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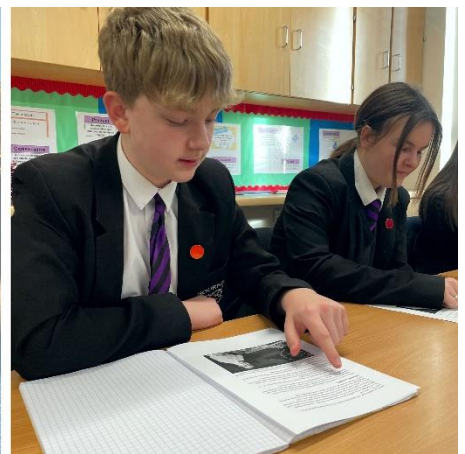
Friday 2nd February 2024

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

Where has this term gone? We cannot believe we only have one week left of Term 3! We have another very busy week.

On Thursday, we ran our popular DEAR Time sessions for Year 7 and 8, which stands for 'Drop Everything And Read'. This is where the whole class take turns to read a text and they then discuss what they have read to highlight key vocabulary and share their thoughts on the issues raised in the material. All classes focus on a different subject area so if they normally have an art, history or maths lesson, their reading text will be relevant to art, history, or maths. At Bourne Academy, we value reading as an enriching activity, which can make a profound difference to our students' lives. As well as this, we appreciate that regular reading is linked to a developing vocabulary and improved skills in writing and that both of these skills are vital to success in all curriculum areas and life beyond school.



We have welcomed a number of Year 11 students from Spalding Academy this week. These students have applied to the SLAT Sixth Form at Bourne Academy for the next stage of their education. Our visiting students had a tour of the school and were able to experience our sixth form facilities. They were able to drop into lessons, based on the subjects they have applied to study, and were introduced to the teaching staff, as well as being able to see what their chosen courses involve. Before leaving us to return to Spalding, students were given a personalised bar of chocolate as a thank you for visiting us.



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Year 11 are now working towards their forthcoming examinations, and it has been a positive week for attending lunchtime interventions sessions which we provide every day. We continue to encourage completing GCSEPod revision and using the revision resources we have provided. To encourage further for Year 11 students, we have launched the Loyalty Card which students will get signed every time they attend a revision class. There are plenty of prizes to be won!

On Tuesday this week and Thursday last week, over 200 of our Year 7 students took an educational trip to Peterborough to visit Peterborough Cathedral and the Faizan E Madina Mosque, which are two of the largest places of worship in the region. The event was organised so they were free of charge for all students to attend and designed to give them a greater understanding of places of worship as part of the Religious Studies and PSHE curriculum at Bourne Academy. Our students were welcomed by the Imam from the Faizan E Madina Mosque who gave a fantastic insight into the Muslim religion and why Mosques are an important part of the community. Then at the Cathedral, there were a series of workshop activities, so students could learn more about the Cathedral and Christianity. We are really grateful to both the Cathedral and Mosque for their time and the warm welcome they gave to our students, who were impeccably behaved and respectful throughout the visit.



This week some of our Year 10 students have started their PSA's for a variety of BTEC subjects. We have been incredibly proud of how hard the students have worked so far. Well done to everyone involved.

Our extra-curricular focus this week is the Computing Club, which is an inclusive supportive club that promotes using digital technology and applications independently. This takes place every day during lunch time in room D02 for Years 7 to 9. The club has been very popular and promotes creating and developing computing projects and find solutions to problems. Termly projects include programming in Scratch, Python, HTML, creative projects in Google Sketchup and gaming projects. At the end of the academic year, we nominate winners in each project and the winners are awarded shopping vouchers.

If you would like to work for our Trust (or know someone who may interested), there are two SLAT Recruitment Roadshows next week at Giles Academy (Tuesday 6th February from 5pm to 6.30pm) and

Spalding Academy (Thursday 8th February from 5pm to 6.30pm). Due to the Trust expanding in student numbers, facilities and curriculum, there are plenty of opportunities to join us. You can attend the roadshows if you want to work in any of the Trust schools and by attending one of these events, it can help you get a head start. To register to attend, please visit: www.slat.org.uk/recruitment-roadshow

Finally, as we head in to our final week of Term 3, I would like to remind parents and carers that we finish at 3.15pm on Friday 9th February 2024 for our one week holiday break.

We wish everyone a happy and restful weekend.

Kindest regards,

Bourne Academy

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- www.facebook.com/BourneAcademyLincs
- www.twitter.com/BourneSLAT



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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**



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