



School news and updates

Cheltenham Bournside School Awards 2023/24

We're pleased to share the full set of photographs from the [School Awards Ceremony](#) held at the end of Term 2 where over 70 students and their families came together at the Parabola Arts Centre to celebrate.

Individual student citations celebrated many things, including:

- 'Inspirational ideas'
- 'Sensitive and thoughtful responses to sources'
- 'Passion and work ethic'
- 'Determination and excellence'
- 'Flair and precision'
- 'Maturity and a brilliant positive attitude'
- 'Enthusiasm'
- 'Courage'
- 'Diligence, engagement and insight'
- 'Attitude to learning and respectfulness'
- 'Mastery'
- 'Focus and tenacity'
- 'Integrity, selflessness and responsibility'

[Click here to view the photographs. Well done to all of our Award winners!](#)

Club highlight: Poetry Club

After school in J7 on a Wednesday. New members always welcome! We can help you enter poetry competitions, you can share your ideas with other students, talk about your ideas, or just have fun writing.
- Miss Fletcher



Diary dates

Tuesday 9 - Friday 19 January

- Year 13 mock exams

Tuesday 16 January

- DofE Information Evening

Tuesday 23 January

- Year 8 HPV vaccinations

Thursday 25 January

- [Sixth Form Open Evening \(from 5.30pm\)](#)
- School early closure (1.10pm)

w/c Monday 5 February

- [National Apprenticeship Week](#)

Friday 9 February

- Last day of Term 3

w/c 12 February

- Half term
- Year 10 ski trip
- KS4 Paris trip

House points

Congratulations to Rowling who start term 3 with the most house points!

Attenborough	Frank	Hawking
20954	20978	21165
Owens	Parks	Rowling
21569	20671	21934



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A new year message from Mr Waters

I trust this message finds you well and that you had a restful holiday season and the break provided you with the opportunity for relaxation and quality time spent with loved ones. As we embark on a new year, I would like to extend a warm welcome back to you all. Our students have made an excellent start to term 3 this week and as we resume our academic journey, we are excited about the possibilities that lie ahead and look forward to continued growth and success together.

The new year brings fresh challenges and opportunities for both our students and our school community. We are committed to providing a nurturing and engaging learning environment that fosters academic excellence, personal development, and a sense of community. As during every term, there are not only excellent lesson opportunities, but a plethora of extra-curricular clubs, revision sessions and of course our school production - The Addams Family - to look forward to. We encourage active participation in school life – please encourage your child to get involved in what we have to offer here at Cheltenham Bournside as our offer is vast and contributes enormously to each individual's school experience.

Please be assured that our dedicated team of educators are here to support and guide your children through their educational journey. Should you have any questions or concerns throughout the term, do not hesitate to reach out to us. Open communication between home and school is crucial for the success of our students, and we value your partnership in their education. Your first point of contact is your child's tutor.

Thank you for entrusting us with the education and well-being of your children. Together, let's make the remainder of the school year a time of inspiration, achievement, and shared accomplishments.

Wishing you all a prosperous and fulfilling new year.

Mr Waters

Deputy Headteacher

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Please return overdue library books



We currently have 490 overdue library books, many of these books we only have one copy available. I have sent out an email to some of the students who have overdue library books. If you know your child has an overdue book please encourage them to return it as soon as possible. If the book has been lost, please ask them to come and have a friendly conversation with me in the library. Thank you for your support.

- Mrs Rimmen

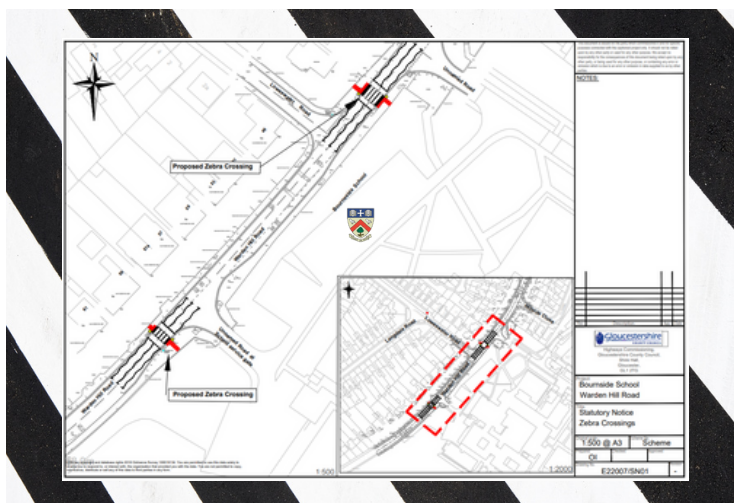
Additional language GCSE - Year 10



All Year 10 students who were interested in sitting an additional language GCSE this year please check their email - you have until 31st January to confirm if you would like to be entered.

