

Head of School UPDATE

Friday 19th January 2024

Dear parents/carers and students,

We have had another successful week at Bourne Academy.

Last Saturday, thirteen students from Bourne Academy represented the South Lincolnshire Superzone at the County Cross Country championships, held in the grounds of Burghley House. In fresh but bright and sunny conditions, the races were extremely competitive and had a large number of runners in all of the races. The courses were a mix of terrains; ranging from grass, muddy tracks and muddy fields. All our competitors put their all in to their races with some fantastic results. Ted Ash in Year 12 came 4th in the Senior Boys competition, which means he will now represent Lincolnshire at the Regional finals in February and the National finals in March. Finlay Smith in Year 8 came 7th in the Junior Boys race, which also means he will represent Lincolnshire at the Anglian championships and he also has a chance to qualify for the National finals in March. Jodie Walton came 12th in the Inter Girls race and qualifies for the Regional championships. The Year 7 trio of Stanley Millar (15th), Issac Mclean (16th) and Jack Burke (18th) will also represent Lincolnshire at the Anglian championships. Every competitor was a real credit to the school and performed with great determination in their races. Well done to all the runners.







On Thursday 19th January 2023, Mr Butterworth hosted a special assembly for our Year 11 students to receive their PPE Mock results. This set of PPE results will have given our students a realistic picture of what they may receive in the Summer. Students during our practice result sessions were either very happy



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or had a little reality check about what they now need to concentrate on for the summer examination season. Our Year 11 Parents' Evening will be taking place online on Thursday 25th January 2024 from 4.30pm to 7.30pm and parents are required to book their online appointments in advance. Year 11 is a crucial year with GCSE exams and coursework to be completed so this Parents' Evening will focus on discussing the progress with grades and where students need to prioritise their learning to get the best results in the summer.

From Monday, some of our Year 11 students will begin the National Tutoring Programme where individuals are assigned an online tutor to deliver revision materials to support and maximise their grade in a particular subject. All of the tutors are undergraduates that have undertaken a rigorous selection process to enable them to deliver lessons in their specialist subject area. The student feedback from last year was very encouraging and we hope that this, along with other platforms such as GCSEpod, will support engaging students in a different way of learning and preparation skills for their examinations.

Last week in the Head of School Update, we sent information out about our many extra-curricular and intervention opportunities. This week we would like to share some information about one of our amazing clubs. Drama Club is an inclusive supportive club that helps students grow independently and collaboratively. This takes place on Tuesday lunchtime in G12 for Years 7/8/9 and it is a great space for meeting and making friends with likeminded people who support each other to develop in Drama. It introducing a wide variety of skills and drama techniques, for example, script work, devising, stage presence, characterisation, physical theatre, improvising and focus activities. Last term, the students used teamwork through putting on a play as an ensemble. Last term, the club chose the script 'The Grinch' to work on and perform at the Winter Concert. This enabled the students to work towards a performance with a live audience, helping to build on their confidence and experience on stage. This term we have started a new project called devising, where students come up with their own ideas linked to a stimulus as their starting point - the stimulus this term is 'Growing up'.

Finally, we have a number of items of lost property in school which are unnamed. If your son/daughter has lost any item recently could you please encourage them to visit both the School Office and the PE office to claim anything that might belong to them.

Have a wonderful weekend.

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Kindest regards,

Bourne Academy

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- www.facebook.com/BourneAcademyLincs
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South Lincolnshire Academies Trust

RECRUITMENT ROADSHOWS

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If you are interested in discovering the opportunities available at **South Lincolnshire Academies Trust**, we would like to meet you at one of our Recruitment Roadshow events.

Due to an increase in student numbers and the rapid growth of our Trust, we will require more teaching and support staff this academic year and in September.

By attending, you will have the chance to make a positive impression and get a head start in working for our highly successful Trust to progress your career.

These events are for those who are interested in working at ANY of our Trust schools (Bourne Academy, Spalding Academy, Giles Academy and Cowley Academy).

Giles Academy

Church Road, Old Leake, Boston, Lincolnshire PE22 9LD

Tuesday 6th February • 5pm to 6.30pm

Spalding Academy

Neville Avenue, Spalding, Lincolnshire PE11 2EJ

Thursday 8th February • 5pm to 6.30pm

You can drop-in anytime between 5.00pm to 6.30pm for the opportunity to speak to our staff about the many teaching and support job vacancies that will be available. There is free parking on the school site and free refreshments will be served from 5.00pm.

To attend, you must register in advance - please visit: www.slat.org.uk/vacancies









