

Head of School UPDATE

Friday 13th February 2026



Dear parents/carers and students,

This week we have held a series of breakfast events to recognise students' hard work, commitment to school life, and the additional responsibilities some take on at home as Young Carers.

On Tuesday, we held our first Young Carers Breakfast. This event provided an opportunity to acknowledge the extra time and care these students give to supporting family members. Students were invited to enjoy a pastry and hot drink, along with some extended time in the morning. Our next Young Carers Breakfast will take place in Term 4 on Thursday 26th March 2026. Further information about Young Carer support can be found on the school website (www.bourneacademy.org/young-carers).

On Wednesday, we celebrated the completion of Year 11 Prefect duties with a Prefect Celebration Breakfast. Year 11 students have now handed over the baton to Year 10 students who have been selected for Temporary Prefect positions following successful applications. We are delighted to have awarded a large number of Year 10 students with this trial role, prior to the allocation of full prefect status. Congratulations to all Year 10 students who have received this important responsibility within the school.



On Thursday, our Sixth Form students were rewarded with a hot drink and pastry as part of our ongoing commitment to celebrate continued commitment and hard work to their studies.

Also on Thursday, we had the pleasure of welcoming 40 Year 11 students from Spalding Academy who have applied to the SLAT Sixth Form. With the summer exams around the corner, this has helped the Year 11 students plan ahead and be better prepared for when they start in September. They had a guided tour of the school visiting subject classrooms, met key staff and heard from former Spalding Academy students who are now at Sixth Form as well as having the opportunity to ask any questions throughout the day. Over 25% of the Year 11 students from Spalding Academy have now applied to the SLAT Sixth Form this year. The first of these visits took place this week, and the second visit will be after half term.

For our Bourne Academy Year 11 students and all applicants, we are currently holding our Sixth Form Information, Advice & Guidance (IAG) meetings with students and parents/carers. This is a key opportunity to discuss Sixth Form subject choices following on from the PPE2 mock exam results and potential career pathways. Thank for everyone who has attended so far, and we look forward to meeting those who have appointments scheduled for after half term.

As we approach the half-term break, I would like to remind parents and students about our safeguarding support available over the holiday period. If any student requires support for an out-of-school hours concern, we have a designated email address: worried@bourneacademy.org. This account is monitored during the holiday by designated staff. While responses may not be immediate due to the holiday period, please be reassured that support and guidance will be provided as soon as possible. Additional external safeguarding support and helplines can be found on: www.bourneacademy.org/safeguarding and wider wellbeing resources can be found on: www.bourneacademy.org/student-wellbeing-charter

Term 3 has been an excellent and rewarding term, and we look forward to welcoming all students back to school on Monday 23rd February 2026.

I hope you and your family have a wonderful half-term break.

Kindest regards,



Miss Katie Belcher

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