



## School news and updates

### Jyothis wins Bournside FameLab with 'Lifecycle of a Star' speech

This week saw the final of the Year 9 FameLab science competition. The science communication competition asks students to research a scientific topic of their choice and to perform a speech to their peers. Speakers had just three minutes to convey a scientific concept of their choice (anything!), demonstrating FameLab's 3 C's – Content, Clarity and Charisma.

"We were so impressed with the student's knowledge of their topics and the confidence with which they delivered their speeches. It was a very hard decision for the team, but congratulations to the winning student, Jyothis S, Parks House (pictured centre wearing an orange tie), who spoke brilliantly on her chosen topic, 'The Lifecycle of a Star', showcasing plenty of curiosity about her subject.

Jyothis will now go on to represent the Bournside at the Gloucestershire finals on the 21st March. Well done to everyone involved and good luck Jyothis!"

**- Mrs Clement, Teacher of Science**

Well done as well to our three fantastic runners up:

- Charlotte J, Hawking House - 'Drug abuse in sport'
- Phoebe D, Frank House - 'Are birds actually real?'
- Jess A, Owens House - 'Dyspraxia'

Find out more about FameLab Cheltenham Festivals:  
<https://www.cheltenhamfestivals.com/famelab>



## Diary dates

### Friday 1st March

- National Offer Day

### Friday 1st March/Saturday 2nd March

- School Production - The Addams Family

### w/c Monday 4th March

- Year 11 Mock Exams
- National Careers Week

### Wednesday 6th March

- Inspire Lecture: Lisa Maxwell - Criminology

### Friday 8th March

- International Women's Day

### Tuesday 12th March

- Year 8 - Calling it Out production

## House points

Congratulations to Hawking House who have taken the top spot this week! Inching ahead with less than 100 house points between the top 4.

Attenborough	Frank	Hawking
28762	28538	28841
Owens	Parks	Rowling
28778	28213	28825

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### Bournside Students at Oxford Professor's lecture



On Monday evening, Mrs O'Dwyer and Mr Burnford took 21 students from Bournside Sixth Form and Year 11 to see a lecture from a true heavyweight of literary academia, Emma Smith.

Professor Smith is Head of Shakespearean Studies at Oxford University and has written numerous books about Early Modern Drama, particularly concerning Shakespeare. Her most recent book, *This is Shakespeare* was a Times Bestseller. She brought her approachable and witty style to the lecture, engaging our students straight away, all of whom said they enjoyed the experience enormously.

We were extremely proud of our students: they were immaculately behaved, listened attentively throughout and asked some excellent questions at the end. They were all credits to Bournside.

-- Mr Burnford, Head of English

### Duke of Edinburgh Award Training Day



Last weekend, we held a brilliant skills training day for our Duke of Edinburgh Award students working towards their Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards.

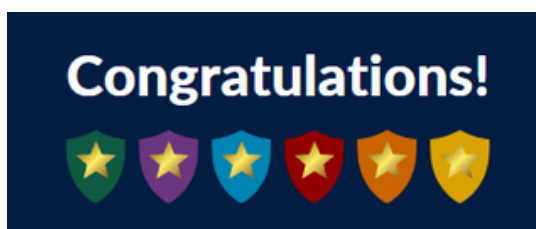
Run by our DofE expedition partner, H5 Adventure Ltd, the day helped students to prepare for the wide range of skills they'll need to be able to complete their expeditions safely and successfully. The training included map reading and route planning, meal planning and cooking on Trangia's, erecting tents and campcraft, first aid and emergency procedures, equipment and how to pack a rucksack (because all bags and equipment will need to be carried!)

"It was a fabulous day, the DofE Award students did us proud. They were engaged and interested and seemed to learn a lot from the activities. It was lovely to see teams starting to bond and work together drawing on their different strengths. I am now really excited to see them go on to their expeditions later in the year – first their practice and then their assessed expeditions."

- Mrs McCormack, Maths Teacher and DofE Supervisor

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### National Offer Day - Friday 1st March



We are delighted to offer Cheltenham Bournside School places for September 2024 from today!

Congratulations to any siblings who will be joining us later in the year. We look forward to welcoming our new cohort to the school community.

### First Inspire Lecture for 2024 - Lisa Maxwell



We are delighted to welcome Lisa Maxwell, star of stage and screen, next week to deliver the first Inspire Lecture for 2024. Lisa joins us to speak to A level criminology and media students about her role in The Bill and media representations of crime, before delivering an open lecture after school about her career in the limelight, advice on getting into acting and her personal experiences and advice on auditioning, public speaking and presenting.

If your child would like to attend the after-school lecture which takes place on Wednesday 6th March, 3-4pm, please ask them to sign up with Mrs Hemsley.

### The Gloucestershire young photographer competition is back!!

#### 20th GLOUCESTERSHIRE YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHER

We invite all Gloucestershire pupils to enter **ONE** image - any subject

#### of the Year 2024

PRIMARY & SECONDARY AWARDS  
**FIRST PRIZE £70**  
& RUNNER UP CASH PRIZES  
BEST SECONDARY & PRIMARY ENTRY  
**GYP TROPHY**



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email: [GYP@cheltenhamcameraclub.co.uk](mailto:GYP@cheltenhamcameraclub.co.uk)

ALL SELECTED IMAGES will be shown on one of the AWARDS evenings

This popular competition is open to all year groups from 7-13. ONE photo can be submitted per student. Your photo can be of anything you like. It can be a photo you have already taken and is sitting waiting on your camera roll! It must be a photo that you have personally taken.

Upload your photos to Showbie: [A9FJC](#) with your full name and the title you are giving your photo. The final deadline for submissions is Friday the 15th March. Cash prizes can be won for first, second and third place.

Full details can be found on the [Gloucestershire Young Photographer \(GYP\)](#) website or speak to Miss Askew in the Art Department - F5.

Happy Snapping! - Miss Askew, Teacher of Art

### Library reminders

Please return all overdue library books as soon as possible, if they need an extension please speak to the librarian. The library is closed to ALL students during Tutor time, if you have printing to do, or books to return, this should be done before tutor time or during breaks. The library is open 8.30am till 4pm Monday to Friday.

- Ms Rimmen

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





# Eclipse

Welcome to the young enterprise team of 2023/24! We are so excited to announce the launch of our individual beeswax wraps and DIY wraps! You can now buy them on the My Child at School app under online payments tab.

[Individual beeswax wraps- £3.99](#)

[DIY beeswax wraps- £9.99](#)

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Beeswax wraps are reusable substitutes for cling film- our DIY boxes allow you to create 3 beeswax wraps, allowing you to have fun whilst reducing waste on packaging!



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# Spring Fayre



## JOIN US!

Saturday 23rd March  
10am–5pm

Leckhampton Court Hospice grounds

BBQ, pop-up bar and tasty treats  
Live music and entertainment  
Leckhampton Court Tea Rooms  
Lots of family friendly activities

Entrance fee  
on day: £2.50

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under 12



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