



Activities Week 2024

Monday 8th July - Thursday 11th July

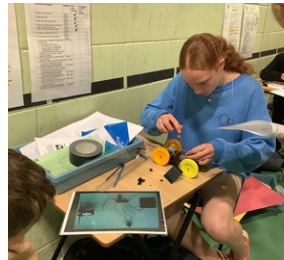
Friday 12th July is House and Sports Day



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Welcome

I am delighted to announce the launch of our next annual Cheltenham Bournside Activities Week taking place from Monday 8th to Thursday 11th July. House and Sports Day will take place on Friday 12th July (further information to follow). It will be another ambitious timetable, offering four days of exciting trips and opportunities for all of our students from Years 7-10 and 12.

Activities Week will offer valuable educational experiences which can't be delivered during the traditional school day. I know that students will return with stories to tell, increased self-confidence, greater motivation to learn new skills, new friendships and a sense of pride and achievement.

Thank you to all of the teaching and support staff involved in the planning and delivery of these opportunities. It is a huge responsibility to take students off site and to return them safely, especially on a residential trip but we know the value of these experiences and how much the students look forward to, and benefit from them.

Mr Jefferies, Headteacher



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Key dates:

Activities Week launch	November, 2023
Activity choice booking (Non-refundable deposit deadline)	Friday 1st December, 2023
Confirmation of allocated places	March, 2024
Final payment deadline	Tuesday 2nd April, 2024
Activities Week Sport/House Day	Monday 8th July - Thursday 11th July Friday 12th July

Important: All information correct at the time of going to print. For the latest up-to-date information, please visit the Activities Week page of the website. For information and booking conditions please see page 11.



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Year 7 Activities Week timetable

Year 7	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur
A / F / H students	Enrichment: Legoland	STEM day	Enrichment: Warwick Castle	Activity Choice 
O / P / R students	Enrichment: Warwick Castle		Activity Choice 	Enrichment: Legoland
Lille, France	Year 7 MFL trip to Lille (Monday - Thursday)			

Legoland Windsor - Science of Rollercoasters



A Design & Technology led trip to Legoland Windsor with links to Science. Students will attend a hands-on 'Science of Rollercoasters' workshop, where they'll discover and investigate how gravity, friction and weight can affect the speed and distance of Rollercoasters. Pupils will work in groups to design and build their own LEGO model rollercoaster with LEGO Technic.

Students will also get the opportunity to enjoy free time at Legoland Windsor to explore the park and to enjoy the rides.

Cost: £31

Warwick Castle



There is so much to see and do at Warwick Castle! Developed from a wooden fort, originally built by William the Conqueror during 1068, Warwick Castle played its part in the Hundred Years War, the War of the Roses and the English Civil War. We will be watching the Trebuchet and Birds of Prey shows and visiting the Madame Tussauds waxworks of historical characters.

This History led trip will help our students to understand how people lived their lives in the medieval, Tudor and Stuart periods and how warfare changed over time. This links specifically to work we will cover at the end of Year 7 and the start of Year 8.

Cost: £27

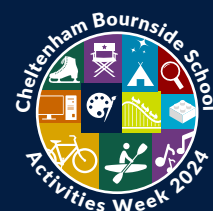
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Year 8 Activities Week timetable

Year 8	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur
A / F / H students	STEM day	Activity Choice 	Activity Choice 	Enrichment: Black Country Museum
O / P / R students	Enrichment: Black Country Museum	STEM day	Activity Choice 	Activity Choice 
Ardèche	Year 8/10/12 Ardèche Trip			

Black Country Museum



A history-led trip to see 300 years of history brought to life as students discover the story of the Black Country at the open-air living museum in Dudley. Students will meet historic characters who will show what it was like to live and work in one of the first industrialised landscapes in Britain as they explore 26 acres of reconstructed shops, pubs and houses.

The day will include a lesson in a Victorian School, exploring a mine and visiting a 19th Century sweet shop. This links specifically to work we will cover on the Victorian and Edwardian Periods at the end of Year 8 and the start of Year 9.

