



**WISHING YOU ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Executive Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to our Autumn newsletter.

This has been a long and incredibly busy term as you will see from this edition and as we approach the end of another busy term and our thoughts turn to preparing for the festive season, it is a fitting time to reflect on the many successes and achievements we have celebrated since the start of the academic year as a school community and remind ourselves as to what makes Bourne Academy such a wonderful school. Our students continue to make us proud every day and in every way, be it through their participation in local and national events, their efforts to make a difference in the school community, or simply in the continued hard work and dedication they illustrate in their lessons.



I am sure you will agree that the variety of activities and events Bourne Academy has been involved in is truly impressive. There have been many individual student achievements as well as team successes and this newsletter is again packed full of events; trips and activities to celebrate. This includes the Rotary Chef Competition, where our young chefs had to cook a main course and desert for under £14 for two people. This event was won by Jodie Wisker in Year 10 and we wish her the best of luck in the next round at the Regionals in January 2020.

Additionally, this term brought the PSHE Day 1, which was a truly great success for all year groups. We see these collapsed days as being vital in enabling students to experience a wider view of both their community and the wider world. It was very positive to see Year 7 learning the importance of financial management and the Year 8 students practicing vital life-saving skills on mannequins provided by the British Heart Foundation. However, the most notable success on this day was the Careers Fair, where students from Year 7-10 were able to access over 30 companies and organisations. This Careers opportunity was inspirational and certainly supported our Raising Aspiration programme, there was certainly a 'buzz' around the school, with students being able to explore a wide range of future options. I would like to thank all of the staff, companies and wider industries that worked so hard on this day to support our young learners.

Our mock election day on 11 December, created another 'buzz' around the school, with a selection of Sixth Form students campaigning on behalf of the main political parties and holding a constructive debate on a variety of agenda points, such as education, the NHS, the environment and opportunities for young people. Students in all year groups had the opportunity to have a vote and to observe this event and our election was held in form group time, with the results interestingly mirroring the outcome of the General Election on the 12 December. It was important for us to involve our young people in this process as although they may be too young to vote, their opinions are important to us. I would like to thank the Sixth Form team and the students involved for providing such a lively, interesting and informed experience for the school.

This term has been a particularly busy one for Year 11, with the first Pre Public Examination (PPE) mock examinations and I would like to say well done to all of the students in this year group, their conduct and maturity has been exceptional and we look forward to seeing some successful outcomes when the results are shared in the PPE mock exams results session in January 2020.

I would like to draw your attention again to the SLATrust and Bourne Academy websites which were launched in September. These sites have developed at a very fast pace and the Bourne Academy website in particular has become the centre of all our communication due to it being very easy to access and with clear links to all newsletters, Twitter, Facebook and Instagram, so that we can showcase all the fantastic activities and events taking place at the school.

From January I would urge all parents / carers and past students to please take the time to start to sign up to our LinkedIn site, which will enable us to keep in touch with both current and past Bourne Academy learners and families.

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In addition, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parents and carers for your support of our Show My Homework (SMH) launch this term. I am delighted to report that we are at around 98% student usage at Bourne Academy and have well over 600 parents already signed up to the SMH programme. As you will now be aware, SMH will allow all students and parents / carers to view homework online, including through the very well-developed app and we will be following up with any parents who have further questions about SMH through the email tab:

showmyhomework@bourneacademy.org or via the parent evening events, where we will always have someone on hand to help parents with SMH. There have been very few teething problems, as you would expect with a launch such as this, but we are working through these so that any minor issues can be resolved promptly. As I have previously communicated, I fully sympathised with the frustration felt by many parents with our previous on-line homework system, Ruler and I think all will agree that the new Show My Homework system is already having a far greater and positive impact.

In my last newsletter I announced that we intended to expand the Bourne Academy Local Advisory Board and I am both pleased and excited to announce that, following the Parent Governor Elections this term, we have two new Parent Governors who will join this team in January 2020, for a four-year term:

- Phil Pettit
- Mark Rainbow

Additionally, we have held Staff Governor elections and I am pleased to announce that, following the Staff Governor elections, the following staff have been appointed who will join the team in January for a four-year term:

- Sarah Collinson – Director of Humanities / Geography as the Teaching Staff Governor
- Libby Barber - Careers Manager as the Support Staff Governor

Finally, I would like to share with all parents and carers that the wellbeing of our young people continues to be of paramount importance to us, so much so that although we view our systems for student support as being outstanding, we continue to put significant resources into the pastoral and behaviour areas of the school and we have now included student wellbeing as a key target in our whole school transformational plan, which is available on the website. We will always have the resources available to support parents and carers and will continue to work hard with our parents to deal with any issues as they arise or address any need for support promptly. Bourne Academy prides itself on our relationship with our parents and with the local community and we will continue to work hard to maintain these relationships. Please use the Year Group email tabs to raise any issues in the first instance, or email the Pastoral & Behaviour Manager, Mr Mark Bryan on: BryanM@bourneacademy.org with any questions or to report anything to the school.

All of our students continue to be a joy to work with and I would like to thank our parents and carers; for your support throughout this term and for believing in our school vision to provide an exceptional education for your child.

I wish you peace, joy and happiness this Christmas and a Happy New Year. I hope you have a wonderful break with your families and I look forward to welcoming all of our students back in 2020!

Kind regards,



Lucy Conley
Executive Head Teacher

Shakespeare meets Love Island

On 5 November a group of students from Years 8, 9 and 10 performed 'Much Ado About Nothing' at the Shakespeare for Schools Festival at the Key Theatre. The show was a huge success with our cast being greeted with wondrous applause and laughter.

The adaptation of 'Much Ado' was set on Love Island, using the famous Shakespearean text and layering it with a reality TV setting complete with diary entries and vote offs! The cast had great feedback from the organisers who spoke very highly of the performance and this speaks volumes about the fantastic talent we have here at Bourne Academy. Mr Wood, Head of Performing Art, said "It demonstrated and showcased the maturity, commitment and talent of the young people we have at Bourne Academy."

A huge well done to all involved, another fantastic year!



Black History Month

Tuesday 1 October 2019 marked the beginning of Black History Month at Bourne Academy. Black History Month happens during October every year and its main purpose is to celebrate the achievements of black people from all over the world. In order to help us celebrate this, we looked at a different black figure from history each week in form time and in History lessons.



Week one featured three black women working for NASA in the 1960s; Mary Jackson, Dorothy Vaughan and Katherine Johnson, who were celebrated in the film 'Hidden Figures'. Week two was the turn of William Cuffay, a former slave turned political activist who campaigned for working men's right to vote. Josephine Baker, entertainer/French spy in the 1920s, was under the spotlight once again in week three and last, but certainly not least, was John Edmonstone, a former slave turned lecturer who taught taxidermy to Charles Darwin.

Our pupils also had the opportunity to enter a competition to show who they thought was the 'Greatest Black Briton'. Their task – to investigate forgotten black British figures and create a project that demonstrates one figure who they think should be crowned the 'Greatest Black Briton'. This was an opportunity for our pupils to celebrate the diversity of history that Britain has to offer and the History Department received some excellent entries.



The pupils who entered showed a real passion for History and it was a very tough call on who the winners should be!

1ST Place: Zara Thiara-Mahmood

2ND Place: Grace Durrows

Honorable mentions:

Alex Walton, Jai Manzur, Sophie Clarke

Rotary Shoebox Scheme

During the first term the students and staff at Bourne Academy took part in the Rotary Shoebox Scheme. Rotary provided special strong shoeboxes that are then filled with items suitable for babies, young children, teenagers and elderly people. This scheme helps to spread a little happiness to those less fortunate than ourselves, as these boxes are delivered to refugee camps, hospitals, children's homes and poorer families in Eastern Europe.



Matt Leonard, Head of Boys PE, Head of House and organiser for this worthwhile cause challenged every form group in Bourne Academy to fill at least one shoe box, meaning that they would fill at least 60 boxes. The form groups could select any of the categories of people to help and each young person in each of the form groups were responsible for bringing an item, or two, to help fill their shoebox. Matt Leonard said "In just under 3 weeks of running the scheme, thanks to the amazing support from staff, students and parents we managed to fill in excess of 130 shoeboxes!! This really is a tremendous feat!"



The shoeboxes were collected on Tuesday 16 October and were taken to the Rotary warehouse in Preston where they were then sorted, packed and once a lorry was filled (approximately 12,000 boxes), they were transported to Eastern Europe.

As a school, we hope this is an initiative that we can support each year and hopefully strive to fill more shoeboxes. For more information about the scheme please visit the Rotary website www.rotaryshoebox.org.

Lucy Conley, Executive Headteacher commented "Our many charity links are a key part of school life here at Bourne Academy, including individual houses raising money for their chosen charities throughout the year. This time we have seen the school come together create a difference to those less fortunate than ourselves."

Trestle Theatre Company

On Friday 8 November 2019 our Sixth Form Performing Arts students were visited by the renowned Trestle Theatre Company. They spent the day working with a member of the company on devising techniques and got an insight into how a professional theatre company puts a show together.

