



### Youth Speaks Now competition



Congratulations to Sam, Laura who Julia who competed in the Rotary Club **Youth Speaks Now** competition at Sir Thomas Rich's this week. Their chosen topic was 'This House believes that colonisation of space is unethical'. The judges singled out Bournside in particular for their strength of argument and the presentation. Well done! - **Mrs Griffiths**

### "Meet and Code" - Where logic meets creativity

"Coding club has got off a great start this year, with students from Year 7-11 learning to apply logic and mathematics to create sprites, graphics, and animations using fundamental coding techniques. All welcome."

- **Mrs Kumar, Assistant of Computing**

### Reminder: How to report absence from school

Please use MCAS (MyChildatSchool) to report all absences and appointments

- Select + in the top right hand corner and tap Cheltenham Bournside School to start your message
- To send the message, select the blue icon >
- Your message will now be displayed in the message thread.

If reporting an absence or an appointment by phone, please call **01242 235555** and select **Option 1**. This will enable you to leave a voicemail for attendance which will be picked up promptly.

- **Attendance Team**

## Diary dates

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

- Year 7 Walks - Leckhampton

### Friday 25th October

- Inset Day. Students do not attend school.

### w/c 28th October

- October half term

### Wednesday 6th November, 7.30pm

- Macbeth, Roses Theatre

### 26th - 29th November

- Flu vaccinations

### House points

Attenborough Frank

Hawking

11709

10219

11721

Owens

Parks

Rowling

10783

10858

10269

# School news and updates

## Year 7 Leckhampton Hill Trip - Kit List



A reminder of details for the upcoming Year 7 trip:

- Tuesday 22nd October (Rowling/Parks)
- Wednesday 23rd October (Attenborough/Hawking)
- Thursday 24th October (Frank/Owens)

Kit List:

- Warm/waterproof coat
- Sensible footwear (including a spare pair of socks) – e.g. sturdy shoes/walking shoes/wellies
- Two spare plastic bags (useful for inside shoes/wellies, or to keep other items dry)
- Warm underlayer/jumper
- Packed lunch (including drinks), extra snacks to keep the students well-fuelled. Any student who is eligible for Free School Meals will have food and snacks provided.
- Backpack (optional: waterproof bag covers)
- Warm hat/gloves. Waterproof trousers (optional but recommended!)
- Small Pencil case to carry out activities on the hill

We're looking forward to three great days on the hill!

- **Mr Kelly, Assistant Headteacher (Cocurricular)**

## Vaccinations

Your child's annual flu vaccination is now due. It is important that you consent or decline the flu vaccination as soon as possible. Vaccinations are taking place in school from the 26th - 29th November, 2024. [Please see the attached letter for further detail.](#)

Please complete the [consent form online](#) (one for each child, please) using our Unique School Code: Cheltenham Bournside School Unique Code: [GC13672](#). - **The NHS Vaccinations team**

## 20% uniform discount



Our school uniform supplier, Monkhouse, is offering 20% off everything in-stores only, starting on Saturday 19th October 2024 and finishing on Saturday 2nd November 2024.

Please note, this offer is not available on the Monkhouse website.

- **Mr Waters, Deputy Headteacher**

## Nepal 2026 - Interested Year 8s?



If your child is in Year 8 and would be interested in a trip to Nepal in October 2026, or they'd like to be involved in a school-linking project with our partner school in Nepal, please ask them to speak to Mr Clarke (English) or Mrs Rudge-Wills (EFL). - **Mr Clarke & Mrs Rudge-Wills**

# Sports

## Latest news from @Bournside\_PE (follow the PE team on Insta)



- First fixture for year 7 girls football. Beaten by a strong Cleeve side but plenty more fixtures to be played this year. 🎉⚽
- 🌟 Senior Netball County Tournament runners up 🌟 Well done to @bournside.school's U18 Netball team for finishing as Runners up in County Challenge Cup. Winning all but one of their games, and only losing by one goal to the eventual winners.
- A brilliant set of fixtures for the year 7 rugby boys against @cleeveschool\_pe. Great to have nearly 50 boys representing the school. @cleeveschool\_pe came out on top in this time but looking forward to our next game against them.
- Runners up for the u13 Girls Hockey team in the tier 2 County Hockey Tournament! What a brilliant result and well done to all who took part. Thanks you @hockeyfeverglos for organising and taking pictures during the day! 🎉🎉

## Peer book recommendations



This week we have been promoting the book recommendations of the best critics - our students! With authors including Erin Hunter, Thomas Taylor, J. R. R. Tolkien and Jennifer Bell, there's plenty of new stories for all of our students to explore.

