



Tremendous results from our first fully IB cohort!

Congratulations to Year 13 IB students for an historic success!

Nearly double the size of any IB cohort in BGS history, 195 students have been celebrating their results since their publication online on Saturday. I am so proud.

Corinna Dunzendorfer achieved the perfect 45 points alongside only 200 or so students worldwide! Lucy Sargent dropped only one point to gain 44 points, still achieving the maximum 7 points in all 6 of her subjects. Madi Baiguzhayev, Samuel Masters and Helen Norman all achieved 43 points. The list of celebrations is too long to publish...

18 students gained 40 points or more and 19%, nearly one in five students, gained 38 points or more, a typical Oxford University offer. Perhaps even more pleasing, the value-added measure across the whole cohort (the progress from their GCSE starting points at the beginning of Year 12) is the highest of the past 3 years when cohorts were half the size or smaller.

Receiving results so early in the summer is a distinct advantage. Many students secured their first choices immediately and this week, UCAS has been confirming places so that by the end of this week the vast majority, probably close to 90% of those students in the UCAS system will have been accepted into a university of their choice. And this, 5 weeks before A level results are published!

I am delighted for our students, their teachers, their families, indeed for the whole BGS community which celebrates these strong outcomes from the world-class education they have enjoyed. It is remarkable that the *average* achievement in UCAS points (185 points) of our 195 students exceeds the equivalent of 3 A* grades at A level.

The summer is now theirs to enjoy, secure in the Knowledge that they will be studying at some of the most prestigious universities in the world this autumn. We are proud to see such a successful group of young men and women flourish; they have set the bar high for future cohorts.

Mr Elphick
Headteacher



YOUNG Mi MINDS

NON-UNIFORM DAY

Thank you!

*To date, with your help we have raised
more than £727.00 for Young Minds
during the Non-uniform Day, on 21st June.*

*If you haven't had a chance to pay
yet, there is still time to bring your
donation to the Finance Office.*

Advice for parents and pupils from Mr Gilmore

Safeguarding Notice

The Success in Schools safeguarding expert Andrew Hall has pointed to a piece of government guidance for parents and carers regarding the safeguarding of children in summer camps, activity days and child care settings. This voluntary safeguarding code has not been published though a draft document is available and suggests that parents ask questions such as:

- ◆ Have staff and volunteers undertaken DBS checks? How recent were the checks?
- ◆ Will any adults besides the instructor be present at the venue while my child is there? If so, will they be there on a regular basis?
- ◆ What training have staff had?
- ◆ May I have a copy of your child protection policy?
- ◆ Who is your designated safeguarding lead (DSL) and what training have they had? How recent was this training?
- ◆ My child has Special Educational Needs and / or a disability (SEND). What steps will you take to accommodate this?
- ◆ My child needs help with: using the toilet; changing; feeding; their medication, etc. How will these personal care needs be addressed?
- ◆ How are you securely storing the information you hold on my child? Who has access to it and are you giving it to anyone else?
- ◆ Is my child allowed to access the internet unsupervised?
- ◆ Do you have filtering and monitoring systems in place? What are they?

In addition to the questions to ask, the draft guidance for parents sets out some 'red flags' that the might prompt parents to send their children to a 'different setting'. The red flags are:

- ◆ Staff are not DBS checked
- ◆ No child protection policy
- ◆ Signs of abuse on other children who attend the setting, for example, unexplained bruises
- ◆ Provider unable to name a designated safeguarding lead
- ◆ The designated safeguarding lead has not had relevant training
- ◆ If the OOSS allows children access to the internet, no filtering or monitoring systems in place
- ◆ Dangerous physical environment e.g. loose wires, damp, no fire escape, no first aid kit
- ◆ No designated first aider
- ◆ No parental consent form or requirement for emergency contact details
- ◆ Other adults coming into the out-of-school setting who are not staff members / a lack of clarity on the roles of different adults in the setting
- ◆ No health and safety policy
- ◆ No fire escape plan

