



BOURNE
ACADEMY

Head of School

Thursday 31st March 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

As we draw an end to this term, I would like to say a big thank you to the staff members at Bourne Academy in what was a particularly tiring term. Covid-19 brought many challenges, not least to attendance for both students and staff. Despite the challenges with staff absence, colleagues supported each other by assisting with 'cover lessons' when colleagues were poorly, in order for lesson quality not to be hindered. The Trust Leaders and I have been extremely grateful to see how flexible and accommodating our staff have been in recent months. Additionally, I would like to thank parents and carers for your continued support in all aspects of your child's education, particularly with encouraging strong attendance, behaviour and academic achievement.

This week, students in Years 7 to 10 took part in our Interhouse competition led by our Sports department and it was a joy to see so many students immersed in their sporting activities. The students spoke highly of the event and thoroughly enjoyed the friendly competition that took place between the six Houses. My thanks go to each member of the Sports department who worked tirelessly to ensure the event ran smoothly and successfully. I would like to say a huge well done to everyone who took part and offer my congratulations to Turner House for achieving first place!

In addition to the Inter-House competition, students took part in another House competition, this time, it was the 'stamp competition.' Congratulations to all who took part and to Luca Cooper, Harriet Dixon and Tia Pagan who received the top three prizes.

For many students, the Easter holiday will be a time to relax and have a well-deserved break. However, we are delighted to be offering our Easter revision sessions for Year 11 and 13 students. Throughout the Easter break, staff have kindly offered to deliver revision sessions to ensure our Year 11 and 13 students are well prepared for the upcoming summer examinations. Members of the Senior Leadership Team will be in school throughout the Easter break to pop in and support teachers who will be delivering the sessions. I am positive that our Year 11 and 13 students will greatly benefit from the additional academic support they will receive in the respective sessions and I would like to offer my thanks to our dedicated team of staff.

You may have heard Miss Lynas (Year 11 Pastoral Year Lead) this morning on BBC Radio Lincolnshire. Miss Lynas and Mrs Lammin (Year 11 Pastoral Year Lead at Spalding Academy) took the opportunity to discuss their Prom Outlet initiatives. Donations have been forthcoming for this fabulous scheme and if



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you would like to donate of a prom dress, suit or accessories such as shoes, bags, bow ties and cummerbunds, please see the school website for more details (links at the end of this update).

You can listen to the interview on BBC Sounds via this link - www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/p0bt5nxg (listen at 2hr 6m into the show)

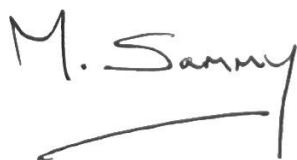
I would like to provide parents and carers with some important changes to our Pastoral Year Lead staffing. As a result of promoted roles and movement within our Trust, we will be welcoming three new Pastoral Leads for Years 8, 9 and 10.

- **Year 8** – Following Miss Mears' change to lead Year 7 transition, Mrs Crowson who currently oversees our Student Referral Unit (SRU) will take the permanent position as Pastoral Lead for Year 8.
- **Year 9** – Mr Portas came to Bourne Academy from Giles Academy (another SLAT school). However, Mr Portas will now be returning to Giles Academy to support school improvement there. As such, Jade McCarthy will be joining us to take the position as the new Pastoral Lead for Year 9. Jade is a new member of staff and has extensive pastoral experience.
- **Year 10** – Miss Marchant has received a promoted role and will be leaving us at the beginning of next term. She will be replaced by Ms Tina O'Donnell who will be the new Pastoral Lead for Year 10. Tina is an experienced pastoral lead from a school in Peterborough.

I would like to thank Mr Portas and Miss Marchant who have provided exceptional pastoral support to our students at Bourne Academy. Additionally, I would like to thank Mr Bradley who has supported the Year 8 cohort this term. All three individuals will be sorely missed in these roles and I wish them all the very best in their new ventures.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a restful Easter break and I look forward to welcoming students on Tuesday 19th April 2022 for the start of Term 5.

Kindest regards,



Mr Matt Sammy

Head of School, Bourne Academy

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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/prom-outlet-live-on-bbc-radio
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