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# Head of School

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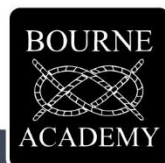
Dear parents/carers and students,

It has once again been another very busy week in the life of Bourne Academy.

Firstly, there is not long to go until our upcoming performances of **'Little Shop of Horrors'**, which will be taking place on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July, Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Tickets are £6 per person and can be purchased from: [www.ticketsource.co.uk/bourneacademy](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/bourneacademy)



Our week started with the Sports Day assemblies which took place during Period 1 on Monday. This was a great opportunity to acknowledge the successes from the recent Sports Day. It was a privilege to invite Mr Folk as our special guest for the morning. Mr Folk reflected on his time at Bourne Academy which spanned over 30 years and paid tribute to the dedication of the PE department who instils a love for sport to each student. Mr Folk congratulated all of our competitors and provided words of encouragement as they continue in their sporting endeavours. A large number of awards were presented to our students during the assembly and I am pleased to inform you that Keller House were overall champions. All student winners will be announced on our website next week.



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One of the most anticipated events of the year is the annual Year 11 Celebrations Prom, which took place at Springfield Events & Conference Centre on Wednesday evening. This event is such a special occasion and a fitting way to celebrate the end of a long examination series. As ever, our students arrived in style which ranged from tractors to a horse and carriage! Our students looked amazing and the entire event was a memorable moment. I would like to thank our Year 11 cohort for the last time who were an excellent year group and showed real determination in their gruelling examination period. I am incredibly proud of our students and I would like to thank all our staff who attended to support this important event.



Over last weekend, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award students ventured out to complete their practical element of the award. The DoFE is a fun programme of activities designed to build confidence and improve essential skills and attributes for life such as resilience, problem solving, teamwork and communication. A fantastic group of Year 10 students from across South Lincolnshire Academies Trust completed their qualifying expedition last weekend for their Bronze Award. This two-day trip involved a 10 mile walk each day carrying everything they needed for their expedition. Throughout the weekend the students were assessed on their expedition skills. This included navigation using a map and compass as well as reading the land around them, camp craft skills and the safe use of a stove to cook their evening meals.

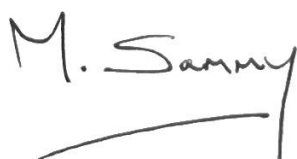


Miss Gemma Sanderson, The Duke of Edinburgh's Lead said *"The students all did exceptionally well in the warm conditions and should be very proud of themselves. All groups have successfully passed their expedition section after demonstrating some excellent navigation and camp craft skills."*

To achieve the Bronze Award, students have to complete four sections. Three of these are completed independently over a period of three or six months, then the fourth of which is the expedition section. The independent sections involve volunteering to support a local charity or organisation, learning a new skill and taking part in a physical activity. For Year 9 students who are interested in The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, they will be given more information about signing up at the end of the school year. This is such a worthwhile experience for our students. I would thank all our staff who supported our students over the weekend.

Finally, we had the privilege of welcoming students to Bourne Academy for the annual Year 6 Transition Day. Once again, it was so lovely to see the students involved in the various activities over the course of the day. We feel Transition Day is important for our prospective students as it provides the opportunity to make new friends and to meet Bourne Academy staff, including their Form Tutor and Head of Year. Many students commented on the friendly atmosphere and were grateful to the Year 7 buddies who supported this day so brilliantly.

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 at the end.

**Mr Matt Sammy**

Head of School, Bourne Academy

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