



BOURNE
ACADEMY

Head of School

Friday 29th September 2023

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

Yesterday evening we held our annual Open Evening which is always an exciting date in our diary. The Open Evening allows us to showcase the many great things Bourne Academy has to offer. We had over 1,600 prospective parents/carers and students who attended the talk from Mrs Conley (Chief Executive Officer) and myself, as well as to see the school in action. I am proud of our school community and it was lovely to see how many students who were willing to support throughout the evening - whether to support a teacher in a department, to be a student tour guide, or even to assist in the car park. My thanks go to all students and staff who once again showed how special Bourne Academy is. Look out for details from the Open Evening on our website and social media.

I took the opportunity to congratulate students in our Year 7 assembly on Wednesday this week for their excellent work relating to the 'Bridging Projects'. The projects were as part of the Year 6 into Year 7 transition programme and therefore provided an opportunity to win prizes for their fantastic efforts. The quality of the projects were to a high standard and although it was a difficult choice for Miss McCarthy to select the best projects, I am pleased to inform you of our winners:

Best Effort

- Winner: Summer Childs
- Runner-up: Harrison Clarke

Best Presentation

- Winner: Noah Wareham
- Runner-up: Eva Dubbel

Overall Winner of Best Presentation and Effort

- Winner: Ava McAllister
- Runner-up: Maya Lelliot

You will be aware that we have a strong Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) curriculum at Bourne Academy. Over the past academic year, we have welcomed a number of external visitors who came to provide expert guidance and support to our students on a range of topical issues. It was therefore a pleasure to invite a representative from Lincolnshire County Council who delivered an assembly to our



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Year 9 students relating to vaping on Thursday. Our guest speaker delivered an insightful and informative presentation which provided our students with the background context of vaping and how influential this is in our current society. The presentation covered the dangers of vaping, but also gave practical advice when dealing with peer pressure. Our PSHE programme is mapped each academic year to ensure all of our students are receiving pertinent and age-appropriate information to continually build the personal development of our young people.

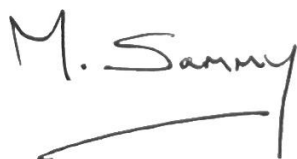
Next week is an exciting week as the Careers Team have planning the upcoming Careers Fair. In order to inspire our young people, we see this event as a fantastic opportunity for all our students to interact with employers and education providers, in order to feel inspired and to begin to investigate possible areas of interest that may lead to final career destinations. The fair will take place in the Sports Hall and School Hall on Thursday 5th October 2023 and will be open throughout the day to all year groups. We are inviting students to return with their families between 3.30pm to 4.30pm where exhibitors will have information on their own job opportunities as well as being able to discuss careers in more detail and offer advice to students and parents.

Continuing with the careers theme, our Year 7 students developed their understanding of potential career pathways through an interactive assembly led by Mrs Barber earlier this week. During this special assembly, students had the opportunity to play the classic game - 'Play Your Cards Right'! This game enabled students to guess the average salaries of a wide range of jobs which further enhanced the knowledge of the wide range of careers that are available. It was certainly evident that our Year 7 cohort thoroughly enjoyed this session and started to gain inspiration of their potential future career.

Finally, staff at Bourne Academy supported the national Macmillan Coffee Morning which took place at breaktime today and raised over £250. We had an amazing selection of cakes provided by staff who have been busy baking during the week. Our staff were treated to a wide range of bakes, which included dairy free and gluten free. The cakes were thoroughly enjoyed and most importantly we were able to support a fantastic cause from the monies raised. I would like to thank all staff who contributed to this worthy cause and to Mrs Baker, our Head of Science, who co-ordinated this event. Some of the showstopper bakes will be available to see on website and social media.

I wish you all a lovely weekend.

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 the name.

Mr Matt Sammy

Head of School, Bourne Academy

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Upcoming key dates

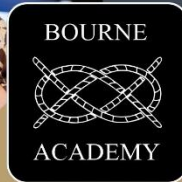


Years 10 & 11 from all schools in the local area are welcome to our

SIXTH FORM Open Evening

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DATE

Thursday 9th November 2023
6.00pm to 8.00pm



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