and Tom P (Yr10).

All four run for Eastbourne Rovers AC and have been competing in Sussex and South of England competitions.

Byron and Josh were part of the U13 boys team that were crowned county champions at the Sussex Cross Country relays. Raya achieved the same in the U15 girls team and Tom won a silver medal in the U15 boys category.

Next stop was the South of England XC relays at Wormwood Scrubs in London. There was stiff competition on the day against some of the best clubs and individuals in the country but they all ran brilliantly. The U13 boys (Byron and Josh) came away with a bronze team medal. Raya went one better in the U15 girls' race securing team silver. And the U15 boys team (Tom) finished in a respectable 7th place.

They are all part of the Sussex endurance squad which brings together the most talented athletes in the county for development training. All four have also been selected to run for Sussex at the upcoming South of England inter-counties race at Oxford on December 9th.



CUES

Coping with Uncertainty in Everyday Situations

Is your child experiencing feelings of anxiety? Are you looking for information on how to help them? CUES is a training course for parent/carers to support their children with feelings of anxiety they are experiencing.



If this is something you would be interested in attending, please click on the link below or use the QR code for more information and to complete a short questionnaire about where and when you can attend.

[Click here](#) to answer the questions and register your interest or use [QR code](#).

“Supportive and safe space”

“Breath of fresh air”

“A community of parents”

“Helping you to deal with your child”





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for Education



Brighton & Hove
City Council



Winter HAF

Holiday Activities and Food

This winter Streetfunk in partnership with Brighton & Hove City Council will be running a Winter HAF to all kids between 10-16 yrs who currently receive free school meals.

We will provide: (all free)

- Dance workshops
- Hot lunch and snacks
- Bus pass for the week
- Commercial dance classes with one of Brighton and Hove's best commercial dancers
- A real studio experience at BN1 Arts College, a creative centre of excellence
- Filming and performance opportunities including TikTok

10am till 2pm | 19th December - 21st December
Location: BN1 Arts College



Gildredge House's Eco Committee attended the Festival of Creativity 2023, Hosted by the Coastal Schools Project and the Pevensey Bay To Eastbourne Coastal Management Scheme, hosted at Eastbourne College.

Our Year 9 Reporter Oli gives us an insight into the day.....

On the 16th of November, Gildredge House's Eco Committee travelled to Eastbourne College for the Festival Of Creativity where the day consisted of:

- Showcasing new innovative ways to tackle the rising sea levels and a higher consistency of storms arriving at our coastline
- Brainstorming ideas on how to educate people about our coastline and the impact of the ocean on the UK's coastal towns

We travelled as a group around a section of Eastbourne College going to different zones to inspire us and the other schools about different opportunities around the coast, visualising the impact of climate change and the future if we do nothing, learning about how we can protect our beautiful coastline for generations to come and how we can work hand in hand with nature to protect not only what's on land but what's in the water as well.

Zone 1: Virtual Reality and Flood Modelling

Activity: Virtual reality headsets and a screen were provided to allow the visualisation of what a flooded Eastbourne would look like if we did nothing. Flood maps were provided to see what would happen on a larger scale.

Zone 2: Future Career Pathways

Activity: Representatives from Environment Agency, Eastbourne Borough Council, JBA Consulting Environment And Engineering, VolkerStevin Civil Engineering And Construction, Pixel Mill Digital Creative Technology. They also provided us with information about work experience, apprenticeships and links with higher education.

Zone 3: Coastal Processes and Shortlist Options

Activity: Using wave tanks to show the effectiveness of different sea defences and also using a sand pit to show how using drones can give a far more precise way of analysing beaches for shingle placement.

Zone 4: Nature-Based Solutions and Climate Change

Activity: The wave tank and nature-based solution model explained how natural sea defences for example artificial reefs can increase flood defence, biodiversity and tourism it can also have a lower carbon footprint than concrete so is more climate friendly.

Overall this event was a great way to not only highlight current issues but to explore how to help resolve them.



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SECONDARY NEWS



D OF E TRAINING SESSION

We are currently working through training sessions with Bronze and Silver D of E students. This involves learning about campcraft, country code, map skills, camping food and putting up tents.

Year 9 (Bronze) put up tents in preparation for their expeditions next Year in March.





