

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT | SPRING 1 - 2024

The personal development programme at Bournville School is more than the lessons that our students enjoy. It is the whole school experience: from assemblies to educational visits, from cultural capital discussions to student-voice sessions, from developing character and life skills to extra-curricular clubs and interventions. We help students gain the knowledge, attitudes, skills and habits they need to lead healthy, independent lives and to become informed, active and responsible citizens.



Character Education

We teach our students to STRIVE for success. This half term our work will focus on developing 'empathy'. We will encourage students to understand what others are feeling by listening to them in order to develop better relationships.



Student Leadership

Over 70 students have been elected into student leadership positions, reflecting their ambition and dedication to the school.

Y11 prefects will focus on planning for their end of year celebration (Prom), continue to support safety in school as duty marshals. Some volunteer to support KS3 tutor groups and the wellbeing group will be offering a safe space for students to go to during social times.

House Captains will be planning house competitions and encouraging participation.

School Council – will feedback and inform strategic planning, providing a voice for all students

Assemblies – students have one assembly each week with their year group led by a member of the Senior Leadership Team on topical issues or on themes related to Spiritual, Moral, Social or Cultural (SMSC) Education.

Spring Assembly Themes:

Week One – Cultural Reset
Week Two – Kindness and Friendship
Week Three – Neurodiversity
Week Four – Mental Health
Week Five – Celebration and Rewards

Tutor Time

We believe the role of the tutor is key and all students see their tutor first thing in the morning and at the end of each day.

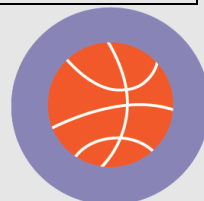
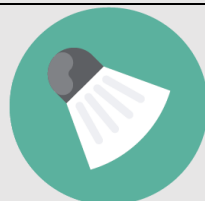
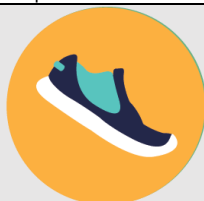
Tutors follow a curriculum which includes:

- ✓ **Numeracy Ninjas** – an engaging mental arithmetic programme
- ✓ **Literacy Engine** – reading and comprehension about topical issues
- ✓ **Votes4Schools** – a discussion and debate session developing cultural awareness
- ✓ **Character Education** – STRIVE for success
- ✓ **House Activities** – encouraging participation and involvement in house events and competitions

House Activities

All staff and students belong to a house; Boulton, Cadbury, Tolkien or Austin. This provides them a community to belong to. Students are encouraged to keep their positive points each day and to participate in a range of house activities to be in with a chance of winning the house cup at the end of the academic year.

Congratulations to Tolkien house who are currently winning the House competition. All houses are also earning money for their chosen charities. Congratulations to Cadbury House who have raised £122 for Acorns Hospice at the Christmas Fayre.



BOURNVILLE

ALL-THROUGH SCHOOL

Fundamental British Values & SMSC

It is our responsibility to teach our students British Values and Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural (SMSC) education so that our students understand expected behaviour from British citizens, preparing them for their life in modern British society. Some examples include:

- Students experience the democratic process by electing student leaders
- Respect and tolerance are promoted and encouraged with awareness events used as a vehicle to highlight key topics eg. Black History Month and Anti-Bullying Week. This half term we focus on empathy and kindness.
- Students are taught the difference between what is right and wrong and are encouraged to be 'Ready, Respectful and Safe' but they also learn through sport where they develop skills of fair play and sportsmanship

Personal, Social, Health Education (PSHE)

The PSHE topic for this half term is a very practical one, where students will learn how to manage their finances. As it is a spiral curriculum, the chosen theme varies depending on the year group. For example, Y7 students will look at budgeting, whereas Y9 will look at the benefits of insurance. All students will learn strategies to manage their money sensibly, with practical suggestions that will be useful to them throughout their lives.

Careers Education

A reminder all students now have access to Unifrog, an online careers platform, enabling them to conduct careers research at home and in school. In Y10 students will be encouraged to find Work Experience placements and Y11 students should have careers interviews and be supported to make post-16 applications.

Educational Visits

Visits are arranged to give students memorable experiences, to engage them in the curriculum they are learning and to develop cultural awareness. Already this academic year, there have been 11 educational visits to a variety of venues from football stadiums to theatres and of course museums. Those that attend, feedback positively on their experiences. We would like to encourage more students to take us up on the opportunities provided! From Geography field studies to University visits, there is much more on offer before the academic year ends!



BOURNVILLE ALL-THROUGH SCHOOL			
EXTRA-CURRICULAR PROGRAMME AUTUMN 2023			
EVERY DAY			
Before School	Breakfast Club	After School	Football
After School	Breakfast Club	After School	Football
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SATURDAY			
Before School	Breakfast Club	After School	Football
After School	Breakfast Club	After School	Football
SUNDAY			
Before School	Breakfast Club	After School	Football
After School	Breakfast Club	After School	Football
THURSDAY			
Before School	Breakfast Club	After School	Football
After School	Breakfast Club	After School	Football
FRIDAY			
Before School	Breakfast Club	After School	Football
After School	Breakfast Club	After School	Football



Extra-Curricular Activities

We have a wealth of extra-curricular activities on offer to students. This includes, art, drama, music and sport as well as completion of the Duke of Edinburgh Award. We are encouraging participation through the use of the extra-curricular loyalty card which can lead to house points and prizes. We encourage all students to try at least one activity each term.

A key focus for this half term is the academic support we are providing for Y11 students with period 6 sessions in core subjects in preparation for upcoming GCSE examinations.

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