



## Diary dates

### Wednesday 9th February

Year 8 boys and girls HPV vaccinations  
- electronic consent form [here](#)

### Wednesday 9th February

Year 9-13 virtual careers fair

### Thursday 10th February

Year 9 parent/teacher consultations -  
letter [here](#)

### Friday 18th February

Last day of term

### Monday 7th March

First and second dose of COVID  
vaccinations

### 10th, 11th, 12th March

School production (evening)

## Student success

### Bournside girls' rugby team host and play first ever competitive game



History was made last week when our U13s girls' rugby team, 'The Bruisers', played in their first-ever competitive fixture following two terms of training. Coach, Miss Goddard, said "This has been an ambition at the school for some time and it was a very proud moment for the PE department. It was an incredibly competitive and entertaining fixture - well done to all of the girls involved!" - read more [here](#)

### 'End of an Era' competition winner



Congratulations to Ollie Burridge, Year 8, Frank House, who was awarded first place in the 2022 Cheltenham Education Partnership Photography Competition. Students were challenged to submit entries relating to the 'End of an Era'. Ollie's photograph of a disused tractor was selected as the winning image by judges from the University of Gloucestershire from over 70 entries from 12 partnership schools.

"What a fabulous achievement! Ollie is a tremendously hardworking student and it is so nice to see his talent recognised. I was absolutely delighted to celebrate his success with the whole of Frank House in our assembly on Wednesday." - Mr Crowford.

## House points

Congratulations to Parks who remain top of the leaderboard this week!

Park



Frank



Hawking



Attenborough



Owen



Rowling



## School updates



### Sixth form applications open

Following our [Sixth Form open evening](#) at the end of last week, we're pleased to now open Sixth Form applications for September 2022. With six new courses and 37 A level and vocational courses to choose from, students have more choice than ever. To apply, please complete our [online application form](#) by Friday 25th February.

### GCSE option choices

As a reminder from the previous bulletin, 1:1 interviews are still underway with year 9 students to talk through their GCSE options with members of staff. Next week (on Monday 7th February) there will be talks during tutor time surrounding both Business and Media studies. If you have any questions about the process, please contact Miss Hanley via email [kjh@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:kjh@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk)

### Lost property

We strongly encourage that all personal belongings and items of school uniform are named, to enable lost items handed in to Reception or the PE Department to be returned. We do this regularly during tutor time. The Parent Forum have suggested that any unnamed lost property is made available to parents at the end of term to identify/claim. Look out for an update on these arrangements.

### Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat

Tickets are still available for the school production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat. The cast and crew have been working hard to provide what promises to be a spectacular rendition of the well-known musical Joseph.

Due to licensing restrictions we are only allowed to perform the musical for three evenings (10th, 11th and 12th March) and so admission is by ticket only. Tickets will be distributed on a first come, first served basis. Prices will be £7 for adults and £6 for students and concessions. If you would like to come along to this event, payments are to be made via the School Gateway app on your smartphone, or by using the website at [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com) if you do not have a smartphone. If you have difficulties logging in, please contact IT Services at the school via email [itservices@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:itservices@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk)

We look forward to seeing you at this event.

## Sports fixtures



Tuesday 8th February	U13 <b>Football</b> V Tewks (A)
Wednesday 7th February	U18 <b>Football</b> V All Saints (A) U18 <b>Netball</b> V Pates (H) U16 & U14 <b>Football</b> V Cleeve (H) U13 A & B <b>Netball</b> V St Eds (H)
Thursday 10th February	U12 A,B & C <b>Rugby</b> V Crypt (H)
Friday 11th February	U15 <b>Netball</b> V Malvern St James (H)

## Useful links

[Careers newsletter](#)  
[What's for lunch?](#)  
[School Calendar](#)  
[Extra-curricular timetable](#)

## Community notices

### Volunteers needed

Volunteers needed to become a school admission appeal panel member. Please see flyer [here](#) for further information.

### Free event

Train To Teach - Gloucestershire Event will be held at Pate's Grammar School, Cheltenham. 4.30pm to 7pm on 27th January 2022. Please see flyer [here](#) for further information.

## COVID-19 update

### COVID 19 – 12-15 year old vaccination programme 2022

The NHS vaccination team will be visiting the school on Monday 7th March to administer a second dose of the vaccine to eligible students (aged 12 and above) and offer first vaccinations to those wanting to take up the offer. A further date in March will be offered for any students unavailable on this day. Alternatively, information regarding walk-in sites can be found [here](#).

Please be reminded that if your child has tested positive for COVID-19 they will need to **wait 12 weeks** before they can have a COVID-19 vaccine.

## COVID-19 reminders (from previous bulletin - 28.01.2022)

### Face coverings in school

Students are no longer required to wear face masks in communal areas, classrooms or in any other areas of the school. However, if students or colleagues choose to do so, they may. If students choose to wear face masks, these must conform to the guidelines previously published, i.e dark coloured, reusable face masks without prominent logos, images or lettering.

### Current guidance regarding lateral flow testing

We ask that students continue to test regularly at home twice a week using LFDs as one means of identifying Covid-19 infection and helping reduce transmission in our communities. Please note that, as a temporary measure, the government have removed the requirement to take a confirmatory PCR test. An LFD is sufficient for determining whether or not an individual should isolate.

### Work for pupils who have tested positive

Please can parents be aware that we will only set subject work for pupils who have tested positive for COVID-19 and are therefore isolating but are not suffering from symptoms which would stop them from working. If students are suffering significant covid symptoms or are off school for any other reason, they are not expected to complete school work. There are several reasons for this, not least that if your child is too unwell to attend school then they should be resting, and we will help them catch up on the work they have missed upon their return.

### School work update when absent for a positive Covid result

For students not suffering from symptoms that would prevent them from working, work will be set by teachers from the first lesson of the day following the report of a positive Covid test. Because of their other teaching commitments, very rarely are teachers able to set work during the day. On the first day, please ask your child to open the link to our [Curriculum Maps](#) to remind themselves of what they have been learning in each subject lesson. They can then open the link to the [Oak National Academy](#) and find the corresponding lesson / topic from the resources and complete the lesson(s).

We hope you like the new layout of the Parent Bulletin, if you have any feedback please contact [cmh@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:cmh@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk).