In the afternoon Trestle performed their newest show, 'Rachel', which detailed the story of a Holocaust survivor sent to Auschwitz to both the Sixth Form Performing Arts and Year 11 History students.

The harrowing performance was well received and students were able to take part in a question and answer session with the cast.



Children In Need

On Friday 19 November 2019 Bourne Academy once again joined the nation in raising money for Children in Need.



The school held a whole school charity day with staff and students donating money to Children in Need in order to wear non-uniform. Alongside this, each House organised their own stalls for a charity fair in the school hall at lunchtime. The atmosphere in the hall was amazing with staff and students alike enjoying the variety of stalls on offer, there were tombolas, Super Mario Go-Karting on the Wii, sweet stalls, face painting, games of Pie Face and the classic guess the teacher to name but a few.

Overall as a school we raised well over **£2,000** for this fabulous cause.



Another Successful School Book Fair

The library was the scene of immense excitement on Thursday the 28 November as students waited to see who was the mystery VIP guest at the grand opening of the Scholastic Book Fair 2019.

There were gasps of amazement when the guest was revealed as... our very own Mr Bryan! He cut the ribbon on the display cases and even got a round of applause. This was our first VIP opening event and it proved to be very successful in attracting students who were excited to browse and choose books.



The book fair was in the library for 5 days in total and was successful in allowing students to browse the very latest books available. We would like to thank the many parents who supported the event by allowing students to purchase books and hope that they enjoy reading them.

SMSC

The students have been involved in a variety of activities this term in their SMSC (Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural) form time sessions. The main topic has been financial management, but the students have also been taking part in national awareness weeks. During Remembrance week the students learnt about personal stories of World War One during. The students learnt about the personal story of Walter Tull and about the women that died in the war.

The following week was Road Safety Week 18th-24th November, this is very important to us a Trust. The students learnt about safety concerns of using their mobile phones whilst crossing the road, the effects that alcohol and drugs can have on driving and the importance of wearing a helmet whilst cycling. In preparation for the election, the students took part in UK Parliament Week 2nd-8th November which is a national week to encourage students to learn about the democratic system and how politicians are elected. The students really enjoyed this and were seen debating around the school.

PSHE DAY

Bourne Academy had its first PSHE day of the academic year on the 21 November 2019. The day was a brilliant success with lots of students commenting that they learnt a lot of valuable life skills and rated the day as good with outstanding features. One key activity for the day was the Year 8s practising the vital life saving skill of CPR on mannequins provided by the British Heart Foundation.



Year 7 were learning about the importance of financial management and had the opportunity to see our fantastic annual careers fair with Year 10 and Year 12. The fair had over 20 visitors from a variety of companies and organisations. We were very privileged to be the first school in Lincolnshire to have the BT Openreach's high-tech showcase van to discuss with students about becoming engineers.

Alongside the other activities of the day, Year 9 learnt about healthy and unhealthy relationships. If any student is affected by the events of the day and wants any further information they can contact the school or the numbers below.



www.nspcc.org.uk 0808 800 5000
www.mankind.org.uk 01823 334244

www.childline.co.uk 0800 1111
www.rapecrisis.org.uk 0808 8029999

Show My Homework Launch Success!

Homework is a fact of school life, but we all know that from a students' perspective homework is a serious impediment to their life outside of the school gates and can sometimes rank close to the bottom of their list of priorities.



As staff we have all been on the receiving end of an unlimited number of excuses as to why homework has not been done and I am sure we could write a volume to rival the Encyclopedia Britannica if we tried. As parents I am sure you have had at some point tried to prise out of DD or DS (sorry mumsnet) what homework they have to do or read the helpful instruction "Do homework" in their planner.

Recognising this we have invested in a fantastic product from Satchel:One (which is often just called Show My Homework) which we launched to staff in October and over the course of this term to students and then parents. This online system and app has been taken up by over 95% of our students and the feedback we have received from all year groups and from parents is overwhelmingly positive.

As we continue to learn and make more use of this product we hope that you will continue to see the benefits and how this our students to manage their homework with increasing levels of success. To read more about Satchel:One you can visit their website <https://www.teamsatchel.com/company/about.html> or if you are looking for help and advice on using the system you can visit <https://help.teamsatchel.com/en/> or just email Showmyhomework@bourneacademy.org

Geographers Field Trip to Lincoln

Year 10 Geography students have spent a day in Lincoln carrying out fieldwork with a focus on regeneration of different areas of the city. They compared Brayford Waterfront, the High Street shopping area and the heritage district around the castle. Students collected data with techniques including pedestrian counts, environmental quality surveys and public questionnaires. They will then analyse their data back at school in preparation for questions on it in their Paper 3 GCSE exam. Members of the public commented on how polite and well mannered our students were whilst collecting their data.





The Keeper of the Books



It has been a lively time in the library so far this year. Students have been quizzing as keenly as ever, especially since we have moved Accelerated Reader targets to an individual points total. This is a lot fairer and allows students to read longer books with fewer quizzes if this is appropriate for them.

We have recently held another Scholastic Book Fair which was very successful. There is an article about this in the Newsletter. Thanks to the support of parents in allowing students to purchase books we received over £240 worth of free books for the library from Scholastic. These will make a welcome addition to the book stock!

Our latest innovation is to develop an area in the library that appeals to students who want to try reading classic texts or more challenging texts as well as an area with books chosen by our boys' reading group, the 'Reading Rebels'. See the write up from Mr Leonard in the Achievement section for more details.

Many thanks, as always, to the Library Assistants who make an invaluable contribution to the functioning of the library.

Flynn Good, Reagan Cooke-Holmes, William Ball, Bronwyn Roche, Thomas Anica, Katie Molsher, Grace Howden, Jasmine Coia, Leo Green and William Heal.

With a warm welcome to our new recruits: Lucy Beaton and Abbie Jamieson.

We are currently training up lots of new junior librarians from years 7 and 8 and so will have even more names to mention next time.

Book Donations Welcome

As you clear out unwanted items in readiness for Christmas please bear our library in mind. We are always delighted to receive donations of second hand and new appropriate books for the library.

A big thank you to everyone who has donated in the past; your books are still being enjoyed and we are helping save the planet too!

Accelerated Reader: Words Read Leader Board

Terms 1 & 2

Year 7

Gemma Fox-Hall—1,241,032

Zara Hakim—860,749

Ariane Vaughan 819,098

Year 8

Lucy Beaton—2,144,812

Cheyanna Barrel 1,708,088

Reece Stevenson 1,051,395

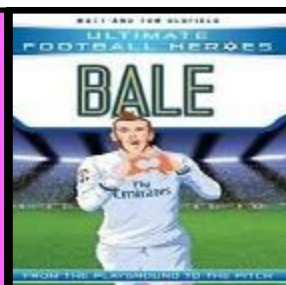
Year 9

Florence Little—765,096

Thomas Anica—633,753

Ceri Thomas—593,629

**New books to try:
Tom Oldfield-
Ultimate Football
Heroes series .
Now in the
library!**



Key Stage 5 Reading Ambassadors

As part of the 'Literacy and Reading Strategy' at Bourne Academy we have recently run the first 'wave' of our new KS5 Reading Ambassador initiative. Fifteen of our amazing Year 13 students took part in a 10 week programme to support engagement with reading for fifteen students in Year 8.

Initially, both groups of students were rather uncertain about taking part but once they met up and got started the enjoyment was clear on both sides. The KS5 Reading Ambassadors got to read books that they had not come across before and developed their confidence in approaching a totally new task, whereas the Year 8s had fun choosing new books and reading with the KS5 students.



On the last session we had a cake to celebrate – it would be fair to say that this was very popular!

We hope to repeat the initiative again next term and would like to send our thanks to the KS5 Reading Ambassador team!

The KS5 Reading Ambassadors – Thank you!

World Poetry Day Competition Winners!

We are pleased to announce that three of our year 8 students were winners in the The Willoughby Memorial Trust's Lincolnshire Schools Poetry Competition 2019: Cheyanna Barrell, Josh Lindley and Niamh Fowler.

Back in October 2019, Bourne Academy enjoyed celebrating National Poetry Day as a result of which many of our students were inspired to write poems on this year's theme of 'Truth.' It was fantastic to see the imaginations flowing and the energy in these poetry lessons, as students described important days in their lives, with a twist on the truth.

Thoroughly impressed by some of the poems that were written that day, students were encouraged to submit entries to The Willoughby Memorial Trust's Lincolnshire Schools Poetry Competition 2019, where local poet laureate, Chris Martin, helped select the winners. Cheyanna Barrell won second prize in the KS3 category, with Josh Lindley and Niamh Fowler receiving special mentions.



