

Head of School

Friday 12th September 2025

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

We've had a fantastic start to the academic year here at Bourne Academy, and our second week has been filled with energy, achievement, and celebration!

On Wednesday evening, we proudly hosted our very first **SLAT House Celebration Evening**, followed by the **SLAT Upper School Awards Evening** on Thursday at the Springfields Events & Conference Centre in Spalding. It was a privilege to recognise the accomplishments of students from across all the different Year groups at Bourne Academy, alongside those from the other schools in the Trust. With over 300 attendees at each event, the atmosphere was truly inspiring. You will be able to find photos and full coverage of both evenings on our website and social media platforms by the end of today.



All students have now completed their first full week back, and I'd like to extend a heartfelt thank you for your continued support - especially in helping us maintain our high expectations around uniform. It's wonderful to see our students arriving each day looking smart and ready to learn.



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We're incredibly proud of the fantastic start all our SLAT Sixth Form students have made this term at Bourne Academy. In particular, our 175 new Year 12 students have settled in brilliantly - bringing fresh energy, enthusiasm, and ambition to our Sixth Form community. It's been especially rewarding to welcome those joining us from other schools, who have quickly embraced our values and made a positive impression. Their commitment to learning and engagement in lessons has been outstanding, and we're excited to see what they will achieve in the months ahead

On Thursday, our school photographers were in to take individual portraits of all students. They were full of praise for our students' presentation and manners - an excellent reflection of our school values. Details on how to order photographs will be sent home shortly via InTouch.

Looking ahead, we're excited to announce our annual Open Evening will take place on **Thursday 25th September 2025**, from 5.30pm to 8.00pm. This event is designed for families with children in Years 4 to 6 and offers a brilliant opportunity to explore what Bourne Academy has to offer. If you know any families with children in Years 4 to 6, please help us spread the word about this important evening. Our student ambassadors will be on hand to guide visitors and share their experiences. If your child is interested in volunteering, please keep the date in mind and permission letters have been sent out this week.

The poster features a photograph of a smiling female student in a school uniform sitting at a desk. To the right of the photo, on a dark blue background, is the text: 'Prospective students in years 4 to 6 and their parents/carers are invited to our'. Below this is the large yellow text 'Open Evening'. To the right of 'Open Evening' is a white star with the text 'SAVE THE DATE' in yellow. Below 'Open Evening' is the text 'Thursday 25th September 2025' and '5.30pm to 8.00pm'. At the bottom, on a yellow background, is the text 'Aspire • Challenge • Achieve'. The Bourne Academy logo, which consists of a stylized 'B' and the words 'BOURNE ACADEMY', is positioned to the left of the date and time information.

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As always, we want to remind students and families that support is available outside of school hours. If a student is feeling anxious or needs help, they can contact our Safeguarding Team via worried@bourneacademy.org or use the 'Feeling worried or anxious?' link on our school website homepage - www.bourneacademy.org/feeling-worried-or-anxious.

A quick reminder that students should be on-site by 8.35am. Anyone arriving after this time (unless travelling by school bus) will receive a late mark. I've been visiting classrooms throughout the week and have been so impressed by the focus, enthusiasm, and engagement shown by our learners.

Finally, we cannot overstate the importance of excellent attendance. Being in school every day makes a huge difference - not only to academic success, especially at GCSE level, but also to personal growth and social development. Please continue to encourage your child to attend regularly.

Thank you once again for your support. Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Kindest regards,

James Hind.

Mr James Hind

Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Head of School, Bourne Academy

Upcoming key dates



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

SLAT SIXTH FORM Open Evening

Thursday 13th November 2025
6.00pm to 8.00pm

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- www.instagram.com/BourneAcademy
- www.facebook.com/BourneAcademyLincs
- www.x.com/BourneSLAT