

CHELTENHAM BOURNSIDE SCHOOL

# Term 1 - Friday 4th October, 2024 Parent Bulletin

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

Help us transform cancer care in Gloucestershire

### We're roaring to go! Lions at Large is Bournside's charity of the year

Students and staff at Bournside are proud to be supporting the **Lions at Large** fundraising campaign this year; working together to fundraise towards an amazing project - The Big Space Cancer Appeal.

"Three of our school core values are ambition, respect and support which align perfectly with the ambitious purpose of the Big Space Cancer Appeal. Our incredible students are already busy coming up with some brilliant fundraising ideas for the year ahead. We are delighted to get our school community behind this important cause. Good luck to everybody involved."

#### - Mr Waters, Deputy Headteacher (Culture)

A huge thank you to Arlene from the Cheltenham and Gloucester Hospitals Charity who joined us with <u>Leon the Lion</u>, painted by the incredible internationally renowned artist, PJ Crook at our recent open evening to help launch our partnership. We then went on to present our Charity of the Year to all students during assembly in recent weeks.

You will see an invitation to make a voluntary donation on your MCAS account to kick off our fundraising efforts. You can also track our totals and donate at any time, via our **JustGiving page**.



### support • Year 12 Music Recital - Pittville Pump Rooms

#### 22nd/23rd/24th October

• Year 7 Walks - Cheltenham

National Apprenticeship Show

#### Friday 25th October

**Diary dates** 

Wednesday 9th October

Bristol - Year 12

Inset Day. Students do not attend.

#### w/c 28th October

• October half term

#### House points



Useful links: Sport fixtures - School calendar - Extra-curricular timetable

#### School news and updates

#### Welcome, Olive!



On Monday, we were delighted to welcome our newest member of the culture team, Olive (one of Lottie's seven puppies).

Olive's first week of school has gone brilliantly, and at just 8 weeks old, she is already doing a great job. Her six brothers and sisters have joined their forever homes now too.

We look forward to working with you, Olive!

#### Inspiring artistic ideas at Gloucester Cathedral

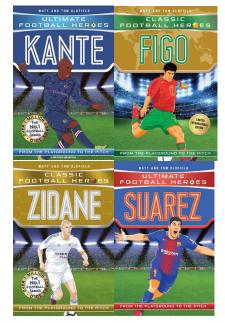


70 Year 10 Art, Photography and 3D Design students had a sunny morning gathering images for their portfolios at Gloucester Cathedral and Docks this week. They took photographs, drew and made rubbings of the buildings, textures, signs and other things around them - learning to look for images and ideas to develop their portfolios. The images will be used in class to form starting points for their GCSE coursework.

- Mr S Taylor, Head of Art and Design

#### **BEBRAS computational thinking challenge** (4th - 15th November)

### New football books available in the library



The books from the classic football and ultimate football hero series have proved very popular in the past. Pop into the library to choose from more than 20 new titles.

- Mrs Rimen. Librarian

The annual BEBRAS computational thinking challenge takes place after half term in computing lessons. We are running as a House Competition for years 7-9 and pupils can win House Points for themselves and their House. To prepare, pupils can have a go at the practise challenges here <u>Challenges - UK Bebras</u>. Feel free to have a go at some of the puzzles together.

#### **Open evening pictures**

We can't believe it has been three weeks since our Open Evening! A huge thank you to the students and staff who worked so hard to showcase what a fantastic school community we have at Bournside.



### Careers and work-related learning

## **Inspire** breakfast lectures

A brand new series of **Inspire Breakfast Lectures** are starting on Monday 21st October with guest speaker, **Detective Constable Martin** joining us from **Thames Valley Police**. Open to students in **Year 10 - 13**, these business-focused breakfasts invite speakers from all corners of industry to share their experiences with Bournside students over a cup of tea, fruit juice and a breakfast pastry.

Our new **Inspire Breakfast Lectures** will take place in the Sixth Form Common Room and will run from 8.00 - 8.30am. Prompt arrival is essential and refreshments will be provided for all attendees. Students wishing to attend will need to sign up via the QR code or by speaking to the Careers team.

#### Do you know someone who could deliver a Breakfast Inspire Lecture?

We would like to include a wide variety of careers and occupations in our Inspire Breakfast Lectures. If you would like to take part, please email Ginny Martin, Careers Leader gcm@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk - for more information





66 Inspiring lives through learning



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Police Constable vs Detective Constable Monday 21st October, 2024

**Georgia Martin** Detective Constable Thames Valley Police

Nuclear Energy -Decomissioning and New Build Friday 22nd November , 2024

**Dr Jonathan Martin** Senior Lead for Research and Development Nuclear Waste Services

Becoming a BBC Radio Producer /Journalist Monday 9th December, 2024

Annabelle Martin Daytime Producer BBC Radio Gloucestershire

Year 10 and 12 Summer Residentials at UoG Tuesday 4th March, 2025

**University of Gloucestershire** Outreach Team