



Theme of the Week
"Celebrations infuse life with passion and purpose", Terrence E. Deal

Looking Ahead

Year 9 Parents' Evening
Wednesday 18th December

Last day of term, pupils will finish early at 12:15 on Friday 20th December

All pupils & students return to school on Monday 6th January 2025

Bar Mock Trial Regional Heat Winners

On Saturday 7th December, 15 Year 10 and 11 pupils went to the University of Hertfordshire to take part in the Bar Mock Trial Regional Heats. They played the roles of barristers, witnesses, court clerk, usher, and jurors to recreate two different Crown Court trials. They prosecuted then defended three rounds and received glowing feedback from the judges. They showed outstanding understanding of the legal points of each case, stellar public speaking skills, and an impressive ability to think on their feet during tricky cross-examinations. Their performance earned them first place in the Regionals and a chance to participate in the National Finals in March.

The pupils are delighted with this result and very excited to tackle the next challenge of the Finals. Congratulations to them on this amazing win and good luck for the Nationals!



Under 12, Under 14, & Under 16 Girls Football Kit Sponsor



As the girls football teams wrapped up a highly successful season last year, their achievements led to an exciting new partnership. We are thrilled to announce that GAP Group Hire Solutions has become our sponsor, providing the necessary funding for each team to receive brand-new football kits.

The teams have already started this season on a high note, and with their new kits, they are ready to continue their impressive performances in style!

Dungeons & Dragons Club

After last year's successful event at the British Library, Glenthorpe's Dungeons and Dragons Club has been asked back for a second year. The club will create a D&D adventure for neurodivergent youth around the British Library's "Medieval Women" Exhibit which sheds a light on the life of Joan of Arc and hundreds more. This unique event will be held in February, congratulations to the team on this partnership!





Year 7 Theatre Trip!

On Tuesday 10th December, our year 7 pupils had the fantastic opportunity to attend the theatrical production of 'Odd and the Frost Giants' at Unicorn Theatre, London Bridge. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and particularly enjoyed the professional acting and impressive set design at the theatre. It was fantastic to see all of our year 7 pupils show their appreciation for the performers at the end of the show. The behaviour of our pupils traveling to and from the theatre also deserves recognition. Every pupil was extremely well behaved and represented Glenthorne High School impeccably. Pupils will now be writing a theatre evaluation about the production in their drama lessons. This will develop their analysis skills and develop further use of drama specific language. If your child enjoyed the show and wants to get involved in Drama clubs or activities at Glenthorne, please ensure they speak to their drama teacher or form tutor so they can develop their passion for the stage! They could also attend a 'free trial' of Arts One Drama School in January, between 11.30-1.30pm in PDH with an external practitioner. Well done again to all Year 7 pupils.



Dance Department



What an amazing and busy term we have had in GHS dance over the past few weeks! Since the start of Autumn Term 2, the dance department has been beginning to prepare dances for Impact, which is our big dance showcase of the year. Preparation has been taking place in Jazz, Contemporary and Street club, Phase 8, Performance Group, Rambert and BDI. Over the last few weeks, the dance department have been privileged to have many fantastic workshops with performers who are working in the industry. This has inspired our pupils and enhanced their creativity.

Overall, it has been an exciting first half term and we look forward to what the new year brings!

