



BOURNE
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Head of School

Friday 22nd March 2024

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

As usual, we have had a very busy and successful week, ensuring our students get the best opportunities to challenge themselves to achieve their best.

The final SLAT Trust Games were held this week with our Year 7 teams going in to the final matches of the tournament. We are incredibly proud of the teams who competed. The results were really tight, but we are really pleased to announce that **Bourne Academy were crowned as overall winners of the tournament.** Well done to everyone who took part in this competition.

As part of our PSHE programme, on Wednesday we welcomed Catherine Kirk from The RSHE Service to present a one-hour assembly to the whole of Year 9 about Sexual Harassment. The RSHE Service specialise in working with schools to cover Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSHE).

I am pleased to share with you that our Year 12 and 13 students received their BTEC unit results yesterday. The results were very impressive in the various subjects which is a testament to the hard work shown by our students. Our Year 11 students also received their BTEC component 2 results. Remaining with examinations, I would like to remind parents and carers that we will be hosting our 'Easter Revision Sessions' during the Easter break for our Year 11 and Year 13 students. The holiday sessions form an additional mechanism of support and we are pleased to see how many students have signed up for the respective sessions.

On Thursday we held our Year 11 Exams Success Evening, which was well attended. The evening focused on a variety of different strategies and last-minute key tips to success. Thank you for your support to those that attended.

We would like to wish good luck to our intrepid Year 11 students taking part in the practice expedition for their The Duke of Edinburgh's Silver Award this weekend. They have travelled to the Derbyshire Dales this morning and will return no doubt very weary on Sunday evening. We look forward to hearing how they get on.

This week you will have received a separate letter to inform you about a positive change with our tutor group structure. Due to the growth of the school and the benefits of this change we are moving to year group tutor groups rather than the current vertical groups. In the letter it outlines the reasons for the change for example - to improve transition for Year 7 students rather than having a mix of Year 7 and 8 students in one group.



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We would like to showcase another of our very popular extra-curricular clubs this week. The Maths 'Puzzles & Games Club' is open to KS3 students and is an opportunity for students to work together on a range of fun puzzles and games. The club runs in D05 on a Tuesday lunchtime with Mrs Beedell and new members are always welcome. The activities include 2D and 3D spatial awareness puzzles, where students need to rearrange shapes into certain patterns. There are Sudoku puzzles and games with a mathematical element such as Monopoly style trading game, and Rumikub, which is a strategic game where numbers must be placed into groups or runs. Students of all abilities are welcome, and although the games require strategy and logic, the games are not overtly mathematical, so it is not like coming to another Maths lesson!

Next week, we have another very busy week with the following events:

- Inter House Sport for Year 8 on Monday 25th March, Year 9 on Tuesday 26th March, Year 10 on Wednesday 27th March and Year 7 on Thursday 28th March 2024.
- Year 13 Parents Evening will be taking place online via the 'School Cloud' system on Wednesday 27th March 2024.
- Rewards film for our Aspire Passport winners on Wednesday 27th March 2024.
- Our new Year 10 prefects will be able to enjoy their first Prefect Breakfast on Wednesday 27th March 2024.

Finally, I would like to remind all parents and carers that next week we finish Term 4 on Thursday 28th March 2024 at 3.15pm. This completes the Spring Term and we return to school again for the Summer Term on Tuesday 16th April 2024.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards,

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