



BOURNE  
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# Head of School

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

What a final week of term it has been! There have been many highlights over the past week I would like to share with you.

This morning, we hosted a rewards morning for students in Years 7 and 8 for their excellent attitude to learning in school combined with excellent attendance. Our highest achievers in these combined categories received a 'Bourne Cinema Experience'! Students enjoyed the morning with a film, drink and cookie as a reward for working hard throughout the term. We will be rewarding Year 9 students in the same way following the Easter break.



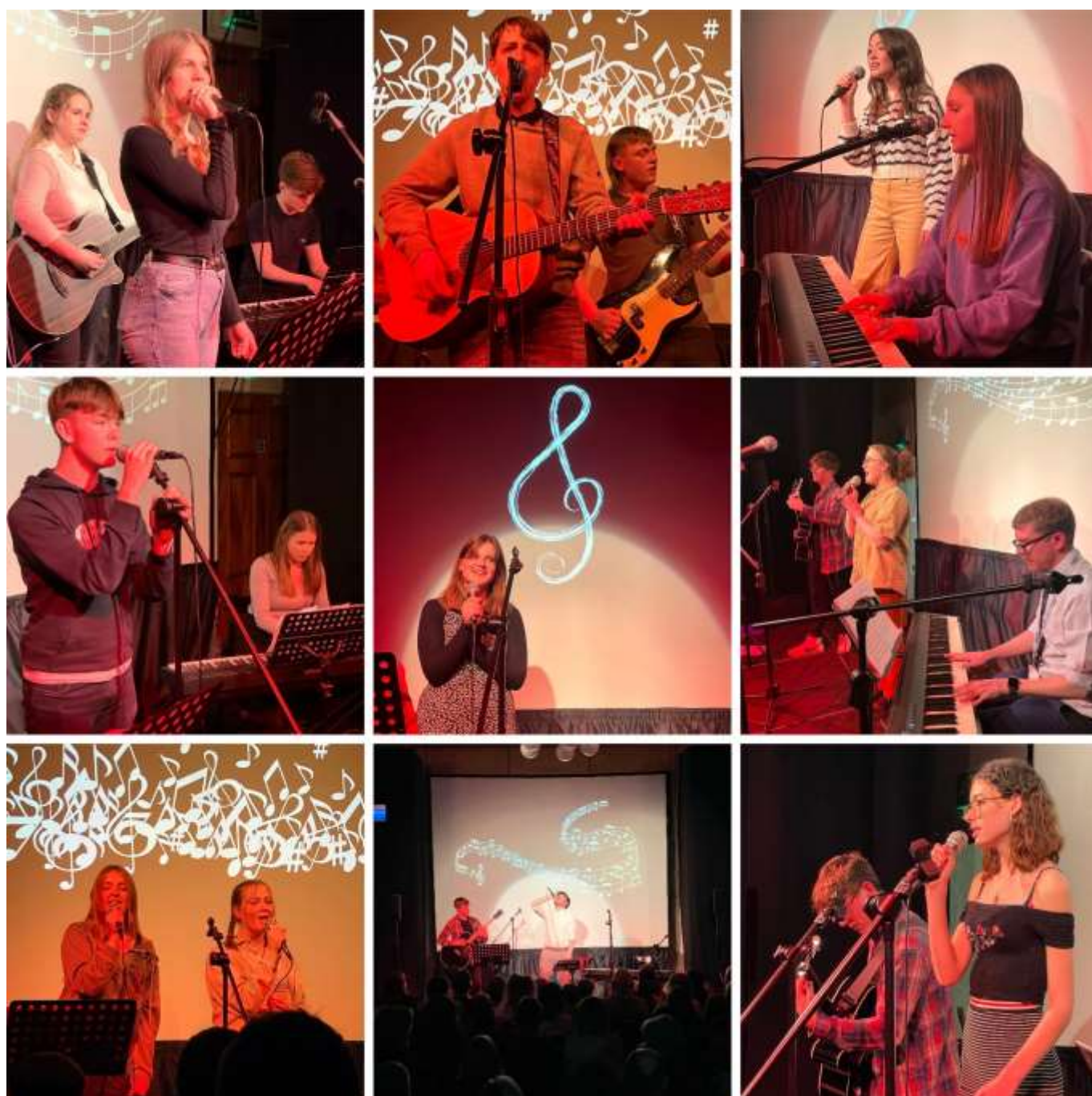
In addition to the Key Stage 3 rewards morning, our Year 10 Prefects enjoyed a delicious breakfast in our usual round of 'Prefect Breakfasts'. This was an opportunity for Mr Butterworth and Mrs Crowson to thank our Prefects for the work they have done so far. The role of a Prefect provides leadership opportunities to our students and enables a strong student leadership presence around our school.



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On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2023, we had two evening events. Firstly, we had our Year 11 Exam Success Revision evening which was hosted by Mr Hind and myself. The well attended evening provided students and parents/carers the opportunity to gain a further insight into the final period of revision for the upcoming GCSE exams. True to style, Mr Hind provided a very entertaining and interactive presentation to ensure all our students could remember the top 10 tips for success. It is a very important time of year for our Year 11 students and we very much appreciate the support from all of the parents in best preparing your child in readiness for the summer examination period.

On the same evening, I had the pleasure to visit The Old Town Hall to enjoy an evening of music at an Open Mic Night. The event had been six months in the planning with Georgina Stevenson in Year 10 and Nicky Ferguson from The Old Town Hall. With the help of Mr Brindley, Mr Swinn and Miss Sanderson as well as the support of our students – a fantastic line-up of musical talent was assembled. The event was sold out in advance and the audience were treated to a set of 20 songs with soloist and band performances covering pop, indie and musical theatre genres and even performing original songs. Well done to all of the students who put on memorable performances and especially Georgina Stevenson for helping to organise the event, which raised £450 towards restorations projects for The Old Town Hall.



The Year 10 PPE period has now finished and I would like to thank all of our Year 10 students for their conduct and behaviour throughout their various examinations. This has been an excellent trial run for their real examinations in Year 11. Year 10 students will be receiving their results following the Easter holiday period and this will be a good indicator as to the progress that has been made for each student and their next steps.

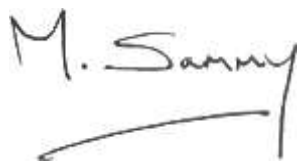
As mentioned in my newsletter last week, our Easter Revision Sessions will take place in school over the holiday period for our Year 11 and Year 13 students. The deadline has now passed to sign up, therefore all students should have now planned for the sessions they are attending. Members of the Senior Leadership Team will be popping into the various sessions and handing out some little treats for those attending!

I would like to highlight some staffing changes which will take place at the beginning of next term. We have Mr Watson, Mr Nolan and Mrs Lawson leaving us today to pursue their new ventures and I would like to thank them for their service to the students of Bourne Academy. When we return after the Easter break, we welcome the following members of staff: Mr Housey (Head of PE), Ms Wells (Science) and Ms Beedell (Maths). We are also very pleased to be welcoming Miss Hamdouni (MFL) back to Bourne Academy.

Finally, I would like to remind all students that the worried email tab [worried@bourneacademy.org](mailto:worried@bourneacademy.org) will be active throughout the holiday period. Please reassure your child that if they need any safeguarding support or advice to please utilise this email address which will be able to advise on the next steps.

Thank you for your continued support and I wish you all a very Happy Easter. I look forward to welcoming our students back to school on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

Kindest regards,



**Mr Matt Sammy**

Head of School, Bourne Academy

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