



BOURNE  
ACADEMY

# Head of School

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

As you are aware, last Friday we held a non-school uniform day to raise money for Comic Relief 2022 and the Ukrainian humanitarian crisis. I am pleased to inform you that we raised over £2,600 for both causes which is a fantastic achievement and I can also share that all three schools in the Trust raised over £6,200! I would like to thank the students and parents / carers for supporting this day and I am positive that both charities will be grateful with our monetary donation to support the individuals who are in desperate need.

Please be aware that the Cyber Unit from Lincolnshire Police are currently contacting local schools to raise awareness of an increase in young people aged 13 to 25 being targeted by hackers, using their social media accounts (Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat etc.) for scams. This is an issue that is increasing nationwide and I would encourage you to continue monitoring your child's social media accounts for their own safety.

I am delighted to share some sporting successes this week. Ted Ash and Daisy Hay represented all Lincolnshire schools and Bourne Academy at the English School's Cross-Country Championships, which took place at Hop Farm in Kent on Saturday 19th March 2022. Ms Coles (Director of Sport and PE) offered her congratulations to both Ted and Daisy in what was a fantastic achievement for them both. I look forward to seeing further success from both Ted and Daisy in future competitions.

Continuing with the theme of sport, Mr Leonard (Head of Boys' PE), Ms Coles and our Year 10 Sports Leaders ran a Quicksticks hockey event for 100 Year 5 children from seven local primary schools on Tuesday 22nd March 2022. This was part of the Year 10 Sports Leaders qualification that our students have been working towards since the start of the academic year. This year, we have had 20 students participate in the programme where they have developed coaching and leadership skills. My thanks go to Mr Leonard, Ms Coles and the group of Sport Leaders for representing Bourne Academy in the local community.

On Wednesday, students across the globe celebrated World Maths Day. This year, our students in Year 7 and 8 competed in a series of fun and challenging online games to demonstrate that maths is a fun and practical subject. The enthusiasm from students was evidently clear and I would like to thank Mrs Martin (Head of Maths) and the entire maths department who worked hard to make this day a success.



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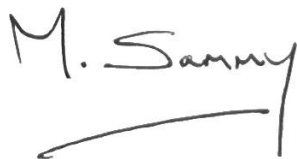
This week, members of staff have been conducting guidance meetings to our Year 11 students who plan to attend the Bourne Academy 6th Form. The meetings started this week and will conclude next week to ensure all students have an opportunity to have a bespoke 1:1 meeting. If you have not made an appointment, I would encourage you to do so at your earliest convenience before the slots are filled.

We are proud to offer regular communication to parents and carers to share important information. A letter was distributed yesterday by Mr Sinclair which focused on the importance of attendance. The content of the letter was provided by Lincolnshire County Council for all schools. Unfortunately, as a result of this letter, I have been made aware of negative comments posted on social media accounts which relate to Bourne Academy. It is also disappointing that some of these comments were made from parents who are not connected to our school community. We would urge parents to contact us directly if you wish to discuss any concerns you may have.

Finally, I would just like to remind parents and carers that our term ends next Thursday 31st March 2022 and we will return to school on Tuesday 19th April 2022.

Thank you for your continued support and I wish you a great weekend.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. Sammy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke underneath the name.

**Mr Matt Sammy**

Head of School, Bourne Academy

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- [www.facebook.com/BourneAcademyLincs](https://www.facebook.com/BourneAcademyLincs)
- [www.twitter.com/BourneSLAT](https://www.twitter.com/BourneSLAT)

There have been some notable highlights this week which you may have seen on our website and social media pages. You can access the links below for the various news stories:

- [www.bourneacademy.org/sports-leaders-run-hockey-festival](https://www.bourneacademy.org/sports-leaders-run-hockey-festival)
- [www.bourneacademy.org/national-cross-country-finals](https://www.bourneacademy.org/national-cross-country-finals)
- [www.bourneacademy.org/watch-a-live-superleague-netball-match](https://www.bourneacademy.org/watch-a-live-superleague-netball-match)
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- [www.bourneacademy.org/world-maths-day-fun-and-engaging-for-everyone](https://www.bourneacademy.org/world-maths-day-fun-and-engaging-for-everyone)
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