



Head of School

Friday 21st October 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

As we draw a close to the first term of this academic year, I would like to thank parents/carers for your continued support to ensure our students come well prepared for their learning. It has been a very positive term and I am pleased to see our highest of standards and expectations are upheld in all areas of school life. We know that school attendance over the past few years has been impacted as a result of the pandemic, but maintaining high levels of attendance is one of our priorities. Although our attendance figure is above the national picture, I would like to encourage parents/carers to continue sharing our expectation of excellent attendance with your child. I would like to share the graphic below which indicates the impact of missed days:

The effect of absence on progress					
A whole year has 365 days; a school year has 190 days. That leaves 175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping and other appointments.					
No absence	10 days absence	12 days absence	19 days absence	29 days absence	38 days absence
190 days of education	180 days of education	178 days of education	171 days of education	161 days of education	152 days of education
100%	95%	94%	90%	85%	80%
Excellent	Very good	Worrying		Serious Concern	



This week our Year 10 Geography students visited Lincoln to gather data for the human fieldwork element of the GCSE course. Students were investigating urban regeneration in the city centre, to compare the castle/cultural district, the main shopping area and Brayford waterfront. Students carried out data collection techniques including public questionnaires, land-use surveys, environmental quality surveys and pedestrian counts. Students also enjoyed a walk on Lincoln castle's historic walls in order to gain a perspective of the city layout below. Despite the rain, students were impeccably behaved and were a credit to the school. Members of the public commented on how polite and well-mannered our students were, despite the challenging conditions. We hope the weather will be better when the next cohort completes their field trip visit to Lincoln on Monday 31st October 2022.



Next term we are looking forward to a number of events, not least that it will be the build up to Christmas!

On Remembrance Day (Friday 11th November 2022) all students will take the opportunity to pay their respect by partaking in a one-minute silence at 11am. Poppies will be on sale in the lead up to this day and we are hopeful that many students will be purchasing poppies to wear on their uniform. Additionally, members of the Senior Leadership Team and the Head Students will be attending the Remembrance Sunday parade in Bourne Town Centre on Sunday 13th November 2022.

Friday 18th November 2022 will see students across our school supporting 'Children In Need' by wearing non-uniform and therefore raising money for this worthy cause. Furthermore, we will also be holding a student bake sale which will be exciting and I'm hoping students will be thinking about their plans for this over the half term break.

I wish you all a pleasant half-term break.

We come back to school on Monday 31st October 2022.

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.

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

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