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# Head of School

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

Following a thorough interview process with Miss Double (Head of Sixth Form / Assistant Headteacher) and myself, I am pleased to introduce our new Head Students for this academic year. Year 13 students Anna Paskin, Lewis Jackson, Leona Fenwick and Mason Bussey will be important representatives for the school and role models to other students who they can relate to and seek help and guidance from.

Over the past few weeks, all Trust schools have had their respective Open Evenings which has been a resounding success. All four of our Head Students attended the Open Evenings to provide support and to welcome prospective parents/carers and students to each school. We are privileged to have such a strong calibre of students in our Sixth Form and our newly appointed Head Students are excellent ambassadors for Bourne Academy and the South Lincolnshire Academies Trust.



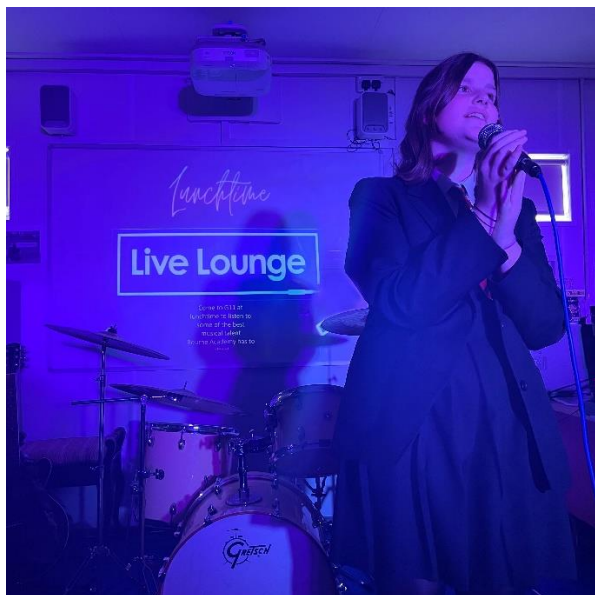
Last academic year, many academic and extra-curricular activities were able to resume following the Covid pandemic. Two of these popular activities were DEAR time (Drop Everything And Read) and the Lunchtime Live Lounge performances.

We initially launched DEAR time for our Year 7 cohort which provided further opportunities for students to read widely and often. As a result of this successful initiative, we offered this opportunity to our Year 7 students. This week, all students in Years 7 and 8 took the opportunity to 'drop everything' to spend time reading and gaining a deeper insight into their respective subject areas.



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The Lunchtime Live Lounge sessions attracts a wide audience who love to listen to live music. The musical talent we have at Bourne Academy is impressive and the Lunchtime Live Lounge sessions that took place on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022 did not disappoint. Ms O'Brien provides this platform for students to develop their musicianship by performing to peers and to build confidence in a relaxed environment. It was particularly special to hear from some of our music staff who graced the audience with their musical talents!



It is customary to mention the recent sporting achievements of our talented students. This week, Ms Coles and Mrs Pickard took the Year 10 Girls Netball team to play in the first round of the National Netball competition (Sisters in Sport) against Louth Academy. Playing unknown opposition is always a daunting prospect, however, our girls started strongly, gaining an early lead of four goals in the first quarter. Louth Academy responded and had a good run in the second quarter to close the gap. However, the team determined not to lose their lead went out after the half time to prove their worth and dominated the opposition resulting in overall victory (35 - 16). This was a great first result and a confidence boost to take into the second round of this prestigious competition.

In addition to this achievement, I am pleased to inform you that we had another fantastic triumph with our Year 10 Boys Football team reaching the third round of the U15 National Cup beating Bourne Grammar School on penalties. A special mention goes to Jack Sutton who scored four goals in two games. I look forward to hearing of further success as Mr Dennis' team take on Boston Grammar School in the next round.

Yesterday evening Mr Hind (Deputy Executive Headteacher) and Mr Butterworth (KS4 Lead) delivered a presentation to our Year 10 students and parents/carers with the theme of 'How to Succeed at GCSE'. The presentation was informative, engaging and interactive, allowing parents/carers and students to gain a greater understanding of GCSE life at Bourne Academy.

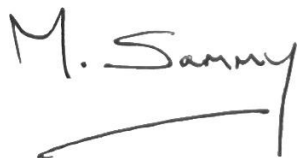
The evening provided an opportunity for parents/carers to understand the assessment processes, as well as key dates for the diary. The importance of attendance, as well as practical tips for exam revision were shared to ensure students are well placed for upcoming Pre-Public Examination (PPE) and actual examinations. Highlights of the evening included an interactive quiz in which parents/carers and students could win prizes, culminating in a group task focusing on revision mapping.

It was a thoroughly enjoyable evening and my thanks go to Mr Butterworth and Mr Hind for planning and delivering this very useful event.

Finally, I would like to inform you of some changes regarding our Pastoral Year Leads. I can confirm Mrs Crowson has moved to become the new Pastoral Year 10 lead and Miss Woodward will be taking over as the new Pastoral Year 8 Lead. You can continue to contact the Year Leads using the respective ~ Year Lead email tabs as normal.

I wish you all a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards,



**Mr Matt Sammy**

Head of School, Bourne Academy

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## Upcoming key dates



Years 10 & 11 from all schools in the local area are welcome to our

# SIXTH FORM Open Evening

**Thursday 17th November 2022**  
6.00pm to 8.00pm

**SAVE THE DATE**

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