Cost: £24

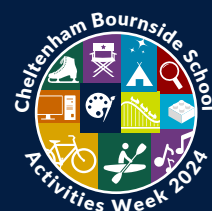
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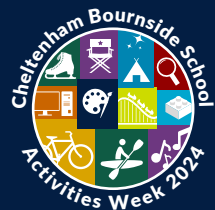
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Year 9 Activities Week timetable

Year 9	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur
Camp pupils	Year 9 Camp (Sunday to Thursday)			
Non camp pupils	Activity Choice 	Activity Choice 	Enterprise Activity: Cheltenham Racecourse	Curriculum Day

Activity Choice  See pages 8 and 9



Year 10 Activities Week timetable

Year 10	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur
Year 10 Work Experience		Work experience		
A / F / H students	Curriculum Day	Activity Choice 	Employability Workshops	Activity Choice 
O / P / R students	Activity Choice 	Activity Choice 	Curriculum Day	Employability Workshops
Geography Field Trip 1 10C/GE1 10A/GE2	Activity Choice 	Activity Choice 	Geography Field Trip 1	Employability Workshops
Geography Field Trip 2 10A/GE1 10B/GE1 10D/GE1	Activity Choice 	Activity Choice 	Employability Workshops	Geography Field Trip 2
Ardèche	Year 8/10/12 Ardèche Trip			





A note on Year 10 Work Experience: Year 10 students can only choose an Activity Choice on Tuesday 9th July if they take part in a week of work experience in April (please see previous letter).

A note on the Geography Field Trips: GCSE Geography Classes have been told which Geography Field trip they should attend.

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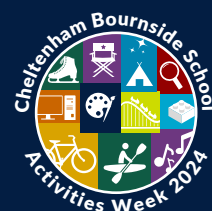


Year 12 Activities Week timetable

Year 12	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur
Work experience	Work Experience (+ Friday)			
Activity Choices	Activity Choice 	Activity Choice 	Activity Choice 	Activity Choice 
Ardèche	Year 8/10/12 Ardèche Trip			
Gold DofE	Gold DofE Expedition - French Alps			

A note on Year 12 experience: All Year 12 students should carry out five days of work experience related to their future goals. Students are able to use the five days of Activities Week (including Friday's House and Sports Day) to complete their work experience. Alternatively, if they would like to take part in one or more of the Activity Choice days, students are able to complete their work experience during their own time in the summer holidays.

Activity Choice  See pages 8 and 9





Activity Choices



270 Climbing



Hollywood Bowl



London - China Town



Croft Farm



Drayton Manor



Planet Ice and Shopping

Lido



The Wave





Activity Choices

270 Climbing	A 4-hour session at the 270 Climbing Park, one of Europe's highest and the UK's most exciting and challenging ropes course. Including two hours on the high ropes course, 45 minutes of tower activities and 45 minutes on the mobile climbing wall. It's time for adventure!	£31
Bowling	Some think it's luck, others think it's skill, either way, join your friends for a game of bowling at Hollywood Bowl in the Brewery with its state-of-the-art bowling lanes. We'll be walking from school.	£7.50
London - China Town	A day in London experiencing Chinatown, including an authentic Chinese lunch and cultural scavenger hunt around Chinatown. We will also visit the Goethe Institute for cultural immersion beyond the German classroom.	£46
Croft Farm Waterpark	Kayaking, stand-up paddle boarding, water zorbing and giant pedal boat races; join us for a fun day of water sports activities and challenges at Croft Farm, near Tewkesbury.	£47
Drayton Manor	Explore over 50 rides with friends at Drayton Manor Resort plus a 15-acre Zoo. Thrill rides include Stormforce 10, Thor, Maelstrom, Air Race and the Bounty Pirate Ship.	£42
Planet Ice Skating and Cribbs Causeway	It doesn't matter if you can already whizz around the ice, or if you've never set foot on the ice, all abilities are welcome to come and give ice-skating a go at Planet Ice! Students choosing this activity will start the day with shopping and the option of buying lunch at The Mall at Cribbs Causeway, before ice skating and then returning back to school.	£15
Lido	The Sandford Lido was built in 1935 and is one of 98 remaining lidos in the UK. Loved by many Bournside families, students are invited to join us for an Activities Choice trip to enjoy the popular outdoor pool with their friends. We will walk or cycle together from the school and enjoy a day of poolside fun in the fresh air.	£7.50
The Wave	The Wave is an inland surf destination near Bristol offering the ultimate surfing experience. Led by experienced wavemaker coaches, students will take part in a 1.5-hour lesson which is a mixture of lakeside training and in-wave action, learning about water safety, surf equipment, body positioning and how to surf. Note: Students must be able to swim 25metres.	£63

Activities Week Residential Trips



For information only: Letters for all Residential Trips have been sent separately and will have different payment schedules.