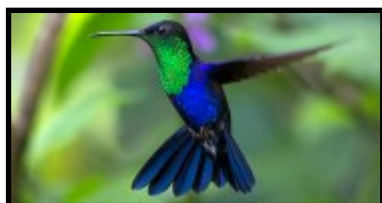
Cheyanna was complimented on her 'breadth of concepts addressed' showing 'the poet trying to find all facets of the truth.' They were impressed by how she 'uses form to explore the idea and experience of truth.' The judges commented on how Niamh 'knew how to bring a reader in and use language, with repetition building that sense of movement.'

Josh was praised on his 'genuine skill' at 'producing succinct work in this conversational tone,' which 'unlocks lots of future opportunities not just in poetry but in prose and theatre writing as well.'

The English Department are very proud of these young writers, and can't wait to see what our students come up with for our '500 word' competition later on this year.

Reading Engagement in English

In the last newsletter we talked about our new transition book 'Sky Hawk' and how we hoped it would inspire the students in their English lessons. We thought you might enjoy reading some of the work by some of our Year 7, which utilises some of the literacy techniques of the author of 'Sky Hawk', Gill Lewis.

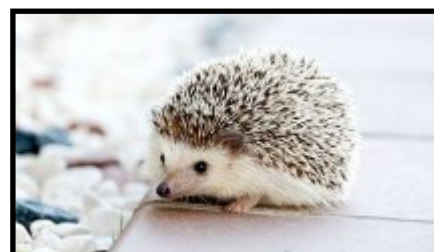


Hummingbird

My eye caught a glimpse of it on a branch in the woodland. The first thing I saw was its sequin-like feathers shining in the sunlight. Its leafy, vibrant down lay perfectly on its body. It flew around in circles, like a tiny missile, aiming for its target. "A hummingbird," Molly whispered. "It's beautiful!"

Hedgehog

At first, all I could see was a pair of beady, black eyes, like little pools of inky darkness. They shone in the evening moonlight. Then, a small pointed snout appeared from under the cover of a bush. Suddenly, I saw it. A rather small hedgehog came into view in the centre of the woodland clearing. Each of its individual spines was delicate but dangerous in its own way.



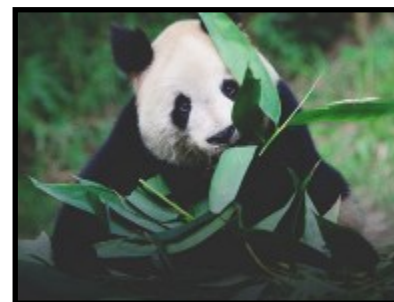
Lynx

Suddenly, something poked out from the cave. It was a tail, yellow with brown markings, that swished back into the dark and a shadow appeared. As I crouched on the wet, white snow I saw the ominous creature step into the light. It had mild, yellow fur with brown speckles all over its body, from head to toe. On the top of its ear were chocolate brown tufts of fur with snowflakes clung onto them like icing sugar on a brownie. It had deep blue eyes that looked right into you, reading your secrets. The creature had short whiskers and powerful, strong legs. I stared at it amazed. "A lynx," I whispered.

Panda

At first, all I could see was big, black sorrowful eyes peeking through a pile of bamboo. The eyes had a glisten like it was crying. It nudged some bamboo into its mouth and that's when I saw it. A small panda.

I took a moment to study the panda; I saw the ears - they were fluffier than pom-poms! Then the large black and white body backed away - afraid. I saw the smile turn into a frown. After that I heard a sound. A whine. It was calling out for someone. Someone who wasn't there...



Welcome



My name is Mrs Barber and I am the Careers and Aspirations Lead here at Bourne Academy. The Careers Office is based in F11 and students can come at any time to find resources to support them make choices about their future. Students can also come to speak to me for advice on UCAS, job applications, apprenticeships, option choices or career pathways.

If you have any questions please contact me via email on BarberL@bourneacademy.org

Year 7 – Peterborough United Enterprise Event

As part of our careers programme at Bourne Academy we hold enterprise events for our students. On Tuesday 15th October we were fortunate enough to have Peterborough United come to our school to spend time with our Year 7 students.



The students were set a task of either designing a new football kit or designing a new club mascot. They then had to present their ideas to the rest of the year group and the Peterborough United representatives. The students thoroughly enjoyed this task and were able to showcase many of their transferable skills such as communication, leadership, decision making and innovative thinking amongst others.

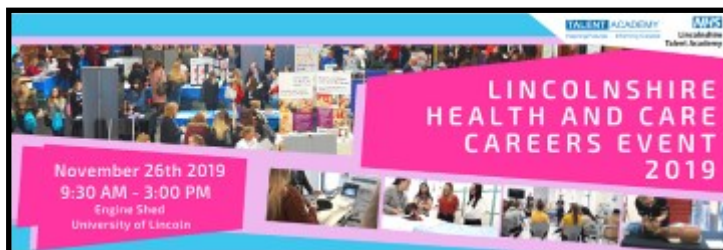
After much deliberation from the Peterborough United representatives a winning team was chosen! Each member of the winning team were given free tickets to a Peterborough United football match for themselves and a parent/carer.

The atmosphere in the school hall was loud to say the least, but the students were buzzing with excitement and could not wait to take part. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by both students and staff and we look forward to inviting Peterborough United back in the coming years.



Lincolnshire Health and Care Careers Event 2019

On the 26 November 2019, Health and Social Care students in Year 12 had the opportunity to attend the second Lincolnshire Health and Care Careers Event in Lincoln, run by the NHS Talent Academy.



Our students attended their chosen workshops on subjects such as Midwifery, Allied Health, Nursing and Social Care and took the opportunity to speak to healthcare professionals from a variety of fields to help them gain an insight into the potential careers open to them.



PSHE Day- Careers Fair

On Thursday 21st November 2019 we held our annual careers fair for students in Year 7, Year 10 and Sixth form. This year's was the biggest and best to date with over 25 exhibitors in attendance ranging from colleges, universities, local training providers and employers.

Both year groups were provided with a work book to complete, Year 7 students thoroughly enjoyed the Bingo Challenge and Letter Treasure Hunt which encouraged them to engage and talk to the exhibitors to find out the answers. Year 10 students were given a variety of questions asking them find out information which could be relevant to their own future aspirations.

We were extremely excited to be the first school in the country to host the brand new and exciting Openreach showcase van. This was an excellent opportunity for students to see exactly what is involved in working for Openreach.

Mrs. Conley said "The careers fair was another impressive event and these additional opportunities for the students are what is needed to continue to move the school forward in supporting the student with their careers and aspirations".

The feedback from the exhibitors was excellent, "The students were really engaging and are a credit to the school", "The high level of enthusiasm displayed by the students was great to see".

We would like to extend a huge thank you to all the exhibitors who attended our Careers Fair, the event was a huge success.

Access Creative	NatWest Bank	Sheffield Hallam University
Ask Apprenticeships	NCS	St Georges Academy
Bakkavor	New College Stamford	Stageworks
Bishop Grosseteste University	OpenReach	Steadfast Training
Boston College	Perkins Engines	Students of Nature
Eastern School of Performing Arts	Peterborough Regional College	University Centre Peterborough
Fowler Welch	Pilot Fish	University of Hertfordshire
Greater Peterborough Technical College	Projects Abroad	University of Lincoln
Leeds Beckett University	Riseholm College	
Loughborough University	Roythornes Solicitors	



Copy of Openreach's press release! Bourne Academy saw it first!!!

Openreach Showcase van hits the road in Lincolnshire

Bourne Academy Careers Fair is first stop in England for high-tech vehicle

The latest tool in Openreach's drive to get pupils thinking about careers in engineering – a high-tech Showcase van - hit the road for the first time in England on Thursday at a Bourne Academy's Careers Fair.

The UK's largest phone and broadband network has created two new customised vehicles, which can be taken to local schools and colleges to help spread the word about how the company is using technology to connect people to the wider world.

Its first stop was the Bourne Academy Careers Fair in Lincolnshire being attended by hundreds of students from Years 7, 10, 12 and 13.

Openreach's Senior Learning and Facilities Manager, Mark Rainbow, said: "It is really important to attend events like this to encourage more young people to consider choosing an engineering career. If they don't get the opportunity to identify with the people they see doing these jobs, they rule themselves out without even realising it.

"As a business built on engineering and the UK's biggest recruiter of apprentices, many of which learn the ropes at our training centre in Peterborough, we're working hard to attract a more diverse range of young people. Hands-on experiences are the best way to engage young people in engineering, so it's great to have our new Showcase van making its first public appearance in England at this fantastic event in Bourne.

"Supporting events like this is one of the ways Openreach helps young people see there are exciting options out there. While some believe engineering involves a lot of heavy lifting, those days are behind us. Modern engineering is really about problem solving and finding creative ways to do things."

The event was organised by Libby Barber, Bourne Academy's Careers and Aspirations Lead, and Openreach's Mark Rainbow and Learning & Development Trainer (and former engineer) Shane Batchelor were on hand to show students around the showcase van. Students were also able to try their hand at 'splicing' together two tiny fibre strands, as an engineer would when making fibre broadband available.

The van is specially designed and equipped to takes learners on an engineering journey which shows how fibre broadband powers all the things people like to do online.