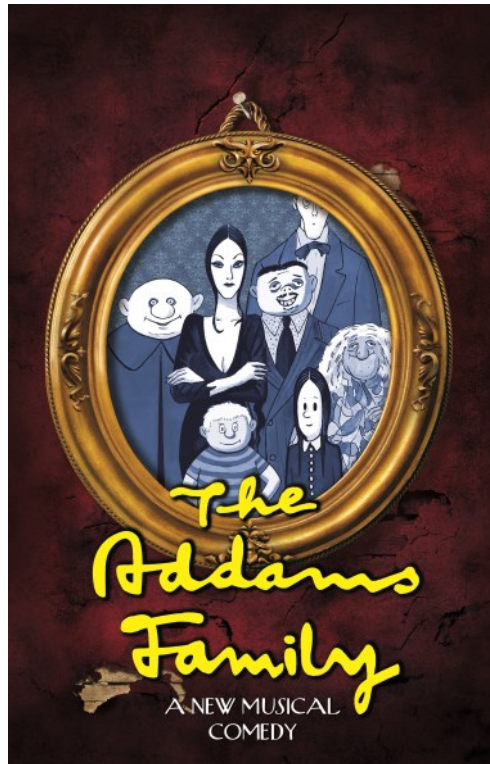


Sporting Results

Year Group	Sport	Opponent	Result
Yr7 Girls	Netball	Carshalton Girls	Won 12 - 1
Yr8 Girls	Netball	Carshalton Gils	Won 15 - 0
Yr9 Girls	Netball	Carshalton Gils	Won 15 - 0
Yr9 Gils	Netball	Greenshaw	Won 9 - 2
Yr9 Girls	Netball	Oaks Park	Won 14 - 3
Yr10 Gils	Netball	Carshalton Girls	Won 30 - 0
Yr10 Girls	Netball	Greenshaw	Won 16 - 9
Yr10 Girls	Netball	Oaks Park	Won 11-17
U14 Girls	Football	Nonsuch	Won 6 - 0



Whole School Production



Firstly, from Miss Horwood, the Director:

What a term of the Addams Family... AMAZING! This is my first time directing a performance and I could not have worked with more talented pupils.

Last week we had the much-anticipated bake sale and poster reveal of our Whole School Production, The Addams Family. Many pupils and staff contributed cakes and spooky treats, which resulted in a long line of eager buyers. A special thank you to all the staff and pupils with all their hard work for the production so far. This is set to be Glenthorne's "Kookiest" Production yet!

From Caleb, a Cast member in the production:

I have had the best term being a part of the production. I successfully secured the role of a "Little Lead". I am involved in the ensemble and get to sing and dance in the production. During rehearsals, we have now finished Act 1 and Act 2! It has been such an amazing experience to be a part of this production- I am especially excited to perform alongside our Gomez!

Lastly, Billy, The Stage Manager:

My role involves attending rehearsals to start developing initial ideas for technical and design elements of the show and then playing a part in making those initial ideas happen. I am also leading the Technical Theatre Club, developing new pupil technicians to be able to work effectively in the lead up to and during the shows. My favourite part of my

role is the flexibility it brings, as well as the trust that the staff place in me to carry out my role. I enjoy attending rehearsals and seeing the progression of the performance as the staff and pupils come together to discuss and share ideas in an open forum. This is my last production, having worked on every production since Year 7 and I am looking forward to seeing how our initial ideas transform into the final production taking place in the January.





Christmas Donations Appeal 2024

This year we are running again our Christmas donations for the Trussell Trust, a charity that supports a network of food banks and we are asking for donations. Please can pupils bring their donations in a **bag for life** on the morning of Tuesday 17th December.

Your child's tutor will collect all the donations in the morning registration of **Tuesday 17th December**.

Listed below are just some of the items suggested:-

- Canned tuna
- Canned curry
- Canned stew
- Canned peas
- Canned carrots
- Canned green beans
- Cookies
- Pasta sauce
- Canned tomatoes
- Rice
- Oatmeal
- Dry cereal (Shreddies, Rice Krispies, Cornflakes etc)
- Canned tomato soup
- Canned vegetable soup
- Canned mushroom soup
- Chocolate spread
- Jam
- Chocolate bars
- Shower gel
- Granola bars
- Shampoo
- Laundry soap powder

Here is the list of items they specifically need at the moment:

- Long Life Orange Juice
- Spaghetti Hoops
- Tinned Custard
- Instant Mashed Potato
- Coffee (small jars)
- Festive Treats (non alcoholic)

Thank you to all parents and carers who have previously generously given to this amazing cause - We are hoping that this year we can manage to fill an entire van!





Art Display in our Hub



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A future
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ARUP

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Apprenticeship Level 3-7 Virtual Careers Event

Dedicated to sustainable development, Arup is a collective of designers, consultants and experts working globally to providing a range of professional services to clients around the world. Recruiting for apprentices every year, now is your opportunity to build a future with purpose.

Arup invites you to a virtual event on Wednesday 18th December 2024 to learn more about our Apprenticeship opportunities.

