



# BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

*Week ending Friday 17 May 2019*

*From Jonathan Maddox, Headteacher*

## **BGS STUDENTS HIGHLY RANKED IN NATIONAL LAW COMPETITION**

The Year 12 A-Level Law group recently fielded four teams in a national competition to find a 'Legal Apprentice' for Kingsley Napley, a highly regarded law firm. The students had to report on the legal implications of a case scenario, respond to two timed tasks, write a witness statement and present a video pitch for their own fictional solicitors' firm. Out of 700 teams, the BGS teams were consistently ranked in the top third of all those competing and two students - Lily Dodwell and Sharmin Rahman - were ranked in the top 25 for one of the timed tasks. Although they did not secure a highly competitive place in the London Finals, they performed with distinction and were excellent ambassadors for the School.

Mary Young, a partner at Kingsley Napley, was certainly impressed with the BGS rankings: "Your students should be extremely proud of themselves. I was very pleased to see how well they had done." The students have enjoyed the experience and now have a firmer grasp of the role of a solicitor and how the law is applied in practice, which will be advantageous to them should they wish to apply for law-related work or studies at university.

The four BGS teams were as follows:

Team 1 - Lily Dodwell and Sharmin Rahman

Team 2 - Ciara Hughes, Thomas Holbrook, Ben Gough and Rohan Haugaard

Team 3 - Samuel Warner, Amelia Kember and Lara Penfold

Team 4 - Billy Sewell, Iain Bisalla and Cody Homfray

## **PUBLIC SPEAKING NATIONAL FINAL - *Report by Mr Gatland, English***

On Sunday 12 May, our Public Speaking team represented the School in the National Final of the *Youth Speaks* Competition, held by the Rotary Club of Great Britain and Ireland at their annual conference in the Royal Concert Hall, Nottingham.

Reaching this stage of the contest was a remarkable feat for the team - comprised of Julia Chetian (Chair), Sandra Sajosh (Speaker) and Trisha Subudhi (Vote of Thanks) - and a testament to their perseverance over many months. To win a place in the final they beat off eleven other teams, almost all of which were made up of older students, across three regional heats.

Sunday's event was an intense occasion, held in a far larger auditorium than the girls have become used to, and attended by hundreds of Rotarians, students and teachers from all corners of these islands. The girls nonetheless turned in their best performance to date; polished and professional, they did the School proud.

The standard of the competition was inevitably very high, and although the girls impressed the judges, they were not crowned victors on this occasion. Despite the momentary disappointment of this, the team has much to be proud of - not least the silverware they have brought to the School as they stormed through the early rounds. Very many congratulations to the team on their spectacular achievement.



## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### *A Night of Music from the Stage and Screen III*

Tickets are now available for our third *Night of Music from the Stage and Screen* event, taking place this year on Monday 24 June at 7pm. The evening will feature music from a variety of films and musicals, including *Wicked*, *Matilda*, *Miss Saigon* and many more.

Tickets can be purchased via the School website or <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/bournegrammarschool/t-xjgelm>. Tickets are £6 for adults and £4 for concessions. For the past two *Stage and Screen* events, tickets have sold quickly, so please purchase them as soon as possible if you are interested in attending to avoid any disappointment.

# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Alexanne Bradley	7	Mr Smith	EPR
Cloda O'Boyle	7	Mr Chan	Mathematics
Charlie Knight	8	Mr Chan	Mathematics
Tanith Storm	8	Miss Capper	History
Arabella Allen	9	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Malavika Leena	9	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Mac Gatward-Clarke	10	Miss Segarra Ginés	Spanish
Harriet Wren	10	Mr Delport	Design Engineering
Tom Linfoot	10	Dr Stout	Computing
Ruby Robinson	10	Ms Currier	Spanish
Alex Starbuck	10	Mr Mitchell	Physics
Alice Kamminga	10	Miss Smallshaw	Chemistry

*The featured Student of the Week list is for the week commencing Monday 6 May*