<p>Year 7 - Trip to Lille (Monday - Thursday)</p>	<p>A new Year 7 trip to Lille, experience French culture and activities, visit a local market and the Palais de Beaux Arts. Visit a local bakery, enjoy time in Lille and take part in exciting group opportunities including bowling.</p>	<p>£575</p>
<p>Year 9 Camp (Sunday - Thursday)</p>	<p>Year 9 will once again be able to return to our wonderful Year 9 Camp to the Mendip Activity Centre.</p> <p>Students will be able to enjoy outdoor activities including Archery Active, Mission Impossible, Axe Throwing, Rock Climbing and Water Sports as well as planned evening activities.</p>	<p>£395</p>
<p>Year 10/12 Ardèche Trip (Friday - Friday)</p>	<p>Our popular outdoor activities trip to Ardèche, France, is back for Activities Week 2024. Students are based in a camp nestled amongst the trees on the banks of two rivers near the traditional town of Ruoms. Offering beautiful views, the large, private camp boasts an on-site swimming pool, a beach, cafe/ bar, volleyball areas, games room, shop. It is ideally located for adventure with amazing activity sites located onsite or within walking distance. The highlight for many is the two-day canoe descent of the Ardèche River Gorge including an overnight stay. Students will also enjoy climbing as well as activities including raft building, high ropes, kayaking and archery and visiting Ruoms market.</p>	<p>£980</p>
<p>Gold Duke of Edinburgh</p>	<p>Gold Duke of Edinburgh students will be travelling to Bourg Sainte Maurice in the French Alps to complete their final assessed expedition.</p>	<p>£1200</p>



Information and booking conditions

- All students must select two or three Activity Choices (depending on Year group). Choices can be made by making a £10 deposit per activity. Payment must be made via the MCAS app via under the Trips tab (select available).
- In the event of an activity being oversubscribed, there is an opportunity to join a waiting list. The deadline for making a deposit payment (per activity) is Fri 1st Dec, 2023.
- Whilst every effort has been made to give as accurate a description of the proposed activities as possible, some of the venues are not currently able to take bookings so far in advance. Therefore, we may need to change the provider/venue if they are unable to provide what we require. We will make every effort to book an alternative as near as possible to the original offer.
- Pupils who do not sign up for any trips or activities by Fri 1st Dec, 2023 will be allocated school-based activities that explore different areas of the curriculum. We would like all students to select fun Activity Choices as a first priority. This year, our in-school provision is completing work and other activities so students must pick an Activity Choice to ensure they have the best, fun-filled week possible! We have considered the price of our Activity Choices to provide a range of affordable options. There is financial support of £30 per student for Pupil Premium students only.
- Information regarding the financial assistance available has been sent directly to pupils who are eligible for Pupil Premium Funding. Unfortunately, financial assistance will not be available to any other pupils.
- Most activities require a minimum number of pupils to run. In the event of an activity not receiving enough applications, the activity will be withdrawn. Parents/Carers will be notified and students will be asked to choose an alternative activity.
- We have tried to cost activities as accurately as possible, however many are dependent on numbers so costs may vary slightly. When places are assigned, the final cost will be confirmed. Should the final cost exceed the amount advertised by more than £10, parents/carers will be contacted to discuss the option of meeting the increased cost or swapping to an alternative activity.
- An initial deposit of £10 per trip is required for all Activity Choices and educational visits. Initial deposits must be paid via MyChildatSchool (MCAS) by Friday 1st December 2023*. *this does not include the residential trips.
- CANCELLATION: All deposits are non-refundable. If you cancel your child's place on an assigned activity, the school will not refund any further monies paid, unless the circumstances are exceptional, or the school can fill the place with another pupil. Request for the refund of payments for an activity should be made in writing to Mr Kelly at activitiesweek@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk, accompanied by supporting documents (e.g. a doctor's certificate).
- Once places have been confirmed it will not be possible for pupils to swap activities unless there are exceptional circumstances. Any requests to swap activities must be made via email to activitiesweek@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk.
- All activities must be paid in full via MyChildatSchool (MCAS) by Tuesday 2nd April, 2024. If full payment has not been made by this date, your child's place will be withdrawn without refund of monies paid. This payment deadline is separate for extended residentials - Y9 Camp, Y8/Y10/Y12 Ardeche, Y7 Lille, Y12 DofE France.