- Mrs Rimen, Librarian

## KS3 Reading Update

### Year 9 Reads!

In October 2024, students have read...

**160** Books

**3,253,688** Words

for **32** minutes/day!  
(individual student average)

It has been fantastic to see the reading being done across Key Stage 3 since September! In the last seven days, Year 7 have read another 84 books; Year 8 have read another 74, and Year 9 have read an astonishing 106 books!

- Mrs Owen, Literacy Coordinator

# Careers and work-related learning

## CV writing



### What is the main purpose of a CV?

A CV, which stands for curriculum vitae (a Latin phrase meaning 'course of life'), is a document used when applying for jobs. It allows students to summarise their education, skills and relevant work experience enabling them to sell their abilities to potential employers.

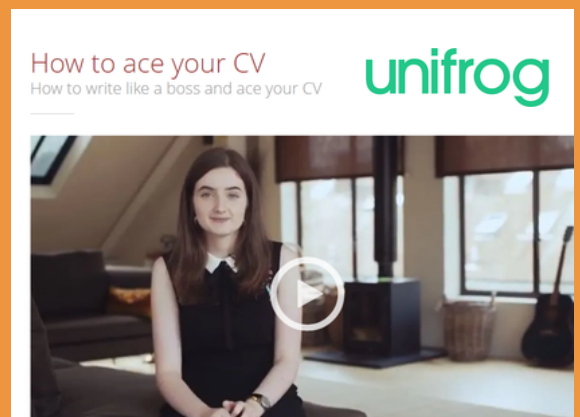
### Why is a good CV important?

A CV is a short document that gives students a chance to show a prospective employer the best of what they've got. It sells their skills and experience, and shows them they are the right person for the job.

Making a good impression is important in today's competitive job market. A student's CV will be their first contact with employers so it's essential to get it right.

### How we help students write a good CV

All students in Year 11 and Years 12 & 13 are given support as part of the E4L programme to write their CV via Unifrog. This is supplemented with support from the English and Careers Department. Unifrog have an excellent guide '[How to Ace your CV](#)' that all students have access to via their Unifrog accounts.



### Masterclass in how to write the Perfect CV

Unifrog have organised a CV writing masterclass as part of their Masterclass Series on Monday 11 November at 16.30. [Students can sign up here.](#)



# Inspire

## breakfast lectures



## Police Constable vs Detective Constable



Monday 21st October, 2024

8.00 - 8.30am

Sixth Form Common Room

Georgia Martin

Detective Constable

Thames Valley Police

We are delighted to welcome Detective Constable, Georgia Martin for our first Inspire breakfast lecture. Georgia joined Thames Valley Police on their Graduate Programme having completed a degree in Sport at the University of Bath. Having initially joined as a Police Constable in 2022, she recently took her detective exams and is now training to become a Detective Constable.

Open to all students in Year 10 - 13.

Breakfast pastries and fruit juice will be available.



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# inspire

## breakfast lectures

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### Growing a green business



**Thursday 7th November**

**8.00 - 8.30am**

**Sixth Form Common Room**

**Zoe Philips & Brown Taylor**

**Technical Manager & Renewable  
System Design Specialist**

Cotswold Energy Group is dedicated to making renewable energy accessible to all, offering green energy solutions for homes and businesses, focusing on sustainability, quality and personalised service. Starting with a commitment to reduce carbon emissions, they now install varying technologies including heat pumps, solar energy systems and EV chargers.

Within a renewable energy company like Cotswold Energy Group, several career paths are available, ranging from the more specialised design work and consultancy, to project management and eventually installation. In addition to common business functions such as sales and marketing, compliance, finance, and customer support.

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