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Parent Forum Update

Thank you to all the Mums, Dads and Carers who attended our Parent Forum on raising boys' achievement earlier this week.

Up to 30 people heard a very honest account of the ups and downs of parenthood from a Mum and discussion groups took place around presentations from Mr Beard and Mr Manthorpe. A parent support group is being set up and we will feedback the outcomes of the evening over the next few weeks. My thanks to everyone who came to such an important and interesting event.

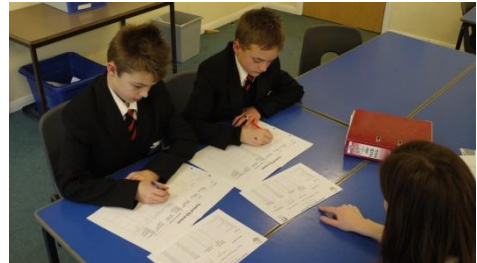
Dr S Bizley - Headteacher

Academic Tutoring Review

There has been a very positive initial review of the Wednesday afternoon registration academic tutoring sessions. Gosford Hill is now into the second year of this programme where students discuss their academic progress and set short term targets with their tutor in small groups. Link Sixth form students are attached to each form group to offer further advice and support.

The initial review has been to consult staff and students. Please contact me as I am very keen to gather parent/carer views in order to complete the development plan for 2012/2013. Thank you very much indeed.

Mr R Belmont - Assistant Headteacher (Student Support)



Year 10 and 11 Maths set changes

Congratulations to Year 11 and Year 10 on achieving excellent results in their November GCSE modular maths exams. 80% of Year 11 have now attained a grade C or above on the 60% of the course already examined. 68% of the Year 10 students on roll at the time of the Unit 1 exam (worth 27% of the overall GCSE) achieved grade C or better.

In the light of the results, we are currently making some adjustments to sets. If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Davys.

Mrs J Fairchild – Assistant Headteacher

GOSFORD'S TABLE TENNIS CLUB



Students from Year 9 and 10 enjoy the opportunity of playing table tennis on TUESDAYS AFTER SCHOOL IN THE SPORTS CENTRE'S ACTIVITY HALL.

The Club is run by Karl Bushell, Head Coach at The Forum Table Tennis Club, Kidlington.

New members are welcome.

GOSFORD HILL'S U16 GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM



Gosford Hill's U16 Girls football team are County Champions. They had two comfortable wins in their first matches against Bartholomew School and Henry Box School. In the semi final they beat Wood Green School three goals to two in a very close game. Just before Christmas they met Cheney School in the Final and won by one goal to nil. Many congratulations to Miss Rose and all the girls involved!!

GOSFORD HILL'S REPRESENTATIVES IN THE OXFORDSHIRE SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD AT RADLEY COLLEGE



FREDDIE DODSON, JOE FOXON AND JAKE MILBURN U20 BOYS;

WILL SMY, RORY HOSKING, KIERAN KILCOYNE, JAMES GROVES AND SIMON HAGUE U15 BOYS;

BETH HAWTIN U17 GIRLS; KIERA HOWARD, REBECCA HALLAM AND EMILY YOUNG U15 GIRLS



MANY CONGRATULATIONS TO BETH HAWTIN FOR WINNING THE U17 GIRLS' COMPETITION. SHE WILL GO FORWARD TO THE ALL ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS IN SOMERSET IN MARCH



Mrs P Selby – School Sports Co-ordinator