



BOURNE  
ACADEMY

# Head of School

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

## UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

This week has seen a number of events taking place which has enabled our school community to come together to celebrate the achievements of our young people across the school.

On Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2023, we said farewell to our Year 13 cohort as they began their period of study leave. Our most senior students at Bourne Academy are truly inspirational and have supported many of our younger students in so many different ways. An assembly delivered by Miss Double (Head of Sixth Form) was very fitting and enabled students to even receive some humorous awards! Mrs Conley and I took the opportunity to offer our thanks and well wishes. Additionally, Mrs Barber distributed Prom tickets to those who purchased a ticket for this much anticipated event taking place on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2023. We are proud of our Year 13 students and join in their excitement as they look forward to their next steps of education or employment.

It was also another day of celebration as we took the opportunity to say a 'temporary' goodbye to our Year 11 cohort. We mentioned it was temporary, as many students are continuing their Post 16 studies in our Sixth Form. Mr Butterworth, Mr Hind and I delivered an assembly yesterday highlighting the importance of continuing with exam revision as our students have now reached the half-way point of the formal summer examination series. However, the assembly provided an opportunity for students to say thank you to key members of staff who have supported them throughout their educational journey. Miss Lynas made a very fitting tribute which was certainly appreciated by all her Year 11 students. The usual activities of shirt signing, coupled with a complimentary ice-cream in the sunshine was also the perfect way to finish the term. Students will continue to focus on their remaining GCSE exams and will be looking forward to the Prom which will take place on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

I would like to draw your attention to a safeguarding element we have added to our website to support our young people. We know that students can be drawn to and influenced by risky behaviours. NSPCC have created a reporting tool for any young person who has taken a 'nude' photograph which has been shared online. On [www.bourneacademy.org/safeguarding](http://www.bourneacademy.org/safeguarding) we have added a new Report Remove button, this will take you to a reporting form where support will be allocated to your case from the NSPCC team. We will be delivering this information to all students during assemblies on the first week of next term.



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In last week's newsletter, I highlighted how popular our competitions are across the school. Last Friday we had the staff bake-off which was once again very competitive. Mrs Roche set the technical challenge which certainly put our Heads of Houses through their paces. Congratulations to Mr McQueen (pictured below on the left) who was triumphant in his bake and secured first place!



This Tuesday saw the turn of our students in baking action. The change to focaccia from the usual Victoria sponge was a stroke of genius and provided an appropriate challenge to our students who took part. It was excellent to see students from each House competing against each other and most of all, having fun. Although Mr Dennis' individual bake last year was a disaster and rather memorable, he was very proud to see Purple House (pictured above on the right) crowned as the winners in this year's competition. Congratulations to everyone who took part!

Trips and visits form an integral part to our wider curriculum provision. On Monday, over 50 of our Year 10 art students had the fantastic opportunity to visit the Tate Britain and Tate Modern in London. Although this was not an essential curriculum trip, it provided students an opportunity to experience the wealth of historical and contemporary works of art both Tate galleries have to offer, as well as a boat ride on the River Thames.

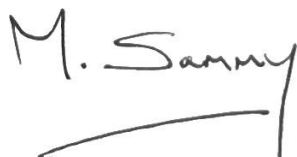


As we have drawn Term 5 to a close, I would like to thank all students, staff and parents/carers for contributing to our school in such a positive manner.

Please remember, all parents/carers and our students have access to our 'Feeling Worried' tab which is available on our website ([worried@bourneacademy.org](mailto:worried@bourneacademy.org)). This is monitored over the holiday period and we will respond to your email. If you feel there is an emergency safeguarding concern, please do not wait for an email response from the School, please always dial 999. We also have a wealth of wellbeing support on our school website for students to access during the holiday period.

I wish you all a very happy half-term break and I look forward to welcoming our students on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023 for the final term of this academic year.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "M. Sammy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke extending from the end of the name.

**Mr Matt Sammy**

Head of School, Bourne Academy

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