



Parent Bulletin – Whole School

23 April 2021

House Points

Congratulations to Parks who continue to be top of the leader board this week!

Parks	10,691
Attenborough	10,381
Owens	10,173
Rowling	10,070
Hawking	9825
Frank	9628

Year 11 and 13 Report 3

Due to national changes to examination arrangements for this summer, we will not be providing an R3 report for parents/carers this year for either Year 11 or 13. This is because the Department for Education has instructed us not to release teacher assessed grades to students or parents/carers, and grades published in the R3 report would be very similar to final teacher assessed grades hence our decision not to publish report data as per our published reporting calendar.

Year 11 and 13 final day of school

The final day that Year 11 and Year 13 will be required to attend school will be Friday 28th May, this is the final day of term 5. They will therefore not attend school in term 6.

Catch up Immunisation dates:

Year 9 Girls & Boys DTP/MENACWY – Monday 26th April – If the consent form has not been returned already, please bring it into school on Monday – Many thanks

Year 10 Girls & Boys DTP/MENACWY – 14th May - **Consent forms have been given to students. Please return them to school as soon as possible.**

Please note: Students can wear school uniform on vaccination days.

Music clubs are back!

Year 7 choir - If you are a keen singer the Year 7 choir is for you! Starting on Tuesday after school in the music department the choir will be meeting to start learning some new songs, it would be great to see as many of you there as possible.

Year 7 musicians - If you are a musician then please come to Year 7 Music club on Wednesday after school in the music department. It is open to anybody who plays a musical instrument, and we would love to see as many of you as possible.

Year 8 musicians - If you are a musician, singer or were a member of any of the school music groups last year then please come to Year 8 Music club on Friday after school in the music department. It is open to anybody and we would love to see as many of you as possible.

Year 9 musicians - If you are a musician, singer or were a member of any of the school music groups last year then please come to Year 9 Music club on Thursday after school in the music department. It is open to anybody, **especially those of you doing GCSE music**, and we would love to see as many of you as possible.

Uniform, Equipment and PE kit - Term 5

We recognise the challenges that we have all faced throughout the latest period of lockdown and have made reasonable adjustments for those students who have grown out of uniform, who have been unable to get school shoes or who have misplaced key pieces of equipment. However, with a new term starting and shops scheduled to reopen on the 12th April, we ask for your support in ensuring that your child returns to school adhering to our school uniform and equipment expectations, which can be found here. In particular, we ask for your support with 3 areas:

1. School shoes: All students are expected to wear plain black or dark brown shoes with a low heel – platforms, boots, trainers, and ballet pumps without a hard-based soles are not permitted.
2. Learning equipment: we expect all students to arrive at school every day with the necessary equipment to allow them to have a successful day of learning. Compulsory items include:
 - Appropriate rucksack-style school bag (not a handbag)
 - A pencil case
 - Our magnificent 7 (can be purchased at school):
 - o 2 pens, 2 pencils, a ruler, an eraser, a pencil sharpener
 - Reading book
 - Planner
 - Calculator
 - Drink bottle
 - Helmet if cycling to school

- PE Kit: As you are aware, to reduce the congregation of students in the PE changing rooms we currently allow students to come to school in their PE kit on a day that they have a PE lesson. Increasingly, we have had students wearing leisure wear and tracksuits. This is not permitted. Students are expected to wear their Bournside PE kit, always with their blazer on. Below is a picture of our expectation of uniform on a PE day:



Mobile devices and student technology changes to school rules

Technology has played an integral role in support our students whilst students have been going through a period of lockdown and remote learning. However, we have seen an increasing reliance on technology by our students in school. Unfortunately, this reliance is not always in a way that supports learning and students are using devices to access social media, record in school and generally distract them from the fundamental purpose of school: learning.

In response, the school is changing its approach to challenge appropriate use and reliance on mobile technology. Our current school policy is: devices should not be seen or heard in the school building, unless in a lesson under the direction of the teacher. The freedom allows student to use their devices at social times. This will now end.

Our new policy from term 5 will be: not seen or heard on the school site, unless in a lesson under the direction of the teacher. This new approach will come into effect from 19th April 2021. However, in order to support the students and school community we will go through the following 3 phases before we fully enforce our policy:

- **Explain Phase: 19th April – 3rd May**
During this phase we will run a series of assemblies and tutor activities
- **Engage Phase: 3rd May – 17th May**
We will engage with our students by following our confiscation policy, but allow them to collect their item at the end of the day.
- **Enforce Phase: 24th May onwards**

We will engage with our students by following our confiscation policy, but parents/carers will be required to collect their child's device at the end of the day. Reception operates until 4:30pm Monday-Thursday and until 4pm on Fridays.

Our policy will come into full force and will remain in place from the start of term 6 onwards.

Careers Newsletter - See attached newsletter in the Careers area of the website [here](#)

Face masks

Students will be expected to always wear a facemask when indoors on our school site, unless they are exempt, in which case, they must wear their exemption lanyard clearly. This includes during lessons.

Students who have attended school for their lateral flow test have been given a Bournside branded facemask; they are expected to bring this or a similar mask with them to school every day. Face masks worn at school should be re-usable. Students who arrive at school without a facemask will be expected to purchase one for £2.

Years 11 & 13 Business, Economics and Law revision sessions are outlined below

Year 11 Business Revision (with Mr Kelly and Miss Wolsey) - **Every Thursday** after school in the Maths block.

Year 13 Business Revision (with Mr Kelly and Miss Wolsey) - **Every Wednesday** after school (3.30pm)

Year 13 Law Revision - Mr Kelly - **Every Tuesday** after school (3.30pm in L5)

Miss Heppleston - **Every Thursday** after school (plus additional sessions for smaller groups of students during the week) - in L5

Y13 Economics Revision - Miss Hanley has a set timetable with the Year 13 students. Miss Hanley will let you know this in lesson

School Lunch Money

Please ensure that students have sufficient funds on their Dining Centre account. Although we do not refuse any student food, if there are insufficient funds this will cause their account to have a negative balance which, will need to be re-paid

What's for Lunch?

Find out what's for lunch next week [here](#)

Introducing Love Joes!



We are delighted to announce that we have a new chicken supplier to our Dining Centres – Love Joes – and their high street style chicken will be hitting our menus from next week! All Love Joes meals are prepared and cooked to school catering guidelines and include lots of healthy, tasty dishes such as wraps, burritos, curry, and breaded chicken.

Love Joes' British Guarantee ensures that all their food is sourced and produced in Britain, and their chicken is British Red Tractor certified for the best quality. Look out for the Love Joes stamp on our Dining Centre menus to see which days we are serving their delicious food for our standard main meal price of £2.50.

Next Tuesday – tandoori chicken wraps with salad and a selection of sauces.



Next Thursday – mild chicken curry with rice and naan bread.



Please see the school calendar on our website for forthcoming events:

<https://www.bournside.gloucs.sch.uk/calendar/>