

Head of School UPDATE

Friday 30th January 2026



Dear parents/carers and students,

Thank you to everyone who attended the Year 11 Online Parents' Evening last night. It was extremely well attended and provided a valuable final opportunity for an informative discussion before students enter their formal examinations.

Year 11 students received their PPE results last week. Following a detailed review of every student's performance, we have made adjustments to ensure targeted support is in place. As a result, students may now have a different tutor during registration time, as these sessions have become subject specific intervention groups. This approach allows us to deliver tailored support from subject specialists in the lead up to the exams. Students in Years 9, 10 and 11 also have full access to GCSEPod, an effective and highly recommended revision resource.

The Stay Safe Partnership at Lincolnshire County Council will be running a FREE Parent Webinar in conjunction with Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 10th February 2026 from 6pm to 7pm. The theme of the webinar will be 'AI - The Good, The Bad, The Ugly'. Artificial Intelligence (AI) is a hot topic and is now part of everyday life - from homework helpers to fun creative tools. But how can parents make sure it's used safely and wisely? Learn how AI can support learning and creativity as well as what to watch out for, like chatbots and misinformation. The webinar will also provide simple tips for family conversations and using parental controls. This will be highly informative and aimed at parents (and relevant to adults/teachers with an interest in AI) to help them understand both the opportunities and the risks. There will be an opportunity to ask questions at the end of the webinar. To book your place and get the Microsoft TEAMS link to the webinar, please visit: www.tickettailor.com/events/staysafepartnership/2024139

Our Aspire Reward scheme continues to be very successful as students endeavour to complete their first or next badge by demonstrating a commitment to challenging themselves to complete a range of tasks in and outside of the home. It was fantastic this week to reward so many students with their new Aspire badge for successful completion of their passport. Congratulations to all students who have this week secured their Aspire badge!



Well done also to our selected Year 10 student mathematicians who took part in the UK Intermediate Maths Challenge this week - a brilliant opportunity to take part in this incredibly challenging competition. We are currently awaiting the results - I look forward to updating you.

At Bourne Academy, we are proud to be a Reading School, where reading is central to our culture. Students in Years 7 and 8 take part in daily form time reading to help build confidence, vocabulary and a lifelong love of books. We also use Accelerated Reader, which supports students in choosing appropriately levelled books, tracking their progress and celebrating their achievements. Thank you for supporting your child's reading journey at home.

Congratulations to the following students who are our Accelerated Reader winners in Term 2:



Blue House

- Meeting Points Target: Theo Phillips
- 100% on a Reading Quiz: Harley Rose
- Completed Reading Bookmark: Leo Soilleux

Orange House

- Meeting Points Target: Archie Arthur
- 100% on a Reading Quiz: Chloe Wright
- Completed Reading Bookmark: Elliot Cowie

Red House

- Meeting Points Target: Ryley Dineen
- 100% on a Reading Quiz: Alfie Briggs
- Completed Reading Bookmark: Alfie McCrossan

Green House

- Meeting Points Target: Eloise Evans
- 100% on a Reading Quiz: Riley Hull
- Completed Reading Bookmark: James Kelham

Purple House

- Meeting Points Target: Eli Moore
- 100% on a Reading Quiz: George Brampton
- Completed Reading Bookmark: Ruby Bushell

This term has been full of energy, with students taking part in a wide range of sports events and enrichment opportunities - from competitive fixtures to creative workshops and Live Lounge professional performances from our student musicians (photo below)! It has been wonderful to see students challenging themselves, discovering new interests, and celebrating one another's achievements. It is also fantastic to see so many students committed to rehearsals for our summer show - I am really looking forward to seeing the live performances.



Congratulations to our Year 7 Boys Football Team who reached the County Cup Quarter Finals after a dramatic penalty shootout against Branston Community Academy. When the game ended 3-3, it then went to extra time and then to penalties. Bourne Academy held their nerve brilliantly, scoring four well taken penalties and showing impressive composure under pressure. A couple of crucial saves from our goalkeeper sealed a 4-3 victory and sparked celebrations from the players and staff. Well done the whole team!

Student wellbeing remains at the heart of everything we do. Our Student Wellbeing Charter sets out our commitment to supporting the mental health and wellbeing of every learner across the South Lincolnshire Academies Trust. The charter is available on our website within the Student Wellbeing section, where families can explore the full range of pastoral, literacy, careers, enrichment and Young Carer support available.

I hope you have a fantastic weekend.

Kindest regards,



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