It is kitted out with everything from cables and fibre equipment to a TV and gaming station which stream content in the same way as people would at home. Virtual reality headsets and specially shot 360-degree footage show what life is like as an engineer, and the vans also feature 4G, Wi-Fi and much more.



Mock Interviews for Year 13

During November, we were extremely fortunate to be supported by local employers who guided Year 13 students through the challenge of a mock interview. For the majority of our students, this was the first time they had experienced an interview and the opportunity to gain feedback on their performance, in a safe environment, is invaluable.

Mrs Barber said, "Our Year 13 students will be facing interviews over the coming months for university placements, apprenticeships and job interviews. Giving them the opportunity to experience a mock interview is vital in helping them to gain in confidence and develop their communication skills".

Bourne Academy would like to extend their thanks to all the local companies who offered their time, not only on the day, but in the preparation for the interviews beforehand: Bakkavor, New College Stamford, Hill and Clark Estate Agents, InvestSK, Inspire+, Perkins, Polyco Healthline, Eckfords Estate Agents, DWP.

Employability skills are key for our students in this increasingly competitive market place and links with employers are vital to support our students. If you feel your company can support us in any way, please do not hesitate to get in touch BarberL@bourneacademy.org

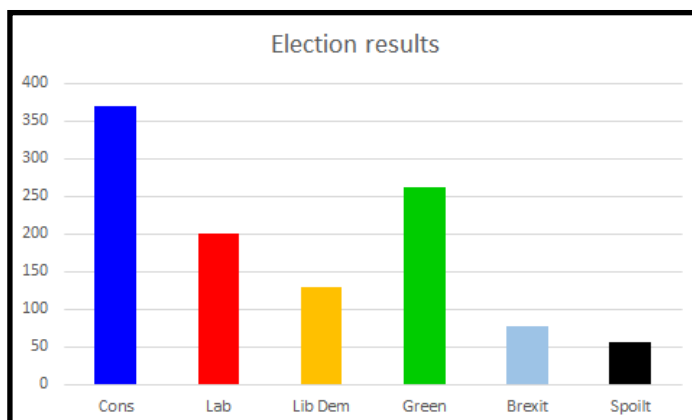
Bourne Academy's General Election!

On the run up to the General Election here at Bourne Academy we joined in the Election Fever and held our own Election on Wednesday 11 December 2019. Students from our Sixth Form were asked to represent the different political parties and start a campaign to get elected.

In the lead up to the election, we saw posters for each of the parties placed around the school. The students wore badges / rosettes / T-shirts / ties etc to represent their parties and they also distributed campaign flyers. They had time on the different Yards with other Year groups to talk about their campaign and Mrs Hirst provided information about each party's manifesto for the tutor groups to discuss in form time.

A lively 'Question Time' session was held in the Sixth form common room, where we had Tom Paskin asking party representatives the key questions regarding their policies on the NHS, Education, Economy, Transport, Environment, Housing and of course Brexit!

This all culminated in an election which took place on 11 December 2019 during afternoon form time. The voting slips were counted and on 12 December 2019 the results were announced!



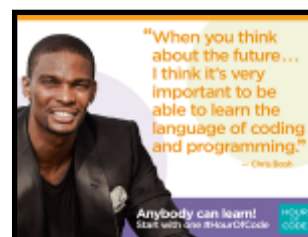
An Hour of Code!

An Hour of Code is Back!

- An Hour of Code is a global movement reaching tens of millions of students in 180+ countries
- At Bourne Academy we take part every year
- You learn to code and have fun during lunch time in rooms D01 and D03
- You receive a certificate for completing one Hour of Coding

Computer Science Education Week

9th-15th December 2019



All KS3 students studying Computer Science took part in the Hour of Code this week. They had an opportunity to complete this in lessons, lunch times and homework clubs.



There were far too many certificates this year and unfortunately we couldn't fit them all on the wall. Here are some of the certificates which students were awarded after an hour of coding:



Every student taking part will be entered in a draw to win a £10 shopping voucher. Winner to be revealed in the next edition of the newsletter !

STEM First Lego League Competition January 2020

In our last newsletter we wrote about The First Lego League Club being in it's sixth year. The students have been very busy with the activities in order to prepare for the competition in January 2020 which is being held at Cambridge University.

The competition gives students the opportunity to design and programme a robot based on the popular Lego Mindstorms kit, and participate in the regional heat where, in addition to showcasing their robot, the team also deliver a presentation on a designated science based topic that they have researched. The topic this year is CITY SHAPER and students will have to come up with a real life situation solution based on solving a building problem in the local area.

This term the students had the chance to visit the Engineering Department at Cambridge University to meet some of the organisers of the event. They had fun coding with the robots and assessing the level of difficulty for each challenge!



Faraday Challenge



The IET Faraday Challenge Days are held at schools and other venues around the UK and have proved to be enormously popular with teachers and students alike. The IET is one of the world's leading professional societies for the engineering and technology community. As a charity they are committed to the advancement of science, engineering and technology and to encouraging young people to study the STEM subjects and consider careers within the engineering and technology sectors. They provide a wide range of activities, classroom materials and other learning resources, including the IET Faraday Challenge Days.

The Faraday Challenge Days give students the opportunity to research, design and make solutions to genuinely tough engineering problems. There are a total 135 in-school IET Faraday Challenge Days which started in October 2019. Each IET Faraday Challenge Day involves six school teams, each made up of six 12-13 year olds ideally students who are interested in either Science, Design & Technology, Mathematics or Engineering. The Challenge is all about letting the students be creative and use their own problem solving skills to explore their capabilities as engineers.

The winners of each event will be awarded a prize for each team member and a trophy for their school. The top teams from across the UK will be invited to showcase their ideas at an event in June 2020. **Bourne Academy took part in the event last year and is excited to announce that will be hosting this event again on 5 February 2020! This will be a fantastic opportunity for Y8 students to take part! More to follow...**

Message from the Head of PE

This term has been extremely busy with the students taking part in over 90 fixtures, in various Sports. There have been some outstanding performances from the Year 9 Futsal team, who won the Superzone championships. This coupled with the Gymnasts, who took part in the Lincolnshire Competition where Amber Sharkey came first in the U16 level 1 division. Well done to all performers! Miss Coles.

X-Country

Superzone Championships

Last term we took 42 runners to the Superzone Championships at PRSA in Boston. All runners performed extremely well on the cold and wet day. The following students were all placed in the top 20 and now go through to the County Championships at Burghley House on Saturday 18 January 2020.

Congratulations to the following :

Yr7 Girls: Jodie Cook (4th), Skye Harper (12th)
Jaime Ramsamy (15th)

Yr7 Boys: Lloyd Barker (3rd), Alex Glenn-Mitchell (6th), Callum Rosam-Lee (7th), Jake Pick (8th), Ben Scott (12th)
Daniel Ellington (20th).

U15 Girls: Zara Johnson (20th)

U15 Boys: Ed Linsdell (3rd), Ted Ash (6th), George Frost (9th)
Ned West (11th).

U17 Boys: Arron Pike (8th)



National X-Country cup

This year the Junior Boys team got through to the regional round of the National cup at North Ferriby, near Hull. There were twelve schools entered in each race from the East Midlands and Yorkshire. In cold, muddy and foggy conditions plus a fast course the races were going to be tough and demanding.

This is a team event and six runners make a team with the first four scores counting as a team result. The top 3 lowest scores go through to the National finals in Sheffield. The boys put 110% into the race with a young team and ran the best they could against a very strong field of runners. Special mentions go to Ted Ash who came 10th out of 61 runners.

Overall Results

Yr 7/8 Boys came 12th

Boys Team

Ted Ash
Harvey Pimblett
Callum Rosam-Lee
Lloyd Barker
Jake Pick



Trampolining

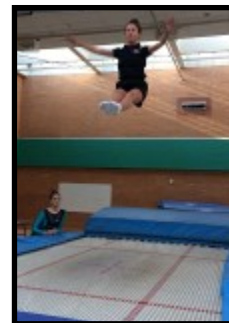
On Wednesday 30 October 2019 our Year 9, 10 and 11 girls took part in the 2019 Superzone Trampolining Competition. They performed extremely well throughout the day.

Novice section results

Emily Tidman 2nd
Maddy Jones 4th
Laila Hirst 6th
Jess Glover 7th
Erin Arden 9th
Rosie Grimshaw 11th
Leah Gray 12th
Gaji Gajewska 13th

Intermediate section results

Sophie Hardy 11th
Ceri Thomas 14th
Ellie Benson 17th



The overall team position for BA was 5th in the Superzone. Well done to all the girls!

Rowvember Challenge

Throughout November we ran a House Competition called ROWvember. This involved students (and staff) from each of the houses to try and row as many metres as possible throughout the month of November. Students could row in PE lessons, at lunchtime club or after school. After a close competition the final standing were as follows:

- 1st Place = **Warwick House** – 107,887m
- 2nd Place = **Mays House** - 105,990m
- 3rd Place = **Hereward House** – 94,372m
- 4th Place = **Keller House** – 77,970m
- 5th Place = **Turner House** – 68,418m
- 6th Place = **Galileo House** – 56,021m



Congratulations to Mr Cole and Warwick House, they have been awarded an extra 1000 points to their house total.

