



## School news and updates

### Whole School Remembrance Service - 10.11.23



Everyone at Cheltenham Bournside School came together at 11am today, Friday 10th November, to commemorate Remembrance Day in a special student-led service, honouring the Armed Forces and all those whose lives have been affected by war and conflict. Cadets were invited to wear their service uniform and students and staff wore their poppies, the symbol for veteran's organisations, with pride.

The Last Post was played by Toby Perona-Wright in Year 7, supported by graduate student, Thomas Agombar following speeches and readings from Mr Jefferies, Head of History, Mr Lockyer and Senior House Captains Sam and Emma. Thank you also to Finn and Harry in Year 13 for their support of the event.

"Thank you to our musicians and speakers who delivered a poignant service on behalf of the whole school this morning. As we remember the sacrifice made by others to preserve our freedoms, the service reminds us that Remembrance isn't just about the past - it's also about learning from history so that we can continue to preserve peace for future generations."

**Mr Waters, Deputy Headteacher**

## Diary dates

### Wednesday 15th November

- Teacher Taster Day

### Friday 1st December

- Inset Day. Students do not attend school.

### Monday 4th - Friday 15 December

- Year 11 Mock Exams (Art/MFL previous week)

### Wednesday 6th December

- DofE Awards Evening (details tbc)

### Wednesday 13th December

- Christmas Concert (details tbc)

### Thursday 14th December

- Year 7 Disco

### Tuesday 19th December

- Student Awards Ceremony

### Friday 22nd December

- Last day of term

## House points

More than 60,000 positive House Points were awarded in Term 1. Congratulations!

Attenborough Frank

12433

Hawking

13008

Owens

13008

Parks

12605

Rowling

13142

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### UK Research and Innovation Asteroids and Moon Rocks Display Event - 29.11.23



"The school has been granted the opportunity to host a selection of asteroids and moon rocks from UK Research and Innovation. A special event will be held on Wednesday 29th November from 5pm, where the set will be available to view in the Main Hall.

If you are interested in attending, please complete the form and state how many people (including yourself) would be coming.  
<https://forms.office.com/e/0ZCPW1EReL>

- Mr James, Teacher and Science

### Apply to become a parent governor at Bournside School

The Governing Board is pleased to invite parent and carers of students registered at Bournside to apply for the position of parent trustee. Nominations are open until Friday 24th November. You can put yourself forward, or a friend can put your name forward with your permission.

To be a parent governor you should have:

- A strong commitment to the role and to improving outcomes for children
- Good inter-personal skills, curiosity, and a willingness to learn and develop new skills
- The specific skills required to ensure the governing board delivers effective governance.

The governing board is keen for candidates to have skills in the following:

- Finance and Accountancy
- Health and Wellbeing

Please get in touch via email to [clerk@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:clerk@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk) to register an interest or for further information. A parent governor role description is also available to view on [the school website](#).



### Inspiring futures at biggest Careers Fair to date!



In the new venue of the Sports Hall and with more exhibitors than ever, this week's Careers Fair saw students across all year groups taking inspiration from the stall holders representing Post-16 options, University and Employment options. Thank you to Ms Heppleston and Mrs Mar-Gerrison for their work in organising such a fantastic event!

**[Click here to read this week's student careers newsletter](#)**





## Celebrating student reading



Students in year 7-9 are starting to use our new Accelerated Reader program to quiz themselves on the books and articles they are reading. Eleven students have already quizzed on over a quarter of a million words of reading, with a special mention to Zofia Drozolowska and Theo Hayward who have read over a million. Well done for being Bournside's first word millionaires!

- Mrs Rawstone, Teacher of History and Literacy Coordinator

## Anti-Bullying Week 2023



Let's Make A Noise About Bullying! Anti-Bullying Week 2023 takes place across the UK next week and reminds everyone whether it's in school, at home, in the community or online, that together we can bring an end to bullying.

During tutor time we will be looking at a range of resources asking students to consider what bullying might mean to them, how banter can turn into something more hurtful and what we can do to stop bullying.

Mr Waters, Deputy Headteacher, said "Our school community takes pride in all our values but next week we will focus on respect and support. We care about each other and believe in equality, always ask that our students are kind and we strive to make a positive difference to each other's lives. Our ambition is to prevent any form of bullying at the school and we encourage any student who has experienced or witnessed bullying, in person or online, to speak to any member of staff, whether that be one of their teachers, the pastoral team or their tutor. We encourage everyone to be an upstander and not a bystander. Together, we can make a difference and take a stand against bullying."

## Black History Month Prize Winners



As part of Black History Month in October, the History department delivered assemblies to students in Years 7 to 11. We also challenged students to produce a picture, portrait, poem or object which was inspired by a Black person, such as one of the incredible people we discussed in the Year assemblies.

Pictured first is the winning entry. The incredible picture of Rosa Parks was drawn entirely using Rosa Park's name by Amelia Wlodarczyk in Year 9. Amelia received 10 House Points for this.

Well done to Joy Oyebisi, Lily Pockett, Achazia Wong and Lucas Berthoud for their runner-up entries receiving 5 House Points.

- Mr Lockyer - Head of History and Politics