- Mrs Haines

Request for support: Please help us to improve road safety on Warden Hill Road



We are pleased to share a [new proposal](#) to install two permanent zebra crossings outside of the school on Warden Hill Road to further improve road safety for our students; we would like to request the support of our school community.

Despite a series of improvements already being made in response to road safety concerns in Summer 2022, we have continued to work closely with local County, Borough and Parish Councillors to further improve the road safety measures, which we feel to date, have been inadequate and unclear to both pedestrians and motorists.

The new proposal addresses parental concerns to provide better crossing facilities with two permanent zebra crossings installed near both entrances to the school, alongside changes to the pavement layout. For the first time, these measures would impose a statutory duty on motorists to give way to pedestrians wishing to cross the road.

Plans of the proposals, together with the Statement of Reasons and Public Notice of Intention can be found online here: [Pedestrian Crossing - Warden Hill Road, Cheltenham | Highways \(gloucestershire.gov.uk\)](#)

Have your say: A public consultation is currently underway and it is important that clear support for the project is demonstrated. Therefore, please show your support of the proposed crossings by emailing highwayconsult@gloucestershire.gov.uk (quoting reference CB80408) marking your email for the attention of the Assistant Director of Legal Services. Even a brief one-line email in support of the project will make a difference. The consultation ends on **2 February 2024**. Thank you for your support.

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January clear out? We'd like the following items at school...

In the spirit of recycling and reusing (and finding a good home for things after an inevitable January clear out!), if you have any of the following items, they'd be gratefully received here.

Please drop at main reception marked for the attention of the department noted below.

PE kit and trainers

Please mark for the attention of Miss Goddard in the PE department. Trainers and outgrown PE kit.



Business books

In order to grow our business library we'd love to take donations of business related books. This might be biographies of famous entrepreneurs or books that sequences the growth of a business over time e.g. Amazon. Please mark for the attention of Mrs Wosley in the Business department.



Christmas jumpers

We are collecting Christmas Jumpers to support a project from the Cheltenham Climate Changemakers/Vision 21. The jumpers will be used for a swapping project in November in schools and libraries. Saving parents money and saving the environment too! Please mark for the attention of Mr Marlow, Science.



Plastic tubs

If you have plastic tubs left over from Christmas treat, we could make use of them in the DT department. Please mark for the attention of Mr Gibbons in DT.



Serving platters, slates, plates and table cloths

If you have unwanted serving platters or slates, nice dining sets or surplus table cloths, DT food could make use of them. Please mark for the attention of Miss Brookes in DT.



Magazines for collage and spray paint

Unwanted magazines or leftover spray paint? Art can utilise those! Please mark for the attention of Mrs Ferguson, Art department.



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Sixth Form Open Evening

Thursday 25th January 2024, 5.30pm - 8.00pm

Year 11 students and their families are warmly invited to our upcoming open evening:

- Hear from our Headteacher, Mr Jefferies, Head of Sixth Form, Mr Warren and our Senior House Captains
- Meet our outstanding teaching team
- Understand our extensive A level and BTEC offer, our three pathways and their entry requirements
- Explore our excellent resources, facilities and enrichment options
- Enjoy a coffee in our Sixth Form café
- Find out what it is like to be a part of our school community.

We look forward to welcoming you to Bournside.

Pre-register your interest in joining our Sixth Form:





THE **BIG** AMBITION

The Children's Commissioner for England has recently launched 'The Big Ambition' to hear directly from children, young people and parents across the country.

We want to hear from all children, in every part of the country and in every setting.

This is your chance to tell key policymakers what is important to you ahead of the general election. Take part now and ensure your needs are reflected in the decisions that will affect you in years to come.

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