

Head of School

Friday 27th May 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

It has been an emotional week as we have said 'goodbye' to our Year 11 and 13 students!

On Thursday 26th May 2022, we held a 'Leavers Assembly' for our Year 13 students which was hosted by Miss Double and Mrs Barber. Due to Covid, our Year 13 cohort were not able to have a Leavers Assembly as Year 11 students; therefore, we wanted to plan something special. The afternoon comprised of an awards ceremony, a video reel of photos from when students were in Year 7 and a BBQ plus ice-cream van. However, it was also an opportunity for students to sign their Bourne Academy Leavers T-shirts which is something they were not able to do in Year 11. It was a lovely atmosphere and a fitting way to end their time at the Bourne Academy Sixth Form.

Similarly, we said goodbye to our Year 11 students who had their leavers assembly this afternoon. Again, we took the opportunity to celebrate the successes of our Year 11 students, as well as providing laughter through some old photographs! We have an incredible team at Bourne Academy and I would like to thank Mr Butterworth, who, in collaboration with Mr Hind have supported students with their GCSE progress. Additionally, on behalf of Year 11, I would like to thank Miss Lynas and Mr Bryan who have provided exceptional pastoral care to our Year 11 students – something they are extremely grateful for.

Although we have had our Leavers Assembly, it is important to note that students are still required to attend all scheduled lessons after half-term where exams have not been sat. Moreover, students will still have their crammers and morning briefings for each exam they sit. All of the details will be communicated to parents and carers in a separate letter. Our students have sat a number of exams so far and have felt generally very positive after each exam which is pleasing to note. I would urge students to continue working hard with their revision and I look forward to seeing Year 11 students next week for the half-term revision sessions.

During lunchtimes, Miss Potter runs a popular Maths Club for our Year 8 students. They have been using their quick-thinking skills to solve problems and engage in tasks, which require and application of the mathematical knowledge to different contexts. Recently the students took part is the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge. All the students received a selection of bronze and silver certificates for their efforts. A special mention goes to Oliver Fowkes who was recognised with the 'Best in School' award, which is a fabulous achievement.



In my newsletter last week, I mentioned the success of our House 'Bake-Off' competition. This week, the cooking and baking continued – this time, it was the turn of our Heads of Houses to complete an omelette challenge! We had a group of students cheering on our staff who worked hard to impress Mr Bryan and myself who had the privilege to judge the food. The competition was tight; however, the results were:

1st place Mrs Vignolo Galileo House (Orange)
2nd place Mr McQueen Keller House (Yellow)
3rd place Mrs Lawson Hereward House (Red)

Continuing with this theme, I was invited to see the final Bake-Off 'showstoppers' from our Year 9 students. As you can see from the photos below, the cake designs were absolutely incredible! Congratulations to the following students:





• 1st place Liam Knudsen (pictured above)

• 2nd place Michelle Acheampong

• 3rd place Oli Willis





• 1st place Amelie Mason (pictured above)

2nd place Fai Green 3rd place Ellie Ball

Finally, you will have been communicated with regarding our exciting Celebrations Rewards Day initiative being held on Wednesday 20th July 2022. You will know which category your child has been allocated based on a combination of factors such as attendance, behaviour and attitude to learning. As a polite reminder please see the following booking windows open to book your child's place for their selected activity:

Gold students
Tuesday 7th June to Monday 20th June
Silver students
Bronze students
Tuesday 10th June to Monday 20th June
Tuesday 14th June to Monday 20th June

As we see the end of another term, I would like to thank parents and carers for your continued support. Furthermore, I wish you and your family a lovely break and I hope you enjoy The Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

Kindest regards,

Mr Matt Sammy

Head of School, Bourne Academy

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