Rugby

Unfortunately, due to the adverse weather conditions at the beginning of November the final two rounds of fixtures were cancelled at the Year 7, 8 and 9 rugby tournaments. These will be played in the New Year. This was such a shame as we were hoping to build upon the success from the opening term of fixtures.

After February half term we will have the annual rugby 7s tournaments, usually held at Sleaford RFU and De Aston School. Details will be given to students as soon as entries have been requested.

Training has still been well attended, mainly by the Year 8 and 9 boys. The boys have enjoyed being coached by two sixth form students who have been helping out, determined to improve the boy's fitness and understanding of the key elements within the game. We look forward to getting some more game time for the boys in the New Year.

*****We are still awaiting more year 7s to come and join us*****

Boys Football

Year 7

The draw for the first round of the County Cup saw our Year 7 footballers meet familiar opponents in the shape of Deeping. Previous games had seen Deeping come away with a 4-2 win in the National Cup and a 3-2 victory in the Futsal tournament played three days earlier. This gave the boys inspiration for revenge and they started the game brightly playing football that was a joy to watch.

Despite our early pressure it appeared that a familiar result was once again going to happen as Deeping played a long ball over the top of the defence which their striker latched onto and dispatched, 0-1. The message from the side line was for the boys to continue playing football and the chances would come, and they sure did with Alex Glenn-Mitchell firing in a shot from an acute angle, 1-1. Then came the half time whistle and all the positive elements of the first half were discussed, the boys returned to the field with desire and they continued to play some compelling football.

The ability of our boys began to shine through and they ran riot in the second half with four more goals added to the first half strike by Alex. In the middle of all our goal scoring there was a stunning penalty save from keeper Alex Hopkins that came at a vital stage when the score was 2-1. The second half goals were dispatched by Alex Glenn-Mitchell, Ben Scott, Matthew Sewell and Sam Sharpe rounded off the scoring with a cheeky chip over the goal keeper. The boys now face a wait until after Christmas to see who we will play in the second round but there is a confidence within the squad following such an assured performance. Well done gentlemen.

Team: Alex Hopkins, Ollie Symak, Ben Decamp, Daniel Ellington, Alex Glenn-Mitchell, Sam Sharpe, Joe Staite, Matthew Sewell, Ben Scott, Aaron Stubbs, Olly Hand.

Year 7 5 A-Side Futsal Tournament

Following their exit from the National Cup to Deeping the Year 7 boys tried their hand at a sport new to some. The team saw two new faces get their chance to impress, Jake Pick and Alfie Ball, and they did not disappoint. The side started with a 5-1 convincing win over Spalding Academy, and followed this up with a hard fought 1-0 victory over Bourne Grammar. Next up was a clash against Deeping and the boys started well, but three lapses in concentration culminated in a 3-2 defeat. This defeat took qualification for the semi-finals down to the last game that was against a tall and very strong University Academy Holbeach.

Only needing a point to progress to the semi-finals the boys started well but a misjudged pass gave UAH the chance they needed and they made no mistake. The boys responded well to going a goal down but could not find a breakthrough in the UAH defensive line. The tournament was a good experience for all involved and the boys can be proud of the effort they put in.

Team: Ryan Bussey, Alfie Ball, Ollie Symak, Ben Decamp, Daniel Ellington, Jake Pick, Alex Glenn-Mitchell.

Year 8

The league fixture against local rivals Bourne Grammar turned out to be a tense affair. The game was evenly matched throughout, ending in a 2-2 draw, the BA Goal scorers were Simpson and Moxley. This meant that to decide the points the game went to penalties. Unfortunately, BA lost 4-3.

The Year 8s took to the field against De Aston School in the County Cup. A few late drop outs saw a number of Year 7s drafted in to play, and they most certainly looked at home in the higher age group. The boys started well and took a deserved lead, only to be pegged back within a minute of scoring. With the score level at 1-1, an increase in playing tempo enabled the quality of our players to surface, 1-1 quickly turned into 6-1 by the time the half-time whistle blew. After the interval De Aston started well and looked to find a way back into the game but the boys continued to defend well and play some good football going forward. Strikes in the second half saw the scoreboard tick over to 9, with only one further reply from De Aston. A comfortable 9-2 victory sees us safely through to the next round where they face Carres Grammar School or Louth Grammar School.

Netball

Year 7

The Year 7 netball club has proved extremely popular this year with record numbers attending training which is fantastic. The fact that so many are attending despite the changes to practices is testament to their enthusiasm and commitment, long may it continue!

After what was a slow start with fixtures we've now had 10 matches which has given almost everyone attending practice a game. We have had a mixture of results, the highlights being wins against Stamford High School, Arthur Mellows and Peele. With each performance the players are improving and playing more cohesively as a unit. To end the term, a match night was organised where every person played and the games were closely fought. Court 1 saw mixed a and b teams compete with the Blue Team winning 4-0, whilst Court 2 saw mixed c and d teams compete with the Yellow Team winning 2-0. Special congratulations goes to Emily Carey, Evie Benson, Lily Thomas, Felicity Wafaa, Zara Hakim, Arianne Vaughn, Freya Spriggs, Demi Day, Millie Green, Jodie Cook and Ellie Ball who have all received player of the match.

Year 8

The Year 8 team have had a good start to the season. The A team have played 6 games and won all 6 with some excellent attacking play from Tia Less and Zara Johnson at centre and goal attack respectively. The B team continue to develop in strength and have won 2 out of their 6 games so far this season. Well done to Jazzy Bubbra at goal attack and Grace Wilson at centre for some excellent attacking plays and Jess Ellis for some excellent defending as goal keeper. They had an excellent finish to the season, with a 18-0 victory against Spalding Academy B team. There are more matches after Christmas and the Superzone tournament to prepare for. Well done to all squad members.

Year 9

The Year 9 team have also had a slow start on the fixture front, unfortunately with matches being cancelled by the opposition. Despite this, their commitment and dedication to training has not wavered. The numbers attending continues to grow and we can now comfortably field a, b and c teams.

To date we have now had 6 matches, the results of which are mixed but the highlight being a draw with Bourne Grammar which we were unlucky to not win. Although we have won several matches against others teams, this was a standout performance from all as in previous years they have beaten us comfortably. The determination from the girls and their work rate was amazing. Special congratulations to Amber Sharkey, Lara Austin, Jasmine Lane, Emily Tidman, Ceri Thomas, Ellie Benson and Bethany Kay who have all received player of the match.

Year 11

Well done to the Year 11 netball team who came 3rd place in their district tournament, narrowly missing out on a place in the county finals. They played some outstanding netball, with excellent movement, passing and accurate shooting. Well done to Grace Tidman who was nominated 'Player of the Tournament'.

Results

Vs Spalding High School won 10-3, player of the match Gemma.
Vs Bourne Grammar School lost 3-8, player of the match Megan.
Vs Deeping lost 5-12, player of the match Esther.
Vs University Academy Holbeach, won 9-3, player of the match Tilly.



Boys Football

Year 9

The National Cup game vs Kings Grantham was always destined to be an entertaining game, it turned out to be a 9 goal thriller. Unfortunately, it was in Kings favour, the game ending 6-3. In the county cup, more familiar opposition saw the boys go up against Deepings school. The boys bossed the game from start to finish, a hat-trick from Frost and 2 goals from White-Morris, a 5-0 thrashing!

Y9 5 A-Side Futsal Tournament

The Year 9s went into the tournament full of confidence. The competition, was split into two sections. There were five teams in our section, each having to play each other and the top two going through to the semi-finals. Their first game saw them start well but beat Bourne Grammar 2-0. Spalding Academy, our second game saw us again win 2-0. We lost our third game 3-2 to UAH. The final game was against Peele, winning the game 2-0 we went through as league winners.



In the semi-final we played Boston Grammar. The boys started well making lots of chances, and saw us take the lead. They soon equalised but a late goal saw us get through to the final. The boys in the final played Haven High. Throughout the game the boys were on top but the keeper kept the opposition in the game. Final score 0-0 after full time. Sudden death penalties were to decide the game; we went first and scored. Haven went next but missed. This meant we were South Lincs Superzone Champions. Well done lads.

Team: Noah Dexter, George Frost, Ned West, Miguel Moitinho, Ben Conrathe, Henry Lawson

Year 10

The National Cup came to an abrupt end this season at the hands of local rivals Bourne Grammar. The visitors raced into a 3-0 lead by half time. The second half was much more promising; the introduction of Frost gave a much more attacking dimension to the team. With ten minutes to go Brooks popped up with a lovely finish that ended up just being a consolation goal, the final score finishing 3-1 to Grammar.