MILLENNIUM CLUB WINNERS

May Winners

1st Prize - Number 26 - Morenike Weinand

2nd Prize - Number 46 - Sarah Wilson

July Winners

1st Prize - Number 10 - Tom Headon

2nd Prize - Number 94 - Sandrine Abbate

3rd Prize - Swim Voucher - Number 46

- Sarah Wilson

June Winners

1st Prize - Number 24 - Irina Morozova

2nd Prize - Number 36 - Claire Keepax

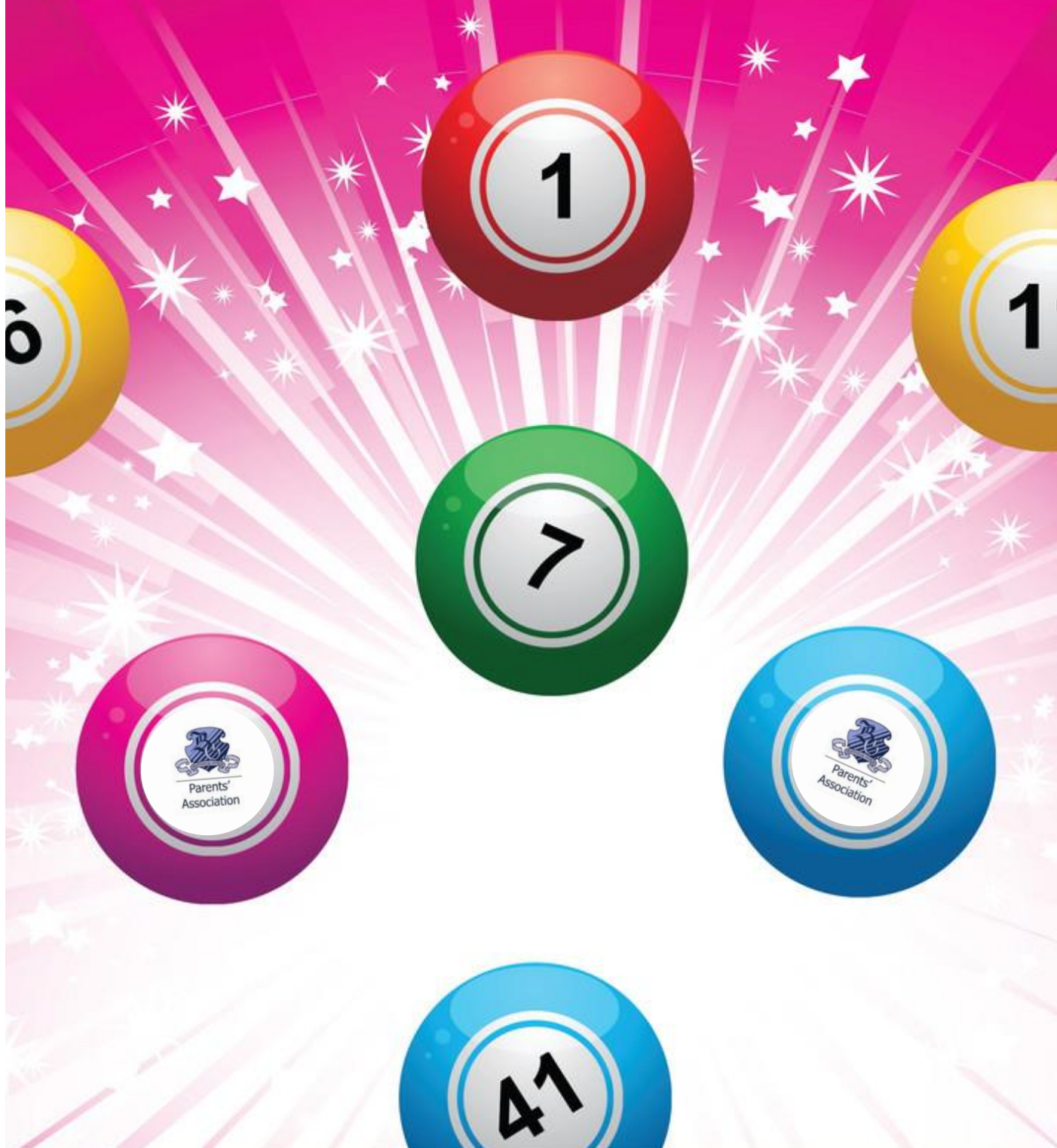
August Winners

1st Prize - Number 106 - Dawn Sims

2nd Prize - Number 17 - Debbie Jenkins

3rd Prize - Watersports Voucher - Number 14

- Faridah Omar-Ali





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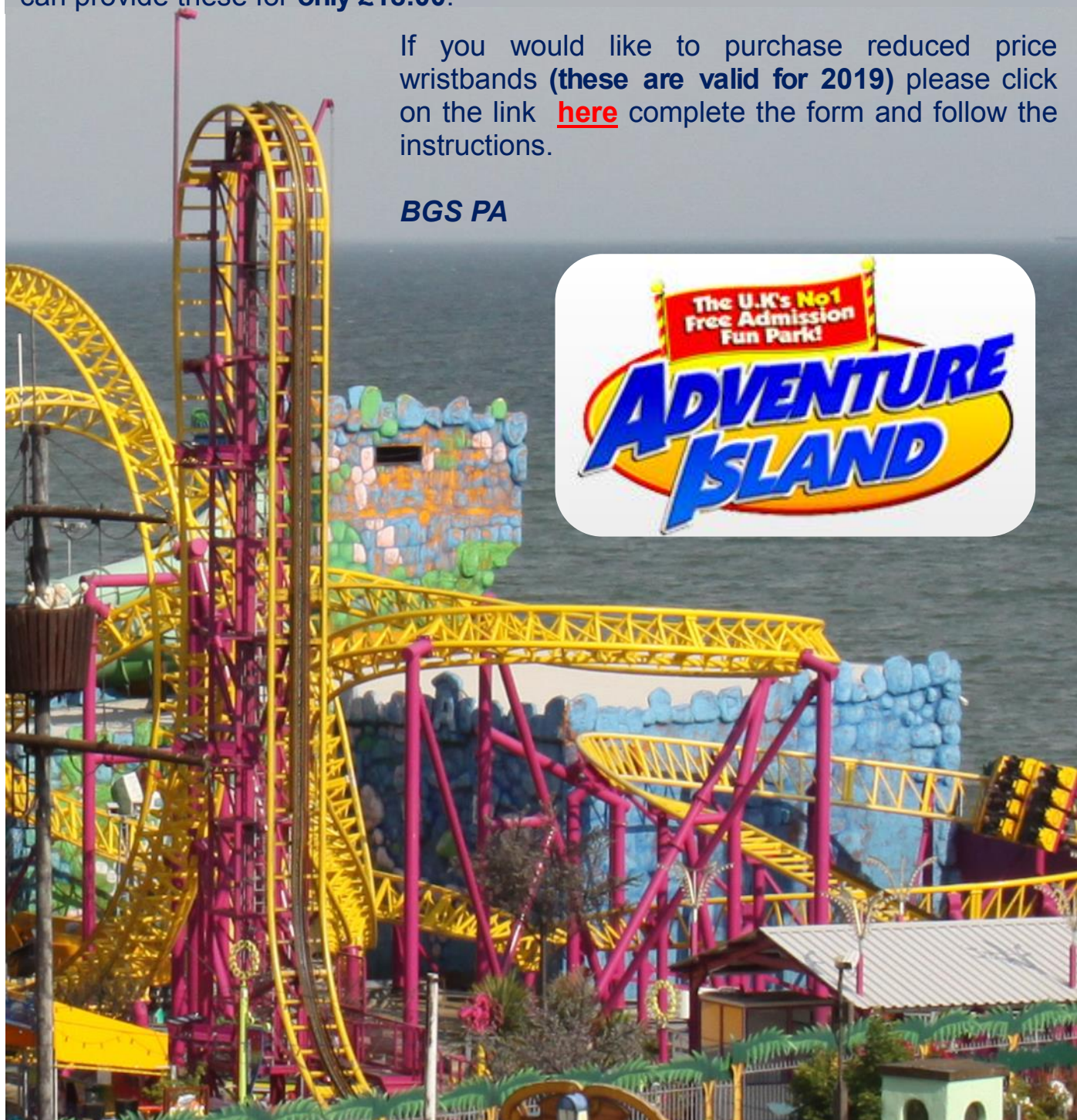
BGS Parents' Association (BGSPA) has yet again been able to secure reduced price ride wristbands for Adventure Island, Southend. Adventure Island is a great day out for all the family, with a wide choice of rides for all ages. Check it out at: www.adventureisland.co.uk.

Although entry is free, purchase of a wristband is required for unlimited use of all suitable rides. Once purchased, a wristband can be used on any one day in 2019 that Adventure Island is open.

For anyone who is over 1.2 metres tall, a wristband would cost £22.50 if purchased online (£32 if purchased at the ticket office on the day). The PA can provide these for **only £18.00**.

If you would like to purchase reduced price wristbands (**these are valid for 2019**) please click on the link [here](#) complete the form and follow the instructions.

BGS PA



Forthcoming Events

July

Monday 15th Week B

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Speech Day ~ early finish

Year 7 - 12 students dismissed at 2.15pm

Friday 19th

Last School Day for all students ~ early finish dismissal at 12.15pm

All students must be off site by 12.45pm

Monday 24th

Inset Day School closed to students

Tuesday 25th

Inset Day School closed to students

August

Thursday 22nd

GCSE Results day 2019 from 9.30am until 11am

September

Monday 2nd

Inset Day School closed to students

Tuesday 3rd Week A

Tuesday 3rd

First day of autumn term at 8.30am, for students in YEARS 7 & 12 ONLY

Wednesday 4th

All students return to school at 8.30am

Tuesday 10th

Inset Day School closed to students