

Head of School

Friday 6th January 2023

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

Happy New Year! I trust you and your family had a lovely Christmas break.

It was excellent to welcome our students back to school this week and I have been very pleased with how settled our students have returned. I have taken the opportunity to visit many lessons over the past three days and the calm and purposeful atmosphere has been admirable to see. Moreover, our Strike Card draw took place in each assembly and students who received no negatives on their strike cards were placed in the draw to receive a £15 voucher. In addition to the Strike Card draw, we celebrated our top achievers of the week which allowed these students to receive public recognition for their hard work. I would like to offer my congratulations to all our student winners.

Over the Christmas period, staff have been marking the Pre-Public Examination (PPE) mock papers which students completed in the final two weeks of last term. On Thursday 19th January 2023, Year 11 students will have a mock exam results assembly which will take place in the School Hall. This special assembly will aim to replicate the exam results day which is usually held in the summer term of each academic year. In addition to this, I would like to give you advance notice of the upcoming Year 11 Parents Evening which will be taking place on Thursday 26th January 2023. More details relating to this important evening will be shared nearer the time. It will also be an important time for many of our Year 11 students as the National Tutoring Programme (NTP) will be commencing next week. This will provide additional opportunities to enhance their intervention and revision to support their academic studies.

We know that many students and adults have fallen poorly over the Christmas break and we saw how attendance was impacted even before the Christmas holiday. As such, our school medical team work closely with NHS Lincolnshire Community Health Services to ensure that our students are protected with vaccinations against flu and other illnesses. Information about these vaccinations have already been sent to parents/carers of students in Years 7, 8 and 9; however, for further information, please do visit our website which provides further details of the immunisation programme.

www.bourneacademy.org/student-vaccinations-2023

Finally, I would like to inform you that Miss Eddie Mears will be leaving Bourne Academy today for pastures new. Miss Mears was the Pastoral Year Lead for Year 7 and previously the Pastoral Lead for Year 8. Miss Mears will be missed by the many students who received her support and guidance over the past four years and we wish Miss Mears all the very best in her new ventures. We are currently in the



process of recruiting for a new Pastoral Year Lead, however, in the meantime, Miss Jade McCarthy (current Year 9 Lead) will be taking over the roles and responsibilities for Year 7. I want to reassure parents and carers of Year 9 students that within this interim period until we find a replacement, pastoral matters will still be overseen by Miss McCarthy and Mr Bryan. Parental enquiries can still be made via the Year 9 email tab and will be responded to accordingly.

Kindest regards,

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