In the County Cup, a tough away tie at QEGS, Horncastle. The game could not have started any better, two minutes in, a free kick awarded just outside the box which Burgwine-Jones bent into the corner, 1-0 BA. The first half was chance after chance for BA, Frost coming close with a couple of efforts and Brooks narrowly missing with a header from a corner. Then the inevitable happened, lots of missed chances and then QEGS equalised. The first time the BA defence switched off, their striker turned on ball and slotted the ball past Bussey. Then two minutes later we were behind, a free kick somehow found its way into the bottom corner, 2-1 to the home side at half time.

The second half started and the worst possible start, the defence just did not react quickly enough and it was an easy finish for the striker, 3-1. It was always going to be an uphill struggle to get back in the game, QEGS just sat back and just kept frustrating BA. Then with 6 minutes to go a glimmer of hope, Brooks popped up with a goal from a corner, 3-2. Then into the last minute, Frost dribbled in side and released Crane who beautifully dinked the ball over the onrushing keeper, 3-3 sending Mr Leonard into wild celebrations.

The game finished, the dreaded penalty shoot-out. The hero of the hour Bussey in goal saved 2 penalties leaving Stokes to score his kick to win it..... he blazed over the bar. We went on to miss in sudden death with QEGS scoring to go through.

Hockey

The hockey season has really got going this term with several indoor tournaments and fixtures. Both the Year 9s and 10s have had their indoor tournaments. The Year 9s had a really challenging tournament but managed to beat Bourne Grammar A and Spalding High School to finish in 5th place. Some excellent goalkeeping by Amber Sharkey and shooting from Molly Salter led to those victories and other close games.

The Year 10s competed against teams with some very high standards of players which meant that unfortunately they did not win any games, however they only lost two, managing to hold off the remaining in draws. Angelika Manzon a new addition to the hockey team this year played fantastically well, defending the goal as well as some clever stick work to maintain possession.

U14 Tournament

BA vs BGS a W 2-1
BA vs BGS a L 0-1
BA vs SHS W 2-0
BA vs Kings L 0-4
BA vs Jack Hunt L 0-1

U15 tournament

BA V BGS a L 0-2
BA V BGS b 0-0
BA V Kings a 0-0
BA V Kings b 0-0
BA V SHS L 0-2



The Year 7 and 8 teams have also had their first games against Bourne Grammar. The newly formed Year 7 team put out a great effort and learned a lot about the differing rules when playing inside. Freya Spriggs and Caitlin Smith captained the team really well, always giving good direction and tactics. Fai Green was the player of the match which ended in a 0-4 Loss. The Year 8 team also played Bourne Grammar this term as well. They came out incredibly strong and had an initial lead of two goals. Bourne Grammar continued to work hard and despite some excellent saves from Jess Langman, Bourne Grammar managed to clinch the win giving a final score of 3-2. Well done to everyone who has been attending hockey club this term, it was great to see you last week in all your Christmassy outfits for our final session.

Elite Eleven

On the 28 November, Bourne Academy once again competed in the Elite Eleven Competition at Boston College. The day involved a number of team challenges in which the group battled it out against other local schools to win the most points. These challenges included a memory game, fitness contests, calorie burns, golf putting, netball shoot out, a minefield and an escape room.



The students were extremely competitive from the get go and worked unbelievably hard across all activities, once they realised that a pair of Beats Headphones were on offer for every member of the winning team! They gave some outstanding performances in every round, showing a great deal of resilience as well as team work. The results revealed that the team finished in 4th place. Well done to all involved; Dylan Dugasse, Donovan Capes, Ellis Burgwine- Jones, Mason Bussey, Neave Warcup, Alfie Woodward, Max Tompsett, Veronica Gillick, Amelia Ellis, Edie Duncomb and Phoebe Eyett.



Boys Football

Year 11

In the league competition, the BGS game was called off due to the adverse weather and the game against Spalding Academy saw us win 8-2.

The long trip out to Market Harborough in the National Cup ended in defeat. The first half was very evenly matched, Brooks getting on the score sheet with the score being 2-1 to the Home side at half time. After the break, searching for goals BA kept getting caught on the break, the final score ending 5-1. Holmes at centre half and Tompsett up front were two big omissions.

In the County Cup we were drawn at home against De Aston School from Market Rasen. With the return of Holmes and Tompsett, the mood was high. The game started very evenly but BA had the better of the chances but we just could not find that finishing touch. Then on the stroke of half time a moment of magic from Woodward, a defence splitting pass found Pike who coolly poked the ball home from 6 yards, 1-0.

After the break it was all BA, we were moving the ball around with much more confidence and then another goal, great work from Tompsett who rounded the keeper and squared it for Pike who had the simplest of tasks to tap home from a yard out, 2-0. The game was all in BA's hands but numerous missed chances ended up being punished. Two lapses in concentration turned the game on its head, the second goal was a 25 yard screamer into the top corner, 2-2 and more penalties. The game ended with De Aston winning 4-3 on penalties, Pike and Holmes both missing for BA.

Gymnastic Competition

On Sunday the 8 December 2019, Bourne Academy sent two teams to compete in the Lincolnshire Schools Floor and Vault Championships. This is only the second time we have competed and special thanks go to Miss Ringrose and Mrs Ringrose for their involvement in running the club and preparing the teams.



The choreography of the floor routines was commented on by other coaches from the area. All the girls involved performed extremely well and I'm very pleased to announce that Amber Sharkey in Yr 9 was first in the U16 level 1 category, a fantastic achievement considering she was competing against older and more experienced performers. Lily Thomas and Lilly Taylor were also ranked highly, narrowly missing out on medals.

PE Students of the Term

Theory Courses

Year 13 CTEC	Mia Fleming
Year 12 CTEC	Phoebe Mather
Year 11 CNAT	Tilly Szarawarski
Year 10 CNAT	Ellis Burgwine-Jones
Year 9 CNAT	George Frost

Core PE

Year 11 Core
Year 10 Core
Year 9 Core
Year 8 Core
Year 7 Core

Girls

Rebecca Miller
Lissy Whitmore
Lena Mairs
Daisy Hay
Chelsea Summerfield

Boys

Erikas Krakys
Robert Stokes
Bailey Wilson
Alfie Rosam-Lee
Adam Mussa-Beaumont



Boys Strategy

The ASPIRE Card has been trialed throughout the term with the Year 7 boys. This has been a huge success and all the students have been engaged and aspired to fill their cards. There have been 43 students that have filled their cards. An even more amazing achievement, 3 students have filled two cards.

Meeting with the Year 7 boys student voice groups, they think the initiative has helped improve behaviour, attainment and resilience across the curriculum. After gaining the boys feedback we are running the scheme again in term 3, but with some minor changes that the boys have asked to be implemented to make the scheme even better. The prize draw for this term will be drawn at the end of term, ready for the prizes to be awarded in January.

This term has seen a new literacy strategy implemented, starting with a group of eight year 9 boys. These boys are now known as the 'Reading Rebels'. One of the biggest issues as boys go through their education is their lack of literacy skills, including their reading, writing and vocabulary. This new group has been formed to act as role models for literacy within KS3, to try and increase the popularity and status of all things reading, speaking, listening and writing and to stop the stereotype of literacy being boring and uncool.

The group have a designated area in the library and Boys PE, including a display board and bookcase filled with books that hopefully will entice fellow boys to grasp their interests and encourage them to read. The 'Reading Rebels' will meet once every 2 weeks to read together in the library and then will write book reviews that will be displayed on the boards. They will also be doing some journalism, writing reports on school sports teams and also interviewing staff members. Mr Leonard said "I look forward to updating you as this project grows."



Rotary Young Chef Competition 2019

On the 13 November 5 young chefs from Bourne Academy took part in the annual cookery competition run by Spalding Rotary.

The brief was to cook a main course and a dessert that is healthy for under £14 to serve 2 people. The cooks had 1 ½ hours to cook and had to plan their time very carefully to serve the food at the correct temperature at the end of the competition, when the judges had the opportunity to taste all the food.

All 5 students produced superb food showing amazing skills.



Jodie Wisker won for Bourne with a menu of Thai green curry with pineapple rice followed by brownies.

We wish Jodie all the best in the next round at Regionals in January 2020.



Sam Roddis participates in the annual Remembrance Service

On 11 November 2019, me, as well as six other cadets (and two adult volunteers) from Spalding Army Cadet Force, went down to London to participate in the annual Remembrance service, alongside cadets from Spalding Air Training Corps, Grantham Kings School Combined Cadet Force, and Dartford Sea Cadet Corps.



The service is organised by the Western Front Association, who hold the service on November 11th every year. This year's service was both the 100-year anniversary of Remembrance Day proceedings at the Cenotaph and the 25th Anniversary of the WFA's campaign to bring the ceremony back into tradition. Though not as big as the main service held on Sunday, this event still draws crowds from across London and the UK.



