



BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

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From Jonathan Maddox, Headteacher

BIENNIAL CAREERS FAIR AT BGS - Wednesday 20 June

Our second full-scale Careers Fair was held to great acclaim on Wednesday evening. Our Manager of UCAS and Careers Mrs Hawkins had laboured for many months to ensure that the hundreds of students and their parents who attended the evening from across Years 10-13 would enjoy an unmatched opportunity to explore options for their futures.

The Main Hall, *The Chill*, Drama Studio, parts of the Science Block and some classrooms were packed with representatives from all manner of employers, training organisations and universities, each with a stall set out with displays and literature to engage visitors. It was a particular pleasure to welcome, amongst the 64 exhibitors, quite a few from our parent body and also from our former students. It was a great pleasure to catch up with the *alumni* and to hear about the impressive progress that all are making in their careers.



The event was extremely well attended by students and their parents and it was clear from walking around the various rooms that many valuable conversations were had. More than a few students told me that they were now thinking seriously about this or that career having been inspired by what they had found out by chatting with the exhibitors.

Events on this scale are seen at our major universities but at school-level they are much less common. I am immensely grateful to Mrs Hawkins for establishing the Biennial Careers Fair here and for the colossal amount of planning that she, with others, put into this year's event.

ANGLIAN SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS - Mrs Mohan, PE

On Saturday 16 June, eighteen Bourne Grammar athletes travelled to Norwich to represent Lincolnshire in the Anglian Schools Championships against athletes from Cambridgeshire, Suffolk and Norfolk. There were many excellent performances and five became Anglian School Champions.

In the senior age group, Aaron Hunt was chasing the English Schools entry standard and was hoping that his opponents would push the pace. Aaron had to do most of the work himself and in windy conditions - the time wasn't what he had hoped for but he was the clear winner and Anglian Schools Champion. In the

Senior Girl's long jump competition, Jasmine Allen has won Anglian Schools titles in the past and became champion once again with a leap of 5.22. Alex Stubley was delighted to throw two personal bests in the shot (7.30m) and discus (23.53m) to win her titles; Alex also ran in the 1500m steeplechase, her second event for the practical section of her A-Level PE course, and finished in second place. Abi Cooper ran well to finish third in the 800m and Luke Dudley was fourth in the boy's race. Ollie Goode ran a personal best in the 400m (57.3s) for fourth place and recovered well from the lactic acid accumulation to compete in the long jump where he also finished fourth.

In the Inter field events, Tim Schoutsen finished sixth in both the javelin (38.19m) and discus (29.69m) against tough opposition. Molly Bull threw over 9m in the shot and was pleased with the distance for seventh place. In the discus, Amy Webster threw 24.93m for fifth place, Eleanor Smith threw 30.18m for fourth place in the javelin and Emily Davis jumped 9.46m for sixth place in the long jump.

Returning from illness, Will Kong competed in the 100m and was part of the 4x100m relay team that were clear winners. Cody Roe had an improved run in the 80m Hurdles to finish in fourth place in 13.1s and he was also fourth in the triple jump into a strong headwind, so his distance was down on last week's performance. Based on his previous performances, Cody has been selected to represent Lincolnshire at the English Schools Championships in the triple jump.

Jay Stainton was the first Junior Girl to compete and threw very well in the shot put to finish in second place with 9.08m. Lauren Stuart, competing against girls a year older than her, gained valuable experience in the discus to finish fifth with 19.52m. In the 75m Hurdles, Katie Callcut had an excellent run to become Anglian Schools Champion in 12.1s and then leaped to 4.92m in the long jump for fourth place. Fran Fenwick was disappointed with her run in the 100m, where she finished fifth, but the day was all about the high jump and trying to achieve the English Schools Championships entry standard of 1.58m. Quite a crowd of Lincolnshire athletes and supporters had gathered around the high jump - Fran was the last athlete left in the competition and she was able to attempt 1.58m. There was a big cheer as Fran cleared the bar and achieved her goal of the entry standard. She put the bar up to 1.60m and cleared this on her second attempt - she also had three good attempts at 1.63m and will clear this (and greater heights) in the near future.

The final selections for the county team were being made after this competition and Flo Brill needed to improve her time in the 800m to gain selection. Flo had missed the Schools' Cup Regional Final in the week due to injury, but recovered in time to compete in Norwich. The other Lincolnshire athlete took the pace out for most of the first lap, as Flo had expected, but then the Norfolk athletes took it on and Flo lost a bit of ground. Flo ran strongly for the final lap and finished in third place, in her best time of this season of 2m22.6. She didn't think it was enough, but it was and Flo was delighted to be given her selection letter!

Bourne Grammar will have six athletes in the thirty-two strong team competing at the English Schools Championships in Birmingham on 13 and 14 July. Congratulations to Fran Fenwick, Katie Callcut, Flo Brill, Will Kong, Cody Roe and Jasmine Allen.



