

Friday 17th November 2017



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Message from Mrs Cottle:

The autumn term is notoriously busy and this week has been no exception!

House competitions in a range of faculty areas are now in full swing and open to students in all year groups. Opportunities for creative writing, for design and cooking are just a few of the competitions students are being encouraged to take part in. Knowing what talented students we have in our midst, I can't wait to take part in the judging.

"Get Caught Reading" is a literacy initiative that was launched in the summer term to encourage reading for pleasure and really captured the imagination of staff and students alike. In recent weeks, this has been developed yet further and staff are rewarding students caught reading outside of lesson time with specially designed reward stickers.

All year groups are currently taking part in various activities to support Anti-Bullying Week. This national campaign runs annually and aims to raise awareness of the different types of bullying, the effects of bullying and how to tackle it effectively.

Last Friday, the entire school took part in an act of remembrance by gathering on the playground for a two minute silence. Students from Reception through to Year 11 paid their respects in a moment of reflection during which the only sound to be heard was that of The Last Post. I felt extremely proud of all the children who demonstrated the Trust value of Tradition by taking part in this very important ceremony.

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Today, we will be raising money for Children in Need and the Student Leadership Team already have a number of fun activities planned including a Bake Sale and a Guess the Teacher competition.

Next week sees the start of the mock examination season and students and parents are reminded that they should now be revising in earnest.

Finally, rehearsals for our forthcoming school production, A Wolf's Tale, are now well underway. This promises to be a must see event and I for one will be reserving my tickets just as soon as they go on sale!

YEAR 7

- No messages this week.

YEAR 8

- No messages this week.

YEAR 9

- Year 9 parents' evening will be held on Tuesday 5th December between 16:30 and 19:00. Parents can make appointments to see their child's teachers via our online booking system: <http://web.bournville.bham.sch.uk/parentseveningbooking/>

YEAR 10

- No messages this week.

YEAR 11

- Year 11 mock exam fortnight will take place from Monday 20th November – Friday 1st December. Students have been issued with their individual timetable. Please help prepare your child and provide a supportive environment. Reassure your child about the exam so that they do not become anxious. On the day of the exam, make sure that they are well-rested and well-prepared.

ALL YEARS

Children In Need: The Student Leadership Team are raising money for Children in Need today. They have organised a cake sale and they have been selling Children in Need merchandise to raise money for this worthy cause.

Car parking: Can we please ask that when parents are dropping off or picking up their child from school, they do not park in Griffins Brook Lane Medical Centre carpark.

Contacting School: You will be aware that we have changed our pastoral system and students now no longer have a Head of Year (Pastoral Lead) and instead have a Head of House. Should you wish to contact school with any issues or concerns, you should first attempt to contact your child's form tutor. If required you may later wish to speak to the Head of House or Student Support Officer for your child's house:

House	Student Support Officer	Head of House
Boulton	Miss Freezer	Mr Kesterton
Cadbury	Mr Lewis	Miss Trilloe
Tolkien	Miss Spence	Mr Lowe

Punctuality To School: Please ensure that your child is on site for 8.35 as the Griffins Brook Lane entrance and student entrance on Hay Green Lane will close promptly. Any students arriving after 8.35 will be marked as late and our procedure is for them to sit half an hour detention. We appreciate that parents/carers may find this inconvenient in the winter nights, however, parents/carers have a responsibility to ensure their child arrives to school on time for school every day. We hope you will support the school by ensuring your child is on time.

Attendance: In the case of illness parents must contact the school either by telephone (0121 475 3881) or email attendance@bournville.bham.sch.uk

In the case of medical absence, parents must phone to school to inform them of their child's appointment or bring the appointment card to school. We would encourage parents to make routine doctor and dentist appointments outside of school hours or during the school holidays.

All parents should have received a letter this week detailing the importance of your child's high attendance. We are rewarding students with 100% attendance in a range of ways.

Medical: If your child has a medical condition, please contact Ms E Tisdell by email Tisdell.e@bournville.bham.sch.uk to arrange to discuss your child's requirements as appropriate.

If your child has prescribed medicines, please contact Ms Tisdell (see above) to arrange school provision as appropriate. Students must not bring medicines (including paracetamol) to school that have not been prescribed by a doctor.

Bullying: Please be aware that we have the S.H.A.R.P System (School Help Advice Reporting System) on our website. This is an online reporting system which can be used to report any incidents, such as bullying, which occur within the school and the local community. We actively encourage our students to report any incidents to us.

Communication – Twitter and Facebook: The school has a twitter account @Bournvillesch which you can follow to receive news and updates. We also now have a Facebook page to keep you up to date with our news and events. Please 'like' the page at www.facebook.com/bournvillesch to connect.

Competitions at Bournville School – Autumn Term

Tuesday 21st November

- Level 2 Rowing Competition, Years 9-11 (girls and boys) at Shenley Academy. See Miss Hughes or Mr Summers for more details.

Wednesday 22nd November

- Level 2 Table Tennis competition (boys) at Bournville School. See Mr Summers or Miss Hughes for more details.

Wednesday 13th December

- Level 2 Indoor Athletics competition, Year 7 & 8 (girls and boys) at Shenley Academy. See Miss Trilloe or Mr Summers for more details.

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Thursday 14th December

Inter-house Trampolining competition. Entries must be made between Monday 13th November and Friday 24th November. The competition is open to all students. Students must also attend the Trampolining club on Thursday lunchtimes. There will be a judging panel on Thursday 14th December to announce the winners.

Photography Competition

Students have an exciting opportunity to enter a photography competition. 1st Prize is a digital camera! Students enter by taking three photos and submitting them to Mr Miles. The photos must be linked to the 'Fundamental British Values'.

Year 7 Griffin Competition

Year 7 students will compete to earn the most griffins in English, Maths and Science. The house with the most griffins will be rewarded with house points.

Extra-Curricular Provision at Bournville School – Autumn Term**Monday**

Lunchtime	
Club	Room
Keyboard Club	E13
Year 11 Computer Science	K1 & K2

After School Clubs

All after school clubs will take place between 3pm and 4pm.

Tuesday

Lunchtime		After School	
Club	Room	Club	Room
Keyboard Club	E13	Orchestra	E13
Year 11 Computer Science	K1 & K2	Drama Production Rehearsals	PPC
Yrs 7 & 8 Indoor Athletics	G Gym	Art Club – KS3	M33/34
		BTEC Coursework Support Session	M35
		Year 11 Maths Exam Support	B17
		Yrs 9, 10 & 11 GCSE Badminton	EHA
		Yrs 7, 8 & 9 Girls Football	G Gym

Wednesday

Lunchtime		After School	
Club	Room	Club	Room
GCSE Music Theory Session	E13	Science Club – Year 7	B21
Careers Support – Year 10 & 11	M35	Art Club - GCSE	M33/34
Year 11 Computer Science	K1 & K2	Table Tennis Club	EHA
		Drama catch-up	K3

Thursday

Lunchtime		After School	
Club	Room	Club	Room
Keyboard Club	E14	Choir	E14
Year 11 Computer Science	K1 & K2	Chess Club	Library
		Drama Production Rehearsals	PPC
		Years 7 & 8 Football Club	PE
		KS3 Maths Club	B18
		KS4 Further Maths	B17
		Gymnastics and Trampolining	G Gym

Friday

Lunchtime	
Club	Room
Keyboard Club	E14
Book Club	Library
Year 11 Computer Science	K1 & K2

Homework Club

The Library is open before and after school, as well as at break and lunch times for students to complete their homework.