



INTHEKNOW

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No Native Rewards Performance at Bournville School

Message from Miss Green:



It has been a pleasure to see our new Gold Rewards system bring to much pleasure to staff and students at Bournville over the last fortnight. We ended last week with a fantastic performance from up and coming stars No Native in the PPC. Students who had gained 10 gold lessons and no more than two red behaviour points were invited to this enthralling performance by recently signed artists. The atmosphere was truly brilliant, and both staff and students have commented on how lovely it was to see those students who consistently do the right thing, demonstrating integrity and dedication in their lessons, being celebrated and rewarded for their efforts. We are all looking forward to seeing which up and coming stars the next rewards event will bring to Bournville.

All Year Group Section

Friday 31st January will be a training day for staff, and school will be closed to students.

Y8 Parents' Evening

Year 8 Parents' Evening, will be held on Tuesday 4th February 2020. This event will take place in the Elgar Building, from 4:00 pm-6:30 pm. This is a subject based Parents' Evening and as such will offer the opportunity to speak to your child's teachers on an individual basis.

Appointments with teachers can be made through our online booking system. The system is accessed via the link in the "Parent Information" section of our website <http://web.bournville.bham.sch.uk/parentseveningbooking/> or by focusing your smart phone camera on the QR code on the left. Should you not have access to the internet, your child's teachers can still book appointments for them. Unfortunately, we have to limit interviews with teachers to five minutes each. I would be most grateful if, wherever possible, there is at least a five minute gap between interview times to allow the evening to run more smoothly.



Rewards

The new 'gold' grade has used in all lessons alongside the usual green, amber and red giving students to opportunity to access rewards events like Friday's concert.. A key element to the gold grade is going above and beyond and being a role model at Bournville school.

Year 10 sponsored 5k walk or run event

Year 10 will be undertaking a sponsored 5k event in several weeks to raise funds to create a VIP room in the school. The students will have access at both break times if they have achieved the new 'gold' grade in all lessons. The room will include:

- Consoles & screens
- Board games
- Soft furnishings
- Bean bags
- Music
- Books
- Pictures

Forms will be distributed on Monday with the target of £10 per student. Any additional fundraising or donations that you are able to make, including unwanted or underused items that your family have, or connections to local businesses that make charitable donations, would be hugely appreciated by the whole school community and allow the rapid introduction of this fantastic facility. It will also provide a space students can use after school if a 'golden' day was achieved.

Sporting Success and Opportunities at Bournville

Our school is lucky to have so many talented sports people, and a PE Department who put in extra effort to attend fixtures and get everyone involved. This week:

Year 8 inter-house table tennis was won by Boulton on Monday 20th January.

Year 11 inter house table tennis is on Monday 3rd February 3-4.5pm in the girls gym.

Year 7 and 8 Boys Indoor athletics training is on Wednesday 29th January in the Boys Gym with Mr Summers.

The Level 2 School Games competition is after school on Wednesday 5th February 3-5.45pm at Shenley Academy.

Table Tennis Club is on Wednesdays after school 3-4.05pm in the Girls Gym for all years.

Year 7 & 8 Girls: Tuesday break 1 – dodgeball club in the Girls Gym with Miss Trilloe.

Personal Development Behaviour & Welfare

Detentions

If pupils choose to not attend detention in the evening they will lose both breaks the next day. Failure to attend the following day will escalate to a Head Teacher's detention on the following Friday evening.

We have 3 key focus areas to ensure that student behaviour is of the highest standard and enables all at Bournville to learn and fulfil their potential.

Internal Truancy - if students are internally truanting they will receive a red grade and a detention. If this happens twice in one day the student will immediately be internally excluded with work for the rest of the day provided. Prompt attendance to all lessons and engagement in them is crucial to students' progress. Repeated internal truancy will require parental meetings and a home-school contract will be issued with specific individual expectations and targets for the students concerned.

Non-compliance- students are expected to comply with staff instructions first time, every time. If this is not heeded the appropriate graded consequence will occur using the GAR system, the ultimate consequence being a fixed term exclusion for continued non-compliance and defiance.

Mobile Phones in School- the expectation is that all phones are switched off and kept in students'



bags. If phones are seen by staff, a polite reminder will be given regarding school policy. If this request is ignored the phone will be confiscated for that lesson and returned. If this is a repeated issue parents or carers will be called in for further discussions with Heads of Year and SLT.

Your support and timely reminders to your child about the high expectations above will be hugely appreciated and will undoubtedly result in improved progress at Bournville school for your child.

