

Term 1 - Friday 6th October, 2023

Parent Bulletin

Updates for the parents/guardians of students at Cheltenham Bournside School



School updates and news

Voicebox at the Cheltenham Literature Festival

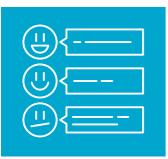


This week, Sarah Cooksley and Rebecca Smith from the Cheltenham Festivals ran a poetry workshop with Mr Clarke's Year 10 class using the Scribbled Self booklet. The booklet is the legacy of the Beyond Words project, designed by the Festival and the Gloucestershire Hospital Education Service as a "guide to writing for wellbeing for young people."

On Sunday 8th October from 11am - 12pm at the Voicebox stage in Montpellier Gardens, some of the Year 10 students will be performing the poems that they have written as part of the workshop as well as some Year 11s. If you would like to show your support, arrive a little earlier to guarantee a seat for this free event.

- Mr Cratchley, Teacher of English

Year 7 - Parent Voice Forum



Would you like to be a part of the Bournside Parent Voice Forum? The Forum represents a fabulous opportunity to ensure that parents/carers are able to contribute to the future development of our school. Comprised of parents/carers of students from all year groups, the group meets four times per year at 7.00pm. Each meeting is centered around a particular

theme/development, which we would like to take your views on.

Three places for parents of children in year 7 will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. To register your interest, please email Clare Johnson, PA to the Headteacher - pa@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk.

 Cheltenham Literature Festival FREE Voicebox event, 11am

Tuesday 10th October

Lunchtime music recital
 Pittville Pump Room, 1pm

Wednesday 11th October

 Inspire Lecture - Professor Michael Wooldridge, 2-3pm

Wednesday 11th - Friday 13th October

• Year 11 Geography Case Study Visits

Tuesday 24th October

• Year 11 Macbeth Trip - Globe Theatre

Friday 27th October

• INSET day. Students do not attend school.

w/c 30th October

Half term

House points

6959

A fantastic amount of House Points achieved this week by all houses.

Attenborough Frank Hawking
6363 6690 7314

Owens Parks Rowling

6865

6694

Useful links: <u>Sport fixtures</u> - <u>School calendar</u> - <u>Extra-curricular timetable</u>

School updates and news

Year 11 and 13 - GCSE and A Level Revision Sessions



Please find links to the GCSE and A Level revision timetables for Term 1 & 2 below:

www.bournside.gloucs.sch.uk/parents/year-11-revision-sessions www.bournside.gloucs.sch.uk/parents/year-13-revision-sessions

- Mr Penny, Deputy Headteacher and Mr Warren, Head of Sixth Form

Bike security



Please be advised that any student that cycles to school needs to store their bicycle in our bike sheds to avoid the risk of theft. Thank you.

- Mr Waters

BookBuzz Selections - Year 7 and 8



The library is supporting the English department with the literacy initiative of BookBuzz. This year the students have expressed how pleased they are with the wide variety and choice of books. The books included fiction and non-fiction, graphic novels, and many different genres. All in all, a good read guaranteed. - Mrs Rimmen, Librarian

Free lunchtime concert



Our talented music students will be performing in the stunning surroundings of the Pittville Pump Room once again, on Tuesday 10th October at 1.00pm, as part of the Young Musician Concert Series run by the Cheltenham Music Festival Society.

The lunchtime recital is free of charge and you are warmly invited to attend in support of our students.

We look forward to seeing you there. - Mr Cutress

SAVE THE DATE - Bournside Careers Fair, Thursday 9th November, 4.00pm - 7.00pm



With more than 50 exhibitors already confirmed, this year's Bournside Careers Fair is set to be the most inspiring and informative to-date. For the first time, students in all year groups will have the opportunity to visit the Careers Fair stalls to explore their future education and employment options and to access independent advice and guidance.

To manage capacity, year groups are being invited in waves:

- Years 11, 12 and 13 Invited to arrive between 4.00pm and 5.30pm.
- Years 9 and 10 Invited to arrive between 5.00pm and 6.30pm.
- Years 7 and 8 All students will visit the Careers Fair during the school day.

The Careers Fair offers a valuable opportunity for students and their families to meet universities and employers face-to-face and to hear from speakers on a number of topics. Find out more and view the lastest list of exhibitors on our website.

Click here to read this week's student careers newsletter



School updates

Teacher Taster Day - Wednesday 15th November



Would you like to know more about a career in teaching and find out, is teaching for you? Your next opportunity to join us for a Teacher Taster Day is on Wednesday 15th November, 8.45am – 3.00pm.

This course is for anyone who has a degree qualification and would like to hear more about a career in teaching. You will have the chance to:

- Spend the day with us to experience school life
- · Observe lessons and see different teaching styles
- Learn how to plan a short lesson
- Teach your lesson to our students

Later in the day you will hear from one of our partnership providers about different pathways into teaching and find out what you need to do to apply. There is nothing to prepare and you will be supported every step of the way.

To book your place or to register interest for future dates, please email our Initial Teacher Training Coordinator, Jacquie Pedley - jmp@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk

Community notices and useful links



Who can attend? Parents & Carers of young people aged 11-18 living in Gloucestershire.

Where? Sessions are delivered remotely via Zoom or face-toface in venues across Gloucestershire.

When? Times vary. Please visit our website for the full timetable of dates.

How do I book?

Head to www.ticplus.org.uk/ parents-carers/parent-carer - support-groups/



Or you can book by scanning this QR code with your phone.



Parent & Carer Support Groups

November/December 2023 Dates

OUR FREE PARENT & CARERS
SUPPORT GROUPS ARE FOR
PARENTS/CARERS OF YOUNG
PEOPLE AGED 11-18 LIVING IN
GLOUCESTERSHIRE WHO ARE
STRUGGLING WITH THEIR MENTAL
HEALTH & WELLBEING

GROUPS ARE WEEKLY FOR SIX WEEKS AND LAST 1.5 HOURS - DAYTIME AND EVENING GROUPS AVAILABLE

7 NOVEMBER - 12 DECEMBER 10:30AM - 12NOON STROUD

8 NOVEMBER - 13 DECEMBER 7:00PM - 8:30PM CHELTENHAM

8 NOVEMBER - 13 DECEMBER 7:00PM - 8:30PM ZOOM

9 NOVEMBER - 14 DECEMBER 7:00PM - 8:30PM GLOUCESTER

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Join our team

We are currently recruiting for the following positions:

- <u>Teacher of English (fixed-term</u> contract)
- <u>Teacher of Design and</u> <u>Technology</u>
- Teaching Assistant

To view the candidate packs, please visit our <u>website</u>.