

# Term 6 - Friday 8th July, 2022

# **Parent Bulletin**

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



#### Student success

#### **POC Tom Watkins**



Congratulations to Tobi Watkins, Year 13, Owens House, who has been promoted to Petty Officer Cadet, the highest rank a Cadet can attain, within the Gloucester Sea Cadet & Royal Marine Cadet Corps recently.

Having started as a Junior Cadet at the age of 10, earning himself the Commodores Pennant as a Junior Cadet, Tobi has progressed through the ranks, giving it his all. He has represented the South-West Area at the National Piping Competition as a Senior Cadet, and is looking forward to

becoming a Provisional Petty Officer on the Gloucester Unit Staff ahead of Remembrance Day this November.

The Sea Cadets aim to give young people an experience that will help them grow into the person they want to be in a friendly environment, focusing on teamwork, respect, loyalty, self-confidence, commitment, self-discipline and honesty. Mr Pope, Deputy Head of Sixth Form said, "Tobi is an extremely humble student, but his commitment and achievement within the Sea Cadets at all levels is admirable. Alongside his A-Level studies and Cadet commitments, Tobi is also a talented musician and a credit to our school."

### School updates

#### **Year 11 Prom**



Last night, 180 students dressed up and signed off their main school journey with a fantastic evening in the Gold Cup Suite at Cheltenham Racecourse. With their GCSE exams over, it was time to celebrate their efforts and have a good time, alongside many of the Bournside team who have supported them over the past 5 years.

Mr Stratford, Deputy Headteacher, said "What an amazing event to mark the end of Year 11! On Thursday 7th July

our Year 11 students enjoyed their Prom at Cheltenham Racecourse. The weather was beautiful, they arrived in style, and they danced the night away. Seeing our students enjoying their time with their friends and relaxing after all of their hard work was a joy for all of us involved. The staff at the Racecourse were full of praise for our students and the event was a complete success."

# **Diary dates**

Friday 8th July - Sunday 10th July DofE Silver assessed expedition

Monday 11th - 15th July
DofE Gold assessed expedition

**Tuesday 12th July** Year 7 STEM careers day

**Wednesday 13th July** Year 10/12 drama trip - Everyman Theatre

**Thursday 14th July**Year 10 Business trip - Cadbury World

**Thursday 14th July** Summer concert

**Tuesday 19th July**Sports day

Wednesday 20th July Term 6 ends

Wednesday 7th September
Term 1 starts (Year 7 & 12 only)

Thursday 8th September Term 1 starts (All years)

#### House points

Congratulations to Parks who remain top of the leaderboard this week!

 Parks
 Frank
 Hawking

 26594
 25626
 24989

 Attenborough
 Owens
 Rowling

 24319
 23944
 23750

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## School updates continued ...

#### **Blazers from Monday 11th July**

With the expected warm weather next week students are not required to wear their blazers to school. Please can they ensure they take out and pens, pencils and planners and put them in their school bag to ensure they are equipped for learning. Students need to bring a water bottle to stay hydrated and consider bringing a hat and sunscreen for social time.

#### Year 13 Grad Ball

Today, Year 13 students have collected their yearbook, hoodies and prom tickets ready to attend their Grad Ball and celebrate the end of their Sixth Form journey.

Mr Warren, Head of Sixth Form, said "Students have worked exceedingly hard over the past few months, we are looking forward to seeing the students enjoying their Grad Ball this evening after all of their hard work".

Please be reminded of the 7:00pm start and 11:30pm pick-up time.

#### New SLT appointment - Co-curricular Lead



Current Head of Rowling House and PE Teacher, Mr Taylor, will be joining our Senior Leadership Team in September to lead co-curricular opportunities across the school. Mrs Stickland will take over as our new Head of Rowling House.

Mr Taylor said, "I am really excited to be taking on my new co-curricular role at Bournside. We already have an outstanding extra-curricular programme at the school and I look forward to building upon this. We've already got started, hosting an exciting new Clubs Fair during this week's Year 6 transition, and my priority in the new academic year will be to further increase the range of trips and visits on offer to all students, through our commitment to the Bournside Opportunities Pledge."

Headteacher, Mr Jefferies said, "Being able to appoint Mr Taylor to this new position will have a positive impact on all pupils at Bournside. His sole focus will be to further enrich the lives of all pupils outside the classroom. We

know that pupils that engage in extra-curricular activity are those pupils that succeed and prosper in all aspects of school life. I am excited to see the new opportunities that will be on offer from September."

#### **End of term letter**

Please see Mr Jefferies end of term letter here.

The letter outlines arrangements for the end of term and the new school year.

#### **Useful links**

What's for lunch?
Careers newsletter
School calendar
Extra-curricular timetable

## **Community notices**

#### Join our team

We are recruiting for:

- Cleaning assistant
- <u>Librarian</u>

#### Eating at Asda during the summer holidays

Children aged 16 and under can access a hot or cold meal for just £1 at Asda from 25th July to 4th September.

Find out more here