



BOURNE
ACADEMY

Head of School

Thursday 21st July 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

We have reached the final day in what has been an incredibly busy, but excellent academic year for our students. Throughout the course of today, our students enjoyed an end of term assembly which provided an opportunity for students to showcase their talents. Additionally, a surprise performance from members of staff was a real crowd favourite! The performance assembly was a fitting way to end this final term and to bring the academic year to a close.

Yesterday, we had the opportunity for students to enjoy the Celebrations Day by partaking in one of the activities on offer. The feedback received of our students' conduct was exemplary and I would like to thank all students for representing Bourne Academy in a manner that upholds our high standards of expectations. Similarly, I would like to thank staff for their efforts as some trips endured a long day! Unfortunately, the trip to Chessington took almost five hours to arrive due to a fire on the M25! Similarly, it was a very late finish for both students and staff on this trip, however, I would like to thank the students who were a credit to our school with their positivity, despite the long delays. Finally, I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to Mr Leonard who organised the Celebrations Day with such precision. Mr Leonard's excellent leadership enabled all trip leaders and other staff to be clear of their roles for each respective trip to ensure the day ran as smoothly as possible.

Last week I made reference to the school production of *Bugsy Malone*, stating how impressed I was with the opening night on Wednesday 13th July. I am pleased to inform you that the two other show nights on Thursday 14th July and Friday 15th July were truly spectacular! The entire cast performed exceptionally well and were supported by a strong team of technicians and live band. My thanks go to the production team which consisted of - Mrs Parker, Mr Wood, Mr Brindley, Mr Swinn, Mr Horner and Miss O'Brien.



Visit www.bourneacademy.org/bugsy-malone-is-talk-of-the-town for lots of photos and the cast list.



Aspire • Challenge • Achieve

I would like to inform parents and carers that we are having some building work taking place over the summer break. We are incredibly excited to be gaining a new pastoral suite which will be a focal point within the school. Additional refurbishment will also occur as we continue to improve the school site for the return in September. I will be able to provide an update of the building works in my next bulletin in the new academic year.

It has been a challenging year, given the complexities of Covid; however, I feel it is important to highlight some key achievements and successes throughout this academic year. As you can imagine, there are a plethora of events which I could highlight, however, I would like to draw your attention to just a few:

Ofsted Report May 2022

Following the recent Ofsted report, we as a school community are delighted that Bourne Academy remains a 'good school.' There were a number of positive comments, however, we are so pleased that our pastoral care was acknowledged as 'exceptional.' Student welfare is of paramount importance and we are privileged to have such a dedicated team of staff to ensure our students are well cared for when they come to school each day. We are proud of our school community and will continue to ensure the highest of standards remain in every area across the school.

Exams 2022

The summer examination series was an overwhelming success, ensuring the administration and technical support was provided to allow our Year 11 and Year 13 students to sit their exams with little disruption. We look forward to welcoming students on the following dates to collect their exam results:

- Year 13 A-level & BTEC Results Day: Thursday 18th August 2022, from 8am
- Year 11 GCSE & BTEC Results Day: Thursday 25th August 2022, from 8am

Sporting Success

Sport at Bourne Academy remains to be a strength and we have seen a number of highlights ranging from individual student successes who have represented their County in national championships to Bourne Academy receiving the Bronze Mark for School Games Award. A particular highlight was our Year 9 boys football team reaching the final of the football County Cup final.

Prom

Our Year 13 and Year 11 Proms were the pinnacle moment where we can say farewell to our students. This year, Miss Lynas co-ordinated the 'Prom Outlet' shop which allowed students to receive a prom outfit free of charge. Such an initiative was so impressive, Miss Lynas featured on BBC Radio Lincolnshire to discuss this magnificent initiative.

Communications and Reading Agenda

Mrs Bland (Assistant Headteacher) has led on this agenda which encompasses all forms of literacy and reading. This has been a particular strength and a number of projects were implemented with great success: 'author masterclasses', 'short story competitions', 'reading ambassador programme', 'Rapid Reading' programme to name just a few.

House System

As you know, we place great importance on the House system at the school as this gives all of our students the opportunity to contribute and be recognised for their efforts and achievements. We are pleased to announce the final total of points achieved for 2021/22. Congratulations to Keller House and Mr McQueen - Head of House. In September, all Houses will start with 0 points again and there will be a new Year of students, so everything will be to play for.

Keller	Warwick	Galileo	Hereward	Turner	Mays
460,653	405,992	402,849	393,362	392,068	365,353

The summer holidays can sometimes be a worrying time for some students and parents. With this in mind, I would like to remind you that we will continue to have our 'feeling worried' email tab on our school website. This is now at the front of our school website for convenience. This email address will be monitored throughout the summer holidays (not 24 hours). Please use this email to report any concerns about a student over the summer period. One of our safeguarding team will respond to you and support you, where necessary. If you require urgent support for a student, you can contact Lincolnshire Children's Services on 01522 782111 or the NSPCC helpline on 0800 800 5000.

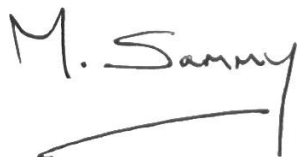
I am incredibly proud to be leading Bourne Academy and the highlights mentioned above provides just a short snapshot of life at our school.

I am looking forward to welcoming our students back in the new academic year and I have listed below the arrangements for the start of the academic year:

- Tuesday 6th September 2022 for Years 7, 10 and 11 only
- Wednesday 7th September 2022 Years 8 and 9 will return (all students are expected to be in school)

Finally, I would like to thank parents and carers for your continued support to ensure your child continues to flourish at Bourne Academy and I wish you and your family a restful and safe summer holiday.

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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