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## **Bournville Open Evening Speech 2009. – “Where Learning Leads To Great Opportunities.”**

Good evening I’m Proud to welcome you all to Bournville secondary school and Sixth form centre. My name is Philip Perryman, I’m currently in year 13 and sadly it’s my final year here. I’m studying for A levels in Biology, Psychology and P.E., after university I’m hoping to go on to pursue a career in Physiotherapy.

The famous playwright Oscar Wilde once said, “Success is a science; if you have the conditions, you get the result.” I think this is especially true for Bournville School as we have all the right conditions for everybody to succeed. Every single individual that comes through these doors has an Equal opportunity of success, both academically and personally through the opportunities on offer to all the students here.

Now I could go on and on about how brilliant all the teaching staff are, and how friendly everyone is, but that’s something I urge **you** to find out this evening. Instead I want to share with you my experiences of Bournville School and just what has made Bournville such a special place for me.

I came to Bournville Secondary School in 2003 and I was really unsure about what to expect at secondary school. It was a big exciting new adventure for me and I was pleased to be going to my first choice of school after looking at a few others in the local area. Through the support of my form tutor and teachers I quickly settled in and made loads of new friends.

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My favourite subjects at Bournville were drama, science and P.E. all of which I still have a keen interest in to this day, but even in subjects that weren't my favourite I still enjoyed and did well at.

While at Bournville I've had the opportunity to do some amazing things such as doing a rock climbing course. I've been to see A Mid Summer Nights Dream at the Royal Shakespeare Company Theatre in Stratford Upon Avon. I've had the opportunity to achieve my Junior Sport Leaders Award and go to seminars at Birmingham University and use the sports facilities there, this year I'm hoping to attain my community sports leaders' award.

Further more I've been to Ogwen cottage in Wales and had an amazing time I made loads of new friends with people all across the school and I had the chance to do some really breathe taking activities such as kayaking and climbing Snowdon Mountain. I've also operated the light and sound equipment for numerous plays and music events that we've hosted As A Specialist Business Enterprise And Music college, however these are just a few of the things I can remember!

Not once have I regretted coming to Bournville School. I liked it here so much that after GCSE's I decided to stay on at the sixth form centre, Which I think was a great idea as it didn't mean moving to a new college and having to settle in again for my A Levels which could potentially have been very stressful.

In summary, through coming to Bournville School I think its shaped my personality into who you see before you today. I would like to think you see a Confident, Well Educated, Articulate individual and much of this is

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down to my experience of Bournville school our motto is, "Where learning leads to great opportunity."

You all now have the opportunity to get a small flavour of what Bournville is all about.

Thank you for listening and I hope you enjoy this evening.