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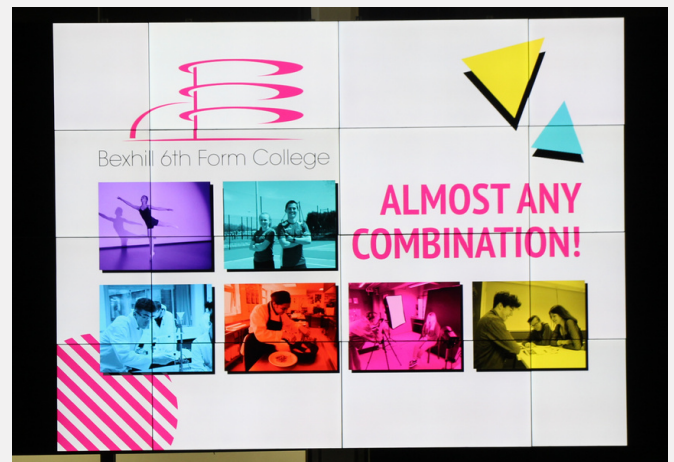
SECONDARY NEWS



BEXHILL COLLEGE VISIT

It's fantastic that Bexhill College visited our school this week to discuss their post-school options with our Year 11 students! We would like to thank them for providing valuable education on the different pathways our students can take.

We would also like to congratulate Ffion on being one of the 12 Winners of the Bexhill College Trivia Challenge.



Celebrate Christmas

Wednesday 6th December

Gildredge House Secondary and Sixth Form
Christmas Lunch £2.55

Roasted Turkey Breast, Sage & Onion Stuffing
Slice, Roast Potatoes, Carrots Peas & Sprouts
mix, Gluten Free Gravy

or

Vegetable, Lentil, Quorn Sausage Puff Pastry
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Dusted Chocolate Brownie

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SIXTH FORM



STUDENT FEEDBACK



One of the year 13 students has written this for the newsletter, to give an insight into their trip to Iceland

In October I was fortunate enough to be part of the Gildredge House field trip to Iceland. As a year 13 Geography A-Level student it was an extremely interesting place to visit. It was a pretty whirlwind, starting with a 4am alarm clock call on the first day and ending with a 2am alarm clock call on the last day! The highlights for me personally was climbing up the Solheimajokull Glacier with icepick and crampons, exploring the Raufarholshellir lava tunnel and of course, bathing in the iconic Blue Lagoon.

The recent volcanic events only serves to illustrate how lucky we were to be there at a time of stability and what a fantastically interesting geographical destination Iceland is. As interesting as this may be one should be mindful that this is home to over 350 thousand people whose families and livelihoods could be devastated by the current volcanic events in the country. It is very sad to think that the places we visited only a month ago are being evacuated. There have been nearly 800 earthquakes (at the time of writing this) on the Reykjanes peninsular, near the capital Reykjavik.

GILDREDGE HOUSE DRAMA PERFORMANCE

13TH DECEMBER AT 5PM



ROALD DAHL'S

THE

WITCHES

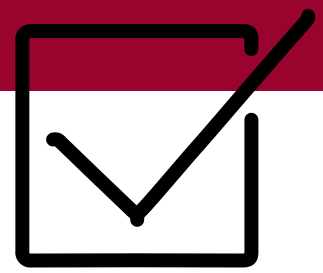
TICKET PRICES £3

Tickets can be purchased 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 20th November

Congratulations to:

Primary

Secondary

5A = **99%**

10H and 7R = **97.4%**

2A = **97.7%**

7B = **96.7%**

Top year group attendance this week is

PRIMARY YEAR 1

SECONDARY YEAR 7

Whole school attendance this week **94.1%**

ATTENDANCE



MATTERS



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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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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 two

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Meatballs with Fusilli Pasta & Tomato Herb Sauce	Oven Baked Cumberland Sausages	Minced Beef Pasta Bake topped with Cheesy Sauce	Chicken Korma Curry with creamed Coconut	Catch of the day - Breaded Fish - Gluten Free also available
Tomato Macaroni Cheese with Panko Crust (V)	Oven Baked Quorn Sausages (V)	Vegetable & Lentil Pasta Bake (V)	Sweet Potato, Spinach and Chickpea Curry (V)	Vegetable Bean Burger with Coleslaw (V)
Garlic Bread Slice	Mashed Potatoes	Vegetable Medley	Braised Rice	Chipped Potatoes
Steamed Garden Peas	Caramelised Onion Gravy		Mini Naan Bread	Peas
Jacket Potato with Baked Beans	Garlic Green Beans	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans	Fusilli Pasta with Basil Pesto	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise
Whipped Strawberry Mousse	Fusilli Pasta with Spiced Tomato Sauce	Lemon & Poppy Seed Shortbread	Fruit Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit Salad
	Cinnamon Apple Crumble			

Available daily

Saled Bar

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