Despite the 5:40 start, all of us put 100% effort in, and kept smiling, even when we were caught in the London rush hour traffic just minutes before the parade began. Fortunately, we made it there on time, and did the ACF proud (as we were the only representatives from the Army Cadet Force.) Setting off from King Charles Street, we marched with other cadets to the Cenotaph, where we stood alongside personnel from the Army, RAF and Royal Navy. The event wasn't just for the armed forces, however – students, members of the Chinese, Caribbean, Maltese and South African Labour Corps, MPs and WFA representatives all came to pay their

respects to the men and women who lost their lives in war.

Sergeant Damian Howlett, our detachment commander, said afterwards that we were a 'massive credit to ourselves, our detachment and to Lincolnshire ACF.' Marching out from King Charles Street and onto Whitehall, in front of thousands of people and the world's media, was probably the proudest moment of my life, and certainly the highlight of my cadet career.

It's not about me, though. It's about the millions who died fighting to protect our nation from tyranny. We will remember them.

By Sam Roddis

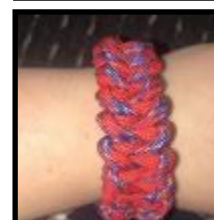
Bracelets for Memories

Bracelets for Memories was created by Year 11 student Billie Marshall. With guidance from her cousin they brought their charity page to life and then bought the products needed for the charity work to even begin.

With each bracelet the profit made is sent to way to the charity Dementia UK, which Billie holds close to her heart. Dementia UK has been a significant part of her life due to family members who she loves dearly being horrible affected. Losing precious memories such as birthdays and weddings.

Billie said "I see more and more people understanding and helping others with this cruel disease. As time goes on I see more Dementia friendly care homes and more therapies for these patients. Some therapies are being funded such as doll therapy, herbology (gardening), music therapy. With each bracelet bought I hope that this helps fund these therapies. Though my contribution may seem small it has a greater impact for nurses and patients as they have the equipment and training to provide for themselves and the patients. When I started the charity page I was only 14 and I was their youngest supporter. Bracelets for memories are handmade paracord bracelets which have been primarily advertised on Facebook but it shows no matter how small the charity work is it ultimately makes a difference and even if your 11 or older you can still help raise awareness for charities." You can find Billie's page at www.facebook.com/braceletsformemories

Well Done Billie what an inspiration you are.



First Aid Room at Bourne Academy

Did you know here at Bourne Academy we have a fully staffed First Aid room run by our qualified First Aiders Mrs Inglis and Mrs Buckley. What do they do?



Illnesses and Accidents

- * If a student becomes ill, they should go to the First Aid Room to be assessed and our first aiders will contact parents if necessary.
- * Some students may find themselves injured and may need a Movement Plan. The requirement for this should be discussed between the First Aiders, the parents and the student on the first day that the student is in school with the injury.

Medication

- * During the day some students require medication, and we ask that this is sent in, in the box you are given it in and with their prescription attached. A Medication Consent form will need to be signed by a parent or carer giving us permission to administer the medication. Students should not normally be carrying medication around in school.
- * We also deal with Health Care Plans for any students with specific needs e.g. diabetics. If you feel your Child has a complex medical need please contact the school to discuss if a plan is needed.

School Nurse Visits

During the school year, we also have the School Nurses visit.

- * In Year 8 the female students will be invited to have their HPV injections.
- * In Year 9, all students will be invited to have their Tetanus and Meningitis injections. These are now done through the school and students will not be able to routinely receive them through their doctors surgeries.

Attendance

The Trust's attendance policy allows us to streamline the work that we do and helps us in supporting those that need further assistance.

How to Report

Student absence should be reported on each morning of any absence by 8.30am. There are a number of ways of doing this:

- ♦ Calling the main school number and leaving a message (01778 422365 - option 1)
- ♦ Texting in 07860 095 499 (please be aware that, as with all mobiles, if the mobile system is down we may not receive these and you may receive an absence message)
- ♦ Email (office@bourneacademy.org)
- ♦ Notes in planners (as long as your child remembers to show it to the office)
- ♦ Letters re appointments (please send in copies of hospital/dental/orthodontic/doctor appointments for pre authorisation) Please bear in mind that as per the Academy's Attendance Policy, no appointments are authorised without medical evidence

Please note:

- ♦ Any absences not notified to the Academy that school day will be coded 'O – unauthorised absence' and will not be amended retrospectively.
- ♦ In support of student attendance, the school operates a monitor period after any absence of 4.5 days or more. Parents/carers will be notified of the start of this period by letter. Any further absence during this time could result in a Governor Panel meeting.



Bourne Academy

Uniform Shop

Opening Hours

(including half term)

Tuesdays 3.00pm – 6.00pm

Thursdays 8.00am – 11.30am

Students in receipt of Free School Meals receive a 50% discount on items.

Please note the shop will be closed from 19 December 2019 and will re-open on 7 January 2020

Road Safety Week 18—24 November 2019



All students across the school during form time were taught various aspects of road safety. There were some serious messages that were given and the students were asked to think about various situations. Lower School were highlighted the dangers in crossing roads, cycling whilst our sixth form were taught about being in a car.

ROAD SAFETY PEDESTRIANS

THE DANGER OF WEARING HEADPHONES AND TEXTING

91 PEOPLE ARE KILLED OR INJURED ON BRITAIN'S ROADS EVERY DAY.

A THIRD OF THOSE ARE UNDER 25.

20% OF ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS IN THE UK ARE PEDESTRIANS.

IT'S THOUGHT WEARING HEADPHONES AND TEXTING COULD BE TO BLAME.



Latest menace on our roads? It's the smartphone zombies: Three-quarters of drivers say they have seen a pedestrian veer off the pavement because they are staring at their device

- Official figures show 446 pedestrian deaths in 2014 due to 'lack of attention'
- Are you a smart phone zombie?
- Pedestrians glued to smartphones or listening to music are putting their own and other road users' lives at risk
- 72 % of motorists 'often' see gadget-obsessed pedestrians walking off the pavement without looking
- 66% say they often see pedestrians wearing headphones step into the road.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0J0QM558FI> watch from 20 seconds -2 minutes 50



The risk of cycling

Cycling is healthy and is very popular, however every year 18,000 people a year are killed or injured when riding their bikes.

- Around 190 12-15 years olds are seriously injured each year when riding their bicycles. That's nearly a whole year group.
- 44% of all cyclist deaths and injuries in 2017 happened during times when children were cycling to or from school 7-9am or 3pm-7pm

- 25% of bicycle accidents involve a head injury.
- Wearing a helmet can reduce head or brain injury by 69%
- As the days get darker it is important to wear reflective clothing and have bicycle lights so that cars can see you.
- Remember not to wear headphones or cycle looking at your phone.
- Make sure that your brakes work properly
- Bourne Academy students have been seen cycling whilst using their phone and have been cycling between cars at the end of the day <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1fQPM2aBwW0> 1 min 30



Being safe in a car over winter

- You should always be prepared in a car over winter.
- If a road says it is closed there is a reason, do not ignore the signs. Many people had to be rescued last week for ignoring road closures.
- If the authorities say be careful and don't travel unless necessary, listen to this advice.
- Have water and food (chocolate/biscuits) in your car in case you get stuck/breakdown. Ideally have a hot thermos.
- Have a blanket in your boot/extra layers.
- Have enough petrol before you set off.
- Leave the house with a fully charged phone.
- Have some cardboard/rug in your boot to help the car get out of the snow.
- Torch
- Ice scraper, screenwash, de-icer



THINGS THAT DISTRACT WHILST DRIVING

- TEXTING
- USING A MOBILE PHONE
- EATING
- DRINKING
- TALKING TO PASSENGERS
- ADJUSTING HAIR/MAKEUP
- READING, INCLUDING MAPS
- USING A NAVIGATION SYSTEM
- WATCHING A VIDEO
- ADJUSTING A RADIO, CD PLAYER, OR MP3 PLAYER
- LOOKING IN THE MIRROR



Your Emotional Wellbeing

Just like your physical health, there are things you can do to look after your mental health and wellbeing, no matter who you are or how you're feeling.

Every Mind Matters is where everyone can make a start. There are simple actions and steps we can all take that can help us manage feelings of stress, anxiety, low mood or when we are struggling to get to sleep.

From tips on how to get more physical activity, to mindful breathing exercises and advice on how to reframe unhelpful thoughts, all the information and advice in Every Mind Matters has been developed with experts and approved by the NHS.

In school we have a peer mentoring programme where our young people in Years 7 to 11 can access weekly support from trained 6th form students either on a 1-1 or a drop in basis. If you would like more information, please contact Mrs Kettle.

Pastoral Support

Did you know that you can contact our Year Leads by email?

Year7@bourneacademy.org

Year8@bourneacademy.org

Year9@bourneacademy.org



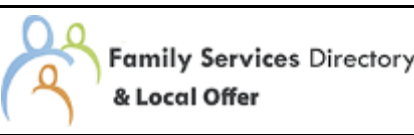




Year10@bourneacademy.org

Year11@bourneacademy.org

Year12@bourneacademy.org

Year13@bourneacademy.org

Not sure who to contact then drop an email to office@bourneacademy.org and they will direct your email onto the right person.

