

Head of School

Friday 24th January 2025

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

We have had another successful week at Bourne Academy.

On Thursday, Mr Butterworth and the Year 11 team 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 Friday 24th January 2025 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 30th January 2025 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.

Intervention at Bourne Academy plays a crucial part in our ambition for all students to Aspire, Challenge and Achieve and in doing so to be resilient, lifelong learners, responsible citizens and prepared for the future. Intervention can take many different forms. Our Rapid Plus reading scheme which takes place at lunchtime provides invited students with the opportunity to improve their reading skills. We have many varied afternoon registration sessions such as Literacy, Numeracy and Lexonik which students mainly in Years 7 and 8 identified as requiring this additional support are invited to attend.

In addition as we approach the critical months of Year 11, we are committed to providing every student with the tools and support they need to achieve their best in their GCSE examinations. To that end, we implement a range of intervention strategies designed to target areas where students may need additional guidance or encouragement. These include lunchtime and after school revision sessions with specialist teachers, the option for students to engage with GCSEPod, subject specific afternoon registration sessions and support in assemblies on how best to organise their revision. Once again this year we will be offering subject specific sessions during the Easter and May half term breaks. Year 11 parents should look out for further information regarding these opportunities.

We ask for parental support in encouraging your children to make the most of the intervention and support on offer to them.



In sporting news, ten students from Bourne Academy represented the South Lincolnshire Superzone at the County Cross Country Championships, held at the Burghley House grounds. In freezing but bright and sunny conditions, the races were extremely competitive and had larger number of runners in all of the races. The courses were a mix of terrains; ranging from grass, tracks and frozen fields. All our competitors put their all in to their races with some fantastic results. Ted Ash in Year 13 came 2nd in the Senior Boys competition, which means he will now represent Lincolnshire at the Regional Finals on the 1st February 2025 and the National Finals in Sussex on 15th March 2025. Finlay Smith in Year 9 came 8th 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 22nd in the Inter Girls race and just misses out in qualifying. Tristain Atkins also just missed out on qualifying as he came 21st in his Junior boys race. Every competitor was a real credit to the school and performed with great determination in their races, despite the freezing conditions. Well done to all the runners.

Earlier this week, we announced that we are holding a 'Get Into Teaching' event on Wednesday 12th March 2025 at Spalding Academy to inspire future teachers. This is an fantastic opportunity for anyone who wants to work as a teacher at any of the schools in our Trust or in other secondary schools in Lincolnshire, Rutland and Peterborough. We are running this event as the Trust are now one of the Lead Partners for Lincolnshire ITT. To attend, please visit www.slat.org.uk/vacancies to register in advance.



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AT SPALDING ACADEMY

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On Friday after school, we hosted a Sixth Form versus Staff charity quiz, led by our Mr Hind and Mrs Barber who were the quiz masters! The lively event brought together students and teachers, for an evening of fun, learning, and philanthropy. The questions were a variety of topics, including history, science, pop culture, and sports, ensuring there was something for everyone. The event successfully raised funds for our Sixth Form charity Jeans for Genes.

Finally, I would like to remind you if your child has lost any item recently, could you please encourage them to visit decking near the canteen, their Year Leads or PE office to claim anything that might belong to them. I would encourage you to name your child's items, so we can reunite them with their lost items.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards,



Mrs Jemma Curson

Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Head of School, Bourne Academy

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South Lincolnshire Academies Trust (SLAT) are now one of the **Lead Partners for Lincolnshire ITT** and can talk to you about starting your teaching journey with us. At this 'Get Into Teaching' event, which will be held at Spalding Academy, you will discover how you can gain a recognised teaching qualification with our one-year school centred Initial Teacher Training.

If any of the following applies to you, you will benefit from attending:

- Recently gained a Level 6 undergraduate degree (e.g. BA, BSc, BEd, BEng) in any subject
- Currently studying a Level 6 undergraduate degree (e.g. BA, BSc, BEd, BEng) in any subject
- Currently studying A-levels or Level 3 BTECs and wanting to get into teaching
- Wanting to change career and become a teacher
- Working in a non-teaching role within a school or college environment and wanting to get into teaching

You could train either at the schools in our highly successful Trust (Bourne Academy, Spalding Academy, Giles Academy and Cowley Academy) or at a variety of other secondary schools in the Lincolnshire, Rutland and Peterborough areas.

This event starts at 5.30pm where there will be a presentation then the opportunity to speak to staff informally. You will learn about the different training pathways, entry requirements and details about student finances. We will cover school placements, the course content, support available plus timescales. We can also provide help so you can successfully apply.

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