

Term 1 - Friday 27th September, 2024

Parent Bulletin

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



Matches and tournaments are up and running!

There has been lots of sport on this week with students taking up the huge range of opportunities available from the PE Department.

Our U16 netball team came 2nd in the County Challenge Cup, our Year 7 boys put on an excellent performance in their first rugby match and Year 12 played their first netball fixture coming away with a 33-3 win. Well done everyone!

For the latest information on clubs and matches, <u>please visit</u> <u>SOCS</u>. Follow us on Instagram too: <u>@bournside_pe</u>

- Mr Winterbottom, Head of PE







Diary dates

Tuesday 1st October

- Year 10 Information Evening for parents/carers
- Senior Maths Challenge

Thursday 3rd October

• Year 10 Art trip

Wednesday 9th October

 National Apprenticeship Show Bristol - Year 12

22nd/23rd/24th October

• Year 7 Walks - Cheltenham

Friday 25th Octover

• Inset Day. Students do not attend.



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Useful links: <u>Sport fixtures</u> - <u>School calendar</u> - <u>Extra-curricular timetable</u>

School news and updates

Alumni Ironman World Championships Success - Nikki Bartlett



Congratulations from everyone at Bournside to Nikki Bartlett, Bournside Alumni, who came an incredible 5th in the 2024 Ironman World Championship Women's race held in Nice, France.

In an Instagram post, Nikki said, "5th in Name IN THE WORLD at the IRONMAN World Champs, what the!!!! An absolute DREAM come true!! I wanted a top10 and my big ambition and dream as a Pro is to get a top5 at an IRONMAN World Champs. I can't believe it."

Well done Nikki!

Applications for the Bronze and Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award are open!



Students in Year 9 and 10 have had an information assembly from Duke of Edinburgh Manager, Mrs McCormack this week and applications are now open.

- Year 9 Bronze Award Application Form Deadline: 30th September, 2024
- Year 10 Silver Award Application Form Deadline: 11th October, 2024

"The Duke of Edinburgh Award is about you and your friends sharing amazing experiences together, having fun, and just maybe changing your futures along the way. Taking part in a DofE journey will give you skills, confidence, and something to talk about when you apply for college, university or a job. Beyond your academic achievements, universities want to see evidence of "soft skills" that you have developed through extra-curricular activities, such as communication, commitment, leadership and teamwork. Your DofE Award is a fantastic way to demonstrate and evidence these skills in practice."

If you have any questions, please email sam@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk.

You can also follow DofE at Bournside on X. @Bournside DofE







<u>Amazing Apprenticeships</u> and ASK are offering a series of free <u>apprenticeship webinars</u> for parents and carers. Each session will give you a chance to hear from a range of expert speakers who will provide tips, advice and information around the topic of apprenticeships and technical education. <u>www.amazingapprenticeships.com/workshops-webinar</u>

Is an apprenticeship right for your child?

Becoming an apprentice can be a great way to start a new career at Post-16 or Post-18, however they are not right for everybody. Why not find out if an apprenticeship is right for your child?



National Apprenticeship Show - 9th October

Bournside's careers department are taking all of Year 12 to visit the <u>National Apprenticeship</u> Show on the 9th October so that they can learn more about the apprenticeships available in the Southwest and get tips on how to apply for vacancies.

How do you apply for an Apprenticeship?

<u>Find an apprenticeship</u> is an online government service which allows you to search and apply for apprenticeships. The service is used by thousands of employers to advertise their current apprenticeship opportunities, making it easier for you to find the right apprenticeship for you. You child will need to create an account on <u>Find an apprenticeship</u>.