Attendance Rewards

We are pleased to be able to announce that students who attend every day will be entered into a weekly prize draw for an Amazon voucher. This is in addition to our other rewards and incentives linked to high attendance and good behaviour, such as half termly movie afternoons and invitation to the Year 11 Prom.

Examinations Information

Promotion and Finance for Enterprise - Monday 3rd February 2020 (line up on tennis courts at 8.50 am).

Health and Wellbeing – Friday 7th February 2020 (line up on tennis courts at 8.50 am).

Students are reminded to check seating plans on Exams Notice Board.

Summer 2019 – Exam Certificates

Exam certificates for the Summer 2019 exams are available for collection from Reception. When collecting certificates please remember to give the school 24 hours-notice. You will also need to have some formal identification (i.e. passport, birth certificate) that must be shown to before your certificates can be released to you.

PSHE Sex and Relationships Education

The current topic for PSHE lessons is sex and relationship education. A letter has been sent home regarding the content for each year group. If you have any questions regarding content please do not hesitate to contact me.

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PiXL Unlock:

PiXL Unlock is an app which helps students to improve their vocabulary across a range of subject areas. Students will be set vocabulary homework tasks to complete. Students can either download the app to a Smartphone or tablet, or they can access PiXL Unlock via this website:

<https://vocab.pixl.org.uk/Vocabulary.html>

PiXL have changed the format of student logins to be as follows:

- School ID: BV977
- User ID: surnamefirstinitial (e.g. Ebenezer Scrooge would be Scroogee. or Arthur Birling would be birlinga)
- Password: Password

YEAR 7

- The Y7 Modern Foreign Languages Spelling Bee Final will be on 15th January at Lordswood. Good luck to all those taking part.
- Year 7 are currently reading *The London Eye Mystery* by Siobhan Dowd in their Library lessons. They are currently studying Romantic poetry in their English lessons. Please encourage students to read their Accelerated Reader choices at home, and to come and take a quiz in the library when they have finished their book.
- Y7 can now come on the trip to see *the Boy in the Dress* students will get the opportunity to see the play of 'The Boy in the Dress' at the Royal Shakespeare Company Theatre in Stratford Upon Avon on Wednesday 29th January. The performance of David Walliams' heart-warming comedy includes new songs from Robbie Williams and Guy Chambers. It has been directed by Gregory Doran. We hope that this trip will help to develop students' love of reading as they see one of their favourite stories come to life on stage. Students will leave school by coach at 3.15pm and be back around 8pm. The cost of the trip is £23.50 per person and payment can be made via Parent Pay. Letters will be given out shortly.

YEAR 8

- Year 8 Romeo and Juliet Masked Ball House Competition. Create your mask for a character from the play, explain your choices. Entry sheets are available from your English teacher. Please submit entries to Mrs Lewis in E3 by February 6th. The more creative the better!
- Please encourage students to read their Accelerated Reader choices at home, and to come and take a quiz in the library when they have finished their book.
- Year 8 are currently reading *The Boy at the Top of the Mountain* by John Boyne or *Mortal Engines* by Phillip Reeve in their Library lessons. They are studying Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* in English lessons.
- Students in Y8 will get the opportunity to see the play of 'The Boy in the Dress' at the Royal Shakespeare Company Theatre in Stratford Upon Avon on Wednesday 29th January. Students will leave school by coach at 3.15pm and be back around 8pm. The cost of the trip is £23.50 per person and payment can be made via Parent Pay. Letters can be obtained from English teachers.

YEAR 9

- Year 9 are currently reading *The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde* by Robert Louis Stevenson and studying a range of Shakespeare's tragic heroes including Romeo and Othello in their English lessons. Please encourage them to make use of the resources on Show My Homework to support their study of these texts.

YEAR 10

- Access Assessments – Miss Lees-Smith will be assessing Year 10 pupils this half term for access arrangements for their examinations.
- Revision Guides for English Literature texts are available on Parent Pay. Yr10 can currently buy 'A Christmas Carol', and 'An Inspector Calls' will be available in the coming weeks. Payment can be made on Parent Pay and the guides, which are just £2.75 each, can be collected by students from Admin in the Morris Building once payment has been made.
- Work experience -. Thank you to all of you for helping your children with arranging work experience placements. We still have a number of students who do not have placements, please encourage them to speak to employers. The week is 29th June -3rd July. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me. Mrs Meaney.
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- Year 11 students can now buy discounted revision guides for *An Inspector Calls*, *A Christmas Carol*, *Power and Conflict Poetry* and *Macbeth* via Parent Pay for the bargain price of £2.75 each. These can be collected from Admin in the Morris Building once your payment has been made.
- Year 11 inter house table tennis event is Monday 3rd February in the Girls' Gym.