	0800 1111 (free 24 hour)	www.childline.org.uk
	Online counselling service (12pm-10pm Monday to Friday and 6pm-10pm Saturday and Sunday)	www.kooth.com
	Support for emotional wellbeing and mental health	www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/ewb
	Mental health information and guidance	www.youngminds.org.uk
	Advice and help for young people	www.cwmt.org.uk
	Information, advice and counsel- ling for young people	www.youthaccess.org.uk
	Text 85258 Self-harm Suicidal thoughts Bullying Relationship problems	www.giveusashout.org/get-help

GALILEO:

Head of House: Mrs Palmer

House Captains: Louise Bridle, Owen Cox

Charity Captains: Lydia Dean, Bethanie Cummins, Meredith Marsh, Phoebe Smith, Isla Delplanque, Holly Rutherford, Katie Burley, Thomas Anica, Rhiannon Hall, Holly Addams, Jak Heaton, Ethan Sharpe

Chosen Local Charity: LIVES

Chosen National Charity: Cancer Research UK



Recent Achievements: A big 'thank you' to everyone who helped out with the Children in Need Day on the 15th November. As a school we managed to raise over £2000 which is absolutely fantastic! Particular thanks to our Charity Captains, Richard Kilby and Owen Cox for all of your help and support on the day.

Head of House Message: Students are currently working on their Christmas Hampers which will be delivered to the Butterfield Centre in Bourne on the last week of term. There are some very creative hampers and it is great to see that they are already getting full with some very generous donations that are going to brighten the day of their recipients. A huge well done to all of Orange House staff and students for their hard work over what has been a long first term!!

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and New Year!!

Best Wishes

Mrs Palmer



HEREWARD:

Head of House: Mrs Lawson

House Captains: Matthew Henderson, Lydia Ellis and Amy Taylor

Charity Captains: Billie Marshall, Lucy Abbey, Lewis Jackson and Ryan Pell

Chosen Local Charity: Sue Ryder Hospice

Chosen National Charity: Guide Dogs



Recent Achievements: The long Autumn term is drawing to a close and I'm certain that everyone is looking forward to a well earned break. 98% of students in Hereward House continue to make us proud by completing all their work and maintaining their excellent levels of behavior around school. Their involvement in the charity events this term has been exceptional and students really rallied and helped out at the Children in Need event brilliantly. Painted moustaches and Pie Face were added to the very popular red Tombola at lunchtime in the hall. Hereward House raised £200 alone during the event. The hamper challenge is underway and there are some ingenious ideas....very much with recycling materials to help save the planet. Currently at the top of the leader board, Hereward House continues to prove that it's the best!

Head of House Message: The Year 11, 12 and 13 students have been facing exams and should be very proud of their attitude towards their studies. In conversation with many they appear to be coping well. I wish good luck to those that take their actual exams in the New Year. With Christmas coming and a time of giving and sharing with those around us, remember it is not as much about opening our presents but opening our hearts. Merry Christmas to you all.

Best Wishes

Mrs Lawson



MAYS:



Head of House: Mr Leonard

House Captains: Melissa Hudson, Mariusz Tomicki

Charity Captain: Diana Zorilla and Stefania Oleksiewicz

Chosen Local Charity: Counselling and Support for Young People

Chosen National Charity: Cancer Research UK

Recent Achievements: Recent Achievements - A huge thank you to all the Mays Charity reps that supported with Children in Need this year, as a school we managed to raise over £2000, which is amazing achievement. In the lead up to Christmas thank you to all form groups that have been involved in creating the Christmas Hampers for the Butterfield Centre in Bourne, it really does give the elderly residents a big boost just before Christmas.

Head of House Message: Thank you to all Mays House staff and students for all their hard work in what has been a very long and busy term. I hope that all the Year 11 and Sixth Form PPE's went well for those students that were involved. Its finally that time for all staff and students to have a well earned rest and I wish everyone a fantastic Christmas and New Year.

Best Wishes

Mr Leonard



KELLER:



Head of House: Mr Cepelak

House Captains: Archie Hay, Roseanna Clarke, Reece Warren

Charity Captains: Various amongst at the Yellow House Forms

Chosen Local Charity: Rainbow Schools

Chosen National Charity: Duchenne UK

Recent Achievements: This term has been a very busy one for our charity reps and their hordes of helpers. No sooner had we finished filling boxes for the Rotary Club Shoe Box Appeal than we found ourselves immersed in plans for Children in Need. A great deal of work and thought went into thinking up games, preparing resources and writing up rules before the big day, and I was pleased to see how many students turned up to help out at our extended lunchtime fayre in the school hall. The school raised well over £2000 for this great cause, which is testimony not just to the incredible work done by so many staff and students, but also to the generosity of EVERYONE who came along to support, pay to play, and generally have some fun. We are now busily decorating and filling hampers for elderly people in the local community.

Head of House Message: Our investigations into the power of the human brain are ongoing, although other (bigger) events have taken up our recent assemblies. This has delayed the publication of our findings, and also the essay competition promised in the last newsletter. That said, the (so far incomplete) message has not been lost on our students, and I am seeing some very ambitious, yet well thought out and achievable, suggestions for current and future House projects. These high aspirations are regularly backed up by supreme tenacity and solid achievements elsewhere, and when I hear students talk of their plans I often think it would take a brave or foolish person to bet against their success. I have been particularly impressed by how many students across all year groups have had the self-belief to step up to the plate during debates on SMSC and current affairs during form time. I have heard some very mature arguments put forward on some very divisive, and often difficult, topics, such as road safety and driver attitudes, BREXIT, and FGM to name but a few. Overall, I have thoroughly enjoyed my first "long term" looking after Keller House, and I am extremely proud of the collective achievements of our amazing students. I hope you all have an amazing break, and look forward to working with you in what I hope will be an even better year in 2020.

Best Wishes

Mr Cepelak



TURNER

Head of House: Mrs Dunn

House Captains: Caitlin Roche

Charity Captain: Jess Pottle

Chosen Local Charity: Alzheimer's Society Peterborough

Chosen National Charity: Breast Cancer Now



Recent Achievements: This term has been a busy one but the Turner students have risen to the challenge! I had an overwhelming response from students asking to be involved in Children in Need across all year groups. Our cake sale completely sold out and the glitter face paint proved very popular. All the money raised by Turner went into the total of over £2000! More recently, the students have been engaged in the Annual House Christmas Hamper Challenge. This always brings a buzz to form time and the ideas for hampers this year have been as original as ever. I cannot wait to see the finished products when they are sent to the Butterfield Centre to be given to some very worthy residents.

Head of House Message: Turner has been climbing through the ranks with House points this term and it's been great to see that as we approach the end so many more positive points are being awarded. Let's hope that continues next term! In the mean time I hope everyone has a safe, happy and restful break.

Best Wishes

Mrs Dunn



WARWICK:

Head of House: Mr Cole

House Captains: Jodie Cooke, Keelan Ozkan, Edward Linsdell, Charlie Walton, Romy Hawksworth

Charity Captains: Oscar Kapolka, Caiden Peacher, Tegan Wyche, Cerys Walker, Erin Geddes, Lucy Cooper, George Barber

Chosen Local Charity: Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust

Chosen National Charity: NSPCC



Recent Achievements: What a start to the academic year! I was absolutely thrilled to see Warwick House come top of the leader board for House Points last half term - we're very much in the running for this half term, so fingers crossed we can make it over the finish line in first place to make it two for two. I must also thank all of our Charity Reps and all the other students who helped support with our Children in Need charity day. As a school we raised in excess of £2,000 for a brilliant cause so well done all! We're also running out annual Christmas Hamper Challenge where students are decorating and filling hampers, another fantastic example of how our students work so hard for charity and to support the local community.

Head of House Message: It's been a very long term and I'd like to thank all of the Blue House staff and students for all their hard work so far. Christmas is just around the corner and I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very merry Christmas and prosperous New Year. Relax and enjoy the break, ready for another packed term starting in January.

Best Wishes


Mr Cole






TERM 2
2019-2020


HOUSE POINTS LEAGUE TABLE




BA Top Students



Thomas Anica	Orange 4	Yr9	180
Edward Barks	Orange 3	Yr7	170
Erin Clarke	Blue 2	Yr7	170
Sophie Clarke	Orange 3	Yr8	155
Seth Wiltshire	Orange 2	Yr7	150
Megan Wise	Purple 3	Yr7	150
Isobel Staite	Blue 2	Yr7	145
Lily Thomas	Blue 3	Yr7	145
Grace Aldred	Green 6	Yr9	140
Evelyn Dobson	Orange 1	Yr7	140
Tyler Bates	Yellow 2	Yr8	135



TERM 2
OVERALL



1st	HEREWARD	51710
2nd	WARWICK	49882
3rd	KELLER	49551
4th	GALILEO	49284
5th	MAYS	48587
6th	TURNER	47971