



**CHELTENHAM  
BOURNSIDE  
SCHOOL**

# Term 3 - Friday 17th January, 2025 Parent Bulletin

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



**Cheltenham Bournside School**

## Sixth Form Open Evening

**Thursday 23rd January, 5.30pm - 8.00pm**

39 A-level and BTEC options - Dedicated sixth form study spaces and cafe - Excellent teaching and learning  
Inspire Lectures - New dance studio - New food and nutrition kitchens - Four language options



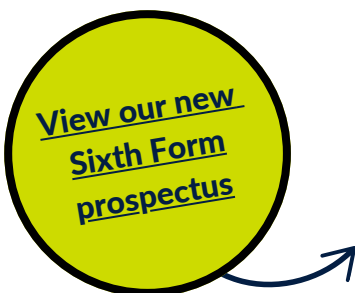
### Sixth Form Open Evening

Our **Sixth Form Open Evening** takes place next week on Thursday 23rd January 2025, from 5.30pm - 8.00pm. Parents and families are warmly invited to the event where you will be hear from our leadership team, sixth form teachers and senior students, to find out about life as a Sixth Former.

Each A-level and vocational department will be open for you to discuss your options, take part in interactive activities and discovering our inspiring senior enrichment programme on a student led tour. Bournside offers 39 A-level and vocational departments, the widest available locally, and we are proud of our student success and destinations.

Would you like a reminder? Sign up to the **Open Evening Facebook event**. We look forward to welcoming you to Bournside Sixth Form.

- Mr Warren, Head of Sixth Form



### Diary dates

#### Thursday 23rd January

- Sixth Form Open Evening (5.30 - 8.00pm)

#### w/c 3rd February

- National Apprenticeship Week

#### Tuesday 4th February

- Year 9 PTC

#### Weds 5th - Sat 8th February

- School Production - Beauty and the Beast

#### Friday 7th - Monday 24th February

- Online GCSE Options form open

### House points

Attenborough	Frank	Hawking
31185	27543	29874
Owens	Parks	Rowling
27703	29669	26850

## Headteacher's video - January 2025



Welcome back, new year resolutions, the year ahead, GCSE options and Sixth Form.

[Click to view the latest video from Headteacher, Mr Jefferies.](#)

## Beauty and the Beast



Bournside Theatre Ensemble presents:



Wednesday 5th, Thursday 6th,  
Friday 7th & Saturday 8th February, 2025  
Tickets £8.00 / £7.00 student/concessions (via MCAS)

We are delighted to invite you to our school production of Beauty and the Beast, taking place each evening from Wednesday 5th February to Saturday 8th February.

The cast and crew have been working tirelessly to bring you what promises to be a spectacular performance of Beauty and the Beast.

Based on the 1991 Disney animated feature and inspired by the 18th-century French fairy tale, Beauty and the Beast follows the story of Belle, an intelligent young woman who longs for more than her provincial life. When her father is imprisoned in a mysterious castle, Belle's rescue attempt leads to her capture by the Beast, a fearsome monster cursed to remain in his gruesome form until he learns to love and be loved in return. With time running out as the petals fall from an enchanted rose, the Beast's enchanted household—including Mrs. Potts, Lumière, Cogsworth, and Chip—hope Belle and the Beast will confess their love before it's too late.

Admission is by ticket only, with seating limited to approximately 180 seats per performance. £8 for adults and £7 for students and concessions. To reserve your tickets please make payment via the MCAS (MyChildAtSchool) app by Monday, 30th January.

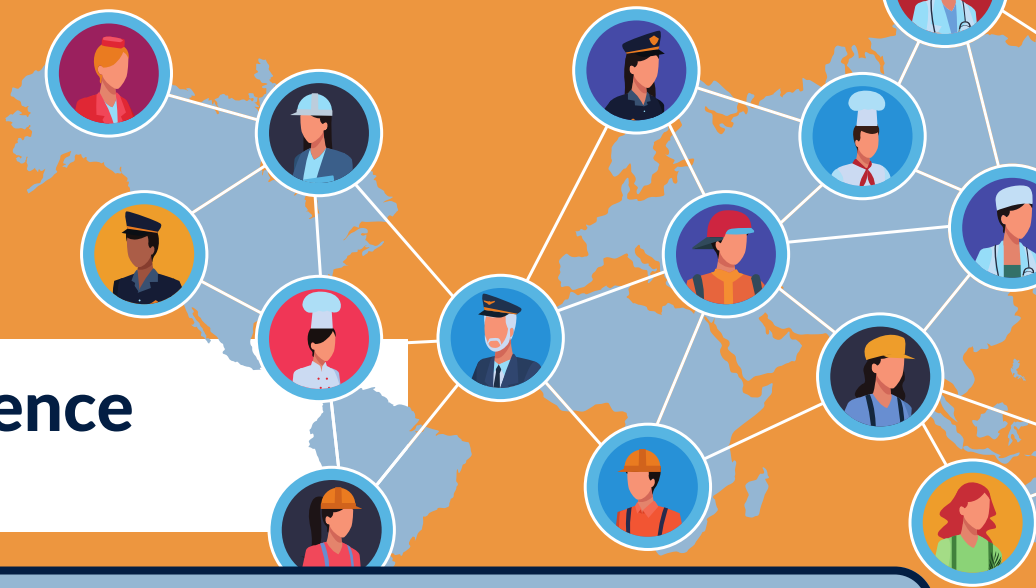


- Teacher of English
- Catering Assistant
- Cleaning Assistant

To view our current job vacancies and to apply, please visit [www.bournside.gloucs.sch.uk](http://www.bournside.gloucs.sch.uk)

# Work Experience

Edition 2



## Disadvantages of a student NOT having work experience?

Many employers prefer or require candidates to have prior experience relevant to the job, which can make it difficult for individuals without work experience to compete with other candidates. Employers often view work experience as proof of a candidate's suitability to be work-ready, without it, students will need to show 'work readiness in another way'.

Work experience often helps individuals build professional relationships and expand their network, which can be crucial for career growth and finding job opportunities, students without work experience will be at a disadvantage.

## When do we offer students the opportunity for work experience?

- **Year 10** - ALL students are expected to be on work experience **w/c 14th July 2025**
- **Year 12** - Students have two opportunities for work experience:
  - At the end of Year 12, **14th - 18th July 2025** (last week of term)
  - At the start of Year 13, **1st - 5th September 2025** (first week of term)

## How the careers departments helps students find work experience opportunities

Every fortnight the Careers Department produces a Careers PowerPoint that is shown in tutor time, advertising current apprenticeship vacancies, work experience opportunities, university and college open-days, subject masterclasses, and in this week's edition, the Sixth Form Careers PowerPoint focuses on Y12 University Summer Schools.

Going forward the Careers Powerpoints will also be shared with parents and careers along with this newsletter. Click below to view. **Please do have a read!**

Careers and  
work-related learning

Work experience opportunities



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Main  
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Sixth  
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