YEAR 10 STUDENTS HELP RUN TENNIS TOURNAMENT - Report by Lucy Cowell (Year 10)

On Tuesday 19 June, I took part in a fantastic day with sixteen other Year 10 students to help run a tennis tournament for local primary schools. After students from Bourne Abbey, Bourne Westfield, Bourne Elsea Park, Langtoft and Thurlby Primary Schools arrived at the Abbey Lawn, we helped to set up the courts - the Years 3 and 4 students were then split up into groups of two boys and two girls, and were assigned a leader. We then led them through a warm-up, including a pulse-raiser and a session reminding the students how to rally and serve.



My group was Bourne Elsea Park C and they were very excited about the day ahead - once they had warmed up, Mr Gibson (the event organiser) talked them through the rules and we started the games. They played a round-robin within their pool, and I helped to collect in the scores from 3 courts at the end of each 7-minute game. I also filled out the score sheets while the other leaders umpired and scored the games.



After lunch, the teams that came 1st in their pool played each other, as did those that came 2nd and 3rd in a knock-out round. Many of the games were very close, but Westfield A won overall and received the 1st place trophy. This was announced in the presentation at the end of the day, where every student who played got a certificate, and those who came 1st, 2nd and 3rd received medals handed out by five of our leaders. The schools then went home after playing some competitive but really enjoyable tennis, and we helped to pack up the equipment that was used. I really enjoyed helping out and learnt a lot about leadership and organisation.



LINCOLNSHIRE SIXES INTER-SCHOOL GOLF TOURNAMENT - Report by Rosie Easey (Year 9)

On Tuesday 19 June, six Bourne Grammar golf-players, accompanied by Mr Graves, went to play at Canwick Park Golf Club in Lincoln. The team consisted of Stanley Watson (Year 10), Tom Middleton (Year 10), Alex Frost (Year 9), Edward Norman (Year 9), Will Bentley (Year 8) and Rosie Easey (Year 9). There were six other teams from four different schools - Bourne Academy, University Academy Holbeach, St George's (Sleaford) and Louth Academy.



The tournament followed the *Texas Scramble* rules - each player takes a shot from the starting tee and the best shot (chosen by the team) is the next location. All other players pick up their balls and the process repeats until we eventually hole the ball. The total amount of shots chosen give the score for that hole, with a total of six holes played.

Our team worked incredibly well together, congratulating, improving and encouraging each other. Every person played brilliantly and I achieved some good shots myself. I was congratulated for a great putt on first, and Edward's first shot of the final hole cleared a bunker and landed on the green, with Will then holing the ball in two. Our team's final score of 18 (an amazing 4 under par) placed us first in the tournament. All teams congratulated each other at the end and celebrated with two lovely plates of chips! Thank you to Canwick Park Golf Club for letting us play on their course and to Stacey from the Golf Foundation for organising the day.

STEM AFTERNOON FOR YEAR 5 STUDENTS - Mr Brown, Assistant Headteacher (Digital Strategy)

On Monday 18 June, Year 5 students at the Ayscoughfee School in Spalding enjoyed a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) afternoon, led by two members of the Design Engineering department. Following a safety briefing, the students were taught to use soldering irons, before applying these new skills as they soldered together their very own LED torches from LEDs, resistors and switches.



As they assembled their torches, students also learnt the role of each component as they added each one to their circuit-boards. The students then had the opportunity to use hand-tools to secure their completed PCBs in laser-cut Perspex enclosures to protect their new creations. The students thoroughly enjoyed the experience, with every student in the class producing a working torch to take home by the end of the session.



ARTWORK

Year 8 students have been continuing their exploration of Still Life and have been using acrylic paints to blend and mix their palette. Below are examples inspired by the work of Paul Cezanne.



Malavika Leena



Alexandra Weston



Gina Olivares-Alvares



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Courteney Bell	7	Chemistry	Miss Smallshaw
Charles Coulam	7	Design Engineering	Mr Dougall
Keira Maxey	7	English	Mr Brooker
Sree Ramesh Shankar	7	PE	Miss Bradley
Paul Senny	7	History	Miss Capper
Genevieve Taaffe	7	PE	Mr Graves
Jamie Grice	8	Mathematics	Mr Doherty
Oscar Potts	8	English	Miss Walters
Kareish Rajkanna	8	Biology	Miss Dorosenko
Arujan Sivakumar	8	English	Miss Bennett
Francesca Fenwick	9	PE	Mrs Mohan
Keera Adamson	10	Spanish	Mrs Worrall
Nathan Dawkins	10	Mathematics	Miss McDonnell
Lola Magrath	10	EPR	Miss Atkinson
Archie Marren-Cooper	10	Mathematics	Mr Sheppard
Samuel Staines	10	Spanish	Mr Edwards
Sophia Stanton	10	Music	Mr Stevenson
Oliver Parkin	12	Mathematics	Mrs Shales

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Music

- Amelie Murphy (Year 7) recently passed her Grade 3 Flute exam with Merit
- Corin Murphy (Year 12) performed with a group of experienced musicians last week in a tribute to Glen Campbell at the Castle Theatre in Wellingborough. She performed a song written by Campbell's daughter called 'Remembering'.



Photography

Nandhitha Guhan (Year 7) recently won the Rotary Photography Competition, sponsored by Gordons Photographic in Bourne. She won first place in the Open Category.