

Term 1 - Friday 29th September, 2023 **Parent Bulletin**

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

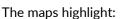


School updates and news

Updated Curriculum Maps 2023/4

Our Curriculum Maps show the learning journey followed by our students. Displayed in large format in every classroom and available online too, our Curriculum Maps help to bring our curriculum 'alive' for students and their families.





- The learning journey followed by each Bournside student
- Where and when learning takes place
- The topic of learning and key themes during each unit
- How topics are developed as students progress
- Where different subjects teach similar topics

The overall impact is to aid understanding of what students are learning and why. You can take a look at the latest version of the Curriculum Maps booklet in the <u>'School Life' section of our website.</u>

European Day of Languages



On Tuesday it was the European Day of Languages which sparked a week of activity with teachers across the school welcoming students in European languages and each tutor time focusing on a different European phrases.

"The European Day of Languages reminds us that learning a language is a step towards openness and respect for other cultures." - Marija Pejčinović Burić, Secretary General of the Council of Europe

Diary dates

Tuesday 3rd October

• How to support your child with their Year 11 studies, 6pm

Wednesday 4th October

• How to support your child with their Year 10 studies, 6pm

Thursday 5th October

 How to support your child with their KS3 studies (x3 @3.45pm/5pm/6pm)

Tuesday 10th October

- Pitville Pump Room Music Concert
- CEP Great Debate

Wednesday 11th October

Inspire Lecture - Professor Michael
Wooldridge, 2-3pm

Wednesday 11th - Friday 13th October

• Year 11 Geography Case Study Visits

House points

Hawking holds their leading position this week. Well done everyone!



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Year 11 Revision Sessions



BookBuzz 2023





This week in the library



The Year 11 Revision Session schedule is now available. We encourage all Year 11 students to participate and to ask their teachers what the weekly session focus is. Students do not need to attend every week, but should attend the sessions that will make the biggest difference to them. All sessions are after school unless otherwise stated. View the timetable online here: Year 11 Revisions Sessions

- Mr Penny, Deputy Headteacher

Over the next fortnight, all students in Year 7 and 8 will have the opportunity to look through and choose one book from this year's BookBuzz selection! At Bournside, we encourage all students to read for pleasure as much as possible and we're pleased to share that the books will arrive in December, just in time for Christmas.

There is a <u>wide variety of titles</u>, from non-fiction reads for curious minds to fast-paced page-turners to make sure that Bookbuzz has something for everyone. Each student can choose their book to take home and keep.

Students will be introduced to the <u>choice of books</u> and will make their choice in their library lesson between the 2nd and 13th October.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with Ms Owen on pjo@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk

- Ms Owen, English Teacher and Literacy Coordinator

In the library this week we have continued the football theme because it has proved and is still proving very popular with the students. We've been speaking to lots of students asking for sport-related books which has sparked conversations on books in general and what they like to read!

Year 7 and 8 library lessons have started with great success, students have been enjoying the time to pick and read a book and to have the guidance of a teacher and the librarian on hand to help and advise.

- Mrs Rimmen, Librarian

Club highlight: Eco Club

Let's grow together! We plant vegetables/flowers, maintain the school garden, look at wildlife, build bird boxes and more. Eco club runs every Thursday in The Science Quad. - **Mr Marlow**



Year 12 at the National Apprenticeships Show



Year 12 travelled down to Ashton Gate Stadium in Bristol this week to explore the National Apprenticeships Show. The event brought together top employers from the South West region, along with Colleges and Training Providers, to showcase the numerous apprenticeship opportunities available, from entry level through to higher and degree level. Our students engaged with a variety of exhibitors including Spirax-Sarco, Airbus, Renishaw and Muller, through interactive tasks and insightful discussions, to aid in their decision-making for post-18 options. The students represented the school fantastically and we hope they found the trip insightful!

- Careers Team

Student success

Harry flies high are NORA Motorsport Team event



First rugby match for Year 7s!



Thank you to Harry in Year 8 (Frank House), for sharing this fantastic photograph of him competing in a recent NORA Motorsport Team event at Culham MX Park in Abingdon, Oxfordshire.

Harry was riding with Corsham SCC and it was one of the last rides before he moves up to a 250cc bike. Harry had a great time and we can see why!

Well done to all the year 7s that took part in their first rugby match this week at Katharine Lady Berkeley School!

Molly places third in the National School Snowsports Association Race!





Congratulations to Molly in Year 10 (Rowling House) who placed third representing Bournside at the National Schools Snowsports Association Race last week in Manchester. Well done!

Join our team

We are currently recruiting for the following positions:

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

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



Click here to read this week's student careers newsletter

Pilates

Monday, 6 - 7pm | Tuesday, 5.45 - 6.45pm

Yoga Wednesday, 5.45 – 6.45pm

Body Conditioning Thursday, 5.45 - 6.30pm

Junior Gym Sunday, 10 - 11am

Gym Day Pass £7.99

Classes Membership £14.99 per month

Gym Membership £16.99 per month

Gym & Classes Membership £22.99 per month



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