You will hear more about Arup, learn from inspiring Apprentices across the business, and our Early Careers team will be on hand to give guidance on applications and hints and tips on beginning a career with us. This event is aimed at candidates and parents/guardians of anybody who is interested in applying for a Level 3-7 apprenticeship position at Arup and will cover a selection of our opportunities including:

Civil engineering / Geotechnics / Bridges & Civil Structures / Electrical Building Services / Rail Engineering / Railway engineering design technician / Structural Engineering / Mechanical Building Services / Public Health and Plumbing Engineering / Information communication technician / Civil Engineering Technician / Building Services Engineering technician.

Date: Wednesday 18th December 2024
Start Time: 5:30 PM
End Time: 7:00 PM
Location: Online Event

Register for this event:



**ELITE COLLEGE
PROGRAMME TRIAL DAY**

**SATURDAY,
FEBRUARY 8TH**

TRAINING
ALONGSIDE CAT 3
ACADEMY SCHOLARS

BTEC LEVEL 3 IN
SPORTS & A LEVELS

UEFA A COACHES

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INVITE ONLY - PLEASE REGISTER FOR YOUR CHANCE
TO BE INVITED TO OUR UPCOMING TRIALS

Live Webinars

Using the levels of apprenticeships to progress your career
9th December 2024, 3:30pm

Join us on Monday 9th December at 3:30 for the latest ASK webinar, 'Using the levels of apprenticeships to progress your career'. In this session, we will be sharing information about apprenticeship levels and how joining an organisation to do one level of apprenticeship could lead to another level apprenticeship later on!

We will be joined by **Claudia Rock, Apprenticeship and Careers Service Manager** at Parliament to tell us about their wide range of apprenticeships, and four Parliament apprentices, all of whom have done more than one apprenticeship, for example a level 3 and then a level 6. This webinar will be great for those who want to get going with their career and progress as they work.

[Please use this link](#)

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The Willow Menu for w/c 13th December



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WEEK 3
WEEK COMMENCING 15/04/2024 06/05/2024 27/05/2024 17/06/2024 08/07/2024
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VE - Vegan

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CLASSIC HOT & HEARTY

CLASSIC MAIN MEALS	VEGETARIAN MAIN MEALS
MONDAY Mozambique Piri Piri Chicken, Fragrant Rice & Crunchy Slaw	MONDAY Harissa Roasted Sweet Potato & Chickpea Tagine (VE)
TUESDAY Chicken Makhani Curry with Braised Pilau Rice	TUESDAY Sri Lankan Split Pea & Cauliflower Curry with Pilau Rice (VE)
WEDNESDAY Roast Salt & Pepper Chicken or Roast Shoulder of Pork, Crisp Roasties, Seasonal Veg & House Gravy	WEDNESDAY Sweet Potato & Goats Cheese Tart with Seasonal Veg or House Salad (V)
THURSDAY Szechuan Beef Noodles with Sesame Stir Fried Greens	THURSDAY Asian Vegetable, Soya Bean & Noodle Stir Fry (VE)
FRIDAY Chip Shop 'Fryday', Fish, Pizza or Fishcake with Chips, Peas & Tartare Sauce	FRIDAY Vegan Falafel Kofta with Crunchy Sriracha Slaw, Chips & Peas (VE)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chinese Style Vegan Noodles (VE)	Chipotle Chicken Chimichanga	Loaded Mediterranean Street Cart Wedges	Thai Fried Rice	Manager's Special

NATURALLY

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Fork Friendly Falafel Kebab (V)	Smoked Tofu & Capanata Burger (V)	Seeded Vegan Sausage Roll (VE)	Onion Bhaji Skewer with Bombay Potatoes (VE)	Manager's Special

DESSERTS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pineapple Upside Down Cake	Warm Blueberry Sponge	Dropped Pancake Bar	Apple & Mixed Berry Crumble with Vanilla Sauce	Manager's Special

FRUIT & YOGHURT POTS AVAILABLE DAILY

HOMEMADE SOUP & FRESHLY BAKED BREAD Available Daily

JACKET POTATOES Topped with a Choice of: Cheese, Tuna or Beans Available Daily

TRATTORIA

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Tomato & Basil Pasta	Creamy Pesto Pasta	Mozzarella & Tomato Pizza Or Pepperoni Pizza	Pasta in Cheese Sauce	Mozzarella & Tomato Pizza Or BBQ Chicken Pizza

Our Vegetarian and Vegan recipes are approved by the Vegetarian Society.

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