

NEWSLETTER for the 2019 season

Welcome to the new season at Bournstream play & picnic site!
We hope the space, peace & play opportunities continue to meet your needs for what we have always called "a safe adventure".

The play site re-opens from **Saturday, 23rd March** until the end of November, 2019.

Grass cutting happens on a Monday, is very noisy & takes several hours - so you may choose to avoid that day!

The new padlock code for 2019 is "**2110**".

Emergency numbers & Sat. Nav. details are displayed on the outside of the toilet house, at the entrance - including the nearest Minor Injuries Unit at Dursley - which is open 8am to 8pm every day.

(we are no longer allowed to have a First Aid kit on site.)

Bournstream has **Public Indemnity Insurance**, displayed inside the toilet house.

Due to both demand for new families to come, as well as older children having different needs, we are now asking families & others to consider ending their use of the play site at the age of **18** - & move on to more age-related projects elsewhere.
(this can always be discussed in person, with Mark Pasco, in exceptional circumstances)

For this new season we have some additional car park space, as well as new planting around the site of trees & hedging to encourage the wildlife.

Repairs have been done here & there - but if you see any problems or concerns then do please message us via the website contact page. As you are far more likely to spot some stuff before we do!

One of the trikes for older children was written off last year but thankfully a generous donation (of £700) has allowed us to replace it.

(please always help us by putting vehicles undercover when you go, to make them last longer for everyone to use)

The season starts with binoculars in the hide for birders, new footballs, stepping stone logs & even some new, small trikes to try!

Hopefully something for everyone to play with or on.

Please can everyone read the **useful reminders** at the top of the NEWS page to save us all a lot of time, money & headaches!

(because Bournstream is not staffed, being run entirely by volunteers, & is so popular & well used we need everyone to help us look after it all please)

Donations or fundraising are always welcome - including the box on site or via the address on our website.

You can read about the amazing support we got last season on our News page under **Thanks**.

Although saddened to hear of the deaths of both Michael Stone (of Ozleworth) & Sir Bob Woodward (founder of CLIC) we are so grateful for their active support for Bournstream down the years & join the many others tributes in celebrating two remarkable & compassionate men.

We hope you can find a good time (& weather!) to explore and enjoy Bournstream soon.

Mark Pasco

Chair & volunteer

for **the Bournstream Trust Committee**

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Being safe. Being themselves. Being together.