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## A Look Back at 2021-22

2021-22 has been another exciting, action-packed year for Cheltenham Education Partnership (CEP). Since September 2021, all partnership members have been determined to return to some form of pre-covid normality in which staff and students from across the partnership have again been able to meet and collaborate in person. Whilst activities from previous years have continued, we've seen a number of new CEP activities introduced in recent months, including:

- 'Chelt 4 Change' youth debates
  - CEP Student Voice
  - CEP Literacy Society
  - ChangeMakers relaunch
  - Cyber Workshops
  - Meteorite Event in collaboration with the Natural History Museum
  - Conference with Rt Reverend Rachel Treweek, Bishop of Gloucester
  - 'Carmen Get It' Opera workshop
  - Mental Health initiatives
- and more...

We have been delighted to collaborate with a number of the partnerships 'supporting partners' through many of these projects, highlighting the strength of the Cheltenham community and passion for supporting the educational experience of its young people.

In total our 11 CEP schools have participated in over 115 hours of 'in-person' collaborative events and activities this year. Additionally, there have been a number of virtual activities and competitions. CEP events and activities have given opportunities to 1,039 staff and students. This has included 40 ChangeMakers staff and student leads, 130 participants in the ChangeMakers Summit, 30 Student Voice representatives, 80 students' interest in Cyber taster sessions, 24 Latin students, 150 debate enthusiasts, and more.... A copy of the 'CEP Annual Report 2021-22' will be available from September.

**Visit the CEP online ['Events Gallery'](#) for a recap on some of the events that have taken place this year.**

## Chelt 4 Change



***"Individualisation and diversity need to start earlier – at primary level."***

Student, Balcarras School

## 'INEQUALITY PART 2: EDUCATION & CAREERS'

Over 50 students from five Cheltenham Education Partnership schools came together for the second 'Chelt 4 Change' youth debate at Cheltenham Bournside School. The theme was an extension to the first Chelt 4 Change event which previously covered the broad subject of 'inequality'. Students opened the event with each school taking it in turns to present their views on educational inequalities and how businesses can support them towards achieving their career aspirations.

Presentations were followed by a live panel Q&A with guest panellists Councillor Flo Clucas (Liberal Democrat councillor in Cheltenham and Cabinet Member for Safety and Communities), Richard Gibson (Cheltenham Borough Council, Strategy & Engagement Manager), Lindsey Holland (Cheltenham Chamber Commerce), and Anjie Winter (G-First LEP, Enterprise Coordinator).

**\*\*Visit the CEP ['Events Gallery'](#) for more images\*\***



THE CLIMATE IS CHANGING, SO SHOULD WE!

Watch this short film of the [ChangeMakers Summit](#):



*“To cover the topic of sustainability with such breadth and depth is tricky, especially given the range of ages in attendance. The workshops in particular provided real food for thought and our pupils came away empowered. They have had their agency amplified!”*

Will Parker, Director of Sports and Physical Activity at Cheltenham Ladies College

## ChangeMakers Summit 2022



Cheltenham Education Partnership was delighted to collaborate with the University of Gloucestershire (UOG) Sustainability Team and UOG School of Education for the ChangeMakers Summit on 17<sup>th</sup> June. Drawing on the universities expertise in Education for Sustainability (EfS), over 130 teachers and students from 10 CEP schools were taken on an incredible learning journey through a series of sustainability inspired workshops to help empower young people with the knowledge, skills and means to effect change in their schools and local community.

Each of the schools presented an exhibition of their imaginative sustainability projects developed since the project launched. The event also provided an innovative learning space with guests from a range of industries, including [Cheltenham Borough Council](#), [Stagecoach](#), [Golden Valley Development](#), [Interface](#), [Hillside Environmental](#), [Planet Cheltenham](#), and [Baxter Storey](#), so that students could share ideas and discuss how sustainability will feature in future careers.



VISIT the CEP [‘Events Gallery’](#) for more information, images and a short film from the ChangeMakers Summit

## Carmen Get It!

### OPERA INSPIRED SINGING/DRAMA WORKSHOP

Ten students from five schools came together for this event hosted by St Edward’s School on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Participants learnt about Bizet’s opera ‘Carmen’, rehearsed a series of songs and staged a performance in front of parents, all the space of a day.



Visit the CEP [‘Events Gallery’](#) for more information & images

## Art Extravaganza + Demo

### CEP PHOTOGRAPHY & ART EXHIBITION

On 18<sup>th</sup> June CEP Photography competition and ‘Make Plastic Fantastic’ art competition winners exhibited their work alongside local artists at the Art Extravaganza & Demos, hosted by Christian Arts Festival at Pittville Park.



## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES SHARED WITH CEP



### EmpowerCyber – Friday 25 November

EmPowerCyber is back! Friday 25 November will see 800 Y8 students take part in a jam-packed day of hands-on cyber activities. Organised by Cyber Cheltenham (CyNAM) EmPowerCyber 2022 aims to excite, inspire and educate girls about the skills and opportunities the cyber security and technology industry has to offer. Further details and to register your school's interest in attending please reach out to [info@cynam.org](mailto:info@cynam.org).

**CyberFirst bursary** scheme will open for applications early September:

[https://www.gchq\[1\]careers.co.uk/cyberfirst.html](https://www.gchq[1]careers.co.uk/cyberfirst.html)

### CyberFirst Girls Competition 2022 / 2023

CyberFirst Girls competition opens for registration 26 September. Below are provisional competition dates. If you visit this page and scroll down, you will find a few test challenges to help your girls prepare <https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/cyberfirst/girls-competition-online-round>

26 September Registration opens

21 – 30 November Qualifier rounds

4 February Regional Finals

### Trailblazers / Adventurers Events CyberFirst

Trailblazers is a free half day event created for Year 8 students. CyberFirst Adventurers is a free half day event created for Year 9 students. Further details can be found at:

<https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/cyberfirst/courses>

NCSC are planning on running these events in CyberFirst schools. If interested please email [cfschools@ncsc.gov.uk](mailto:cfschools@ncsc.gov.uk)

**To submit details of events or other information for members of the Cheltenham Education Partnership that may be included in future newsletters please email [info@CEPCheltenham.co.uk](mailto:info@CEPCheltenham.co.uk)**

**EP FULL PARTNERS:** Cheltenham Education Partnership is an association of state and independent secondary schools in Cheltenham, Gloucestershire College and the University Gloucestershire. Partnership schools include All Saints Academy, Balcarras School, Cheltenham Bournside School, Cheltenham College, Cheltenham Ladies College, Cleeve School, Dean Close School, Pittville School, St. Edwards' School, The High School Leckhampton and Wincombe School.



**CEP SUPPORTING PARTNERS:** Local organisations supporting CEP activities include: Cheltenham Borough Council, Christian Arts Festivals, Cheltenham Festivals, The Cheltenham Trust, Diocese of Gloucester, Gloucestershire County Council, GFirst LEP, National Cyber Security Centre.

