



# BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

*Week ending Friday 29 November 2019*

*From Jonathan Maddox, Headteacher*

## **JUNCTION DANCE SHOWCASE - Tuesday evening**

On Tuesday an appreciative audience was treated to a delightful programme of some twenty-two dance pieces, from a wide range of genres and featuring girls - all girls this year - from across the School's year-groups. The variety was astonishing, from tap to modern and street to Indian classical. Many girls performed alone on stage, including several from Year 7 and 8, while others performed in pairs or in small groups. The girls' energy, skill and standard of performance were all exceptional, as we have come to expect at this special and most enjoyable event. Some girls performed in more than one act.



There were so many highlights. I particularly enjoyed Naomi Daniels' exquisitely refined ballet number, Delicia Johnson and Ella Stewart's energetic modern item *Wrecking Ball* and, in particular, the extraordinarily polished Indian classical piece performed beautifully by Sanjani Mamillapalle. Emily Peck's effervescent personality was immediately evident in her tap piece *Dear Future Husband*. Our most experienced and accomplished performers, Izzy Kaufman and Niruthukcah Rajkanna were dazzling, as they always are when dancing for us.

At the end of the evening the girls were buzzing with excitement and many members of the audience came up to me to say how very much they had enjoyed the evening. Our thanks, once again, go to Miss Turton for presenting this year's *Junction*. We look forward to the next one.



## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### Sixth Form Play - *Metamorphosis*

Performances will be on Thursday 5 December and Friday 6 December at 7pm; each performance will last for approximately 1 hour 15 minutes and there will be no interval. Tickets are available via the following link: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/bournegrammarschool/e-zggdij>, priced at £7 for adults and £5 for concessions - this production is suitable for all students.

### Christmas Concert

Our annual Christmas Concert will take place on Thursday 12 December at 7pm. Tickets are available via the following link: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/bournegrammarschool/t-akxapg>, priced at £6 for adults and £4 for concessions. Mulled wine (*provided that we can obtain this from a sponsor; national regulations no longer allow us to purchase alcohol*) and home-made mince pies will be served during the interval and are included in the ticket price. I should be very pleased to hear from any parent/carer who may, perhaps through an employer, be able to assist us with sponsorship.

### YEAR 9 BOOK CLUB - *Mrs Clark, Spanish*

Year 9 Book Club took part in a varied and thought-provoking discussion about *The Book Thief* by Marcus Zusak. Esme Jones (Year 9) wrote the following book review:

'*The Book Thief* has such a unique perspective on Nazi Germany, especially since it is narrated by the grim figure of death and his surprising thoughts and opinions. The novel explores the early life of a young German girl, Liesel, and her family and friends, along with hardships she has to encounter along the way. The book also reveals several major plot lines many chapters before we come across them, which not only creates gripping tension, but it is such a unique way of writing that it draws many readers to it. Zusak has created a medley of characters and he has put together so many inspirational ideas to create the heart-wrenching must-read, *The Book Thief*.'



The students chose George Orwell's *1984* for the next discussion and all Year 9 students are welcome to join the next meeting.

### YEAR 12 SPANISH BAKING - *Mrs Clark, Spanish*

Recently, Year 12 Spanish students have been studying Spanish gastronomy as part of their A-Level course and have explored the historic and cultural factors which have shaped Spain's diverse regional cuisine.

After researching Hispanic recipes, many students brought in some impressive homemade cakes and biscuits. These included: *polvorones*, a soft crumbly biscuit; *ensaimada*, a sweet bread from Mallorca; and Argentinian *alfajores* with homemade *dulce de leche*.



## LANDIS+GYR STEM BURSARY SUCCESS - Mr Brown, Deputy Headteacher: Digital Strategy

At last summer's Open Evening, a visiting prospective parent and local engineer were so impressed by the School's Design Engineering students that a programme was proposed to support budding engineers of the future. Following subsequent discussions, the Landis+Gyr STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) bursary scheme was conceived and launched exclusively at BGS in September. To apply, prospective Year 13 recipients wrote application letters outlining their suitability - these were shortlisted by staff at Landis+Gyr. Following this, a panel of senior engineers from Landis+Gyr interviewed four Year 13 Design Engineering students on Wednesday 20 November.

Each applicant briefed the panel about their current engineering project before being asked to explain how they would go about leading a team in the development of a 'smart' water meter. The panel remarked that the overall standard of all applicants was very high both in terms of technical knowledge and creativity, making the final decision a difficult one. At the end of this challenging process, cash bursaries were awarded to Harriet Laugharne and Marlow Dupont. Interview panel chairman Naresh Raghavan (STEM outreach ambassador at Landis+Gyr) said of the students, *"I am convinced that you have a fertile ground that nurtures talent, local to us, that we in L+G should capitalise on."*



# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Summer Starbuck	7	Miss Bradley	PE
Lily Handley	7	Mrs Woolf	Science
Polly Parry-Arch	7	Mrs Mohan	PE
Nathan Sylvester	7	Mrs Baverstock	Spanish
Ella Dunnett	7	Mr Adamson	Mathematics
Kacper Zajac	7	Mr Perez	Science
Iris Da Re	8	Dr Owen	English
Toby Marshall	8	Mr Howard	EPR
Olivia Ward	8	Mr Sheppard	Mathematics
Alice Chubb	8	Dr Owen	English
Billy Gallagher	8	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Harry Evison Williams	8	Miss Bennett	English
Lorena Ismail	8	Mr Tighe	EPR
Angel Rose Sebi	8	Miss Bennett	English
Charlie Wise	9	Miss Smallshaw	Chemistry
Freya Dimeloe	9	Mr Hartley	Business Studies
Warrick McKoy	9	Miss Hurrell	Spanish
Lucy Evans	9	Mrs Clark	Spanish
Neha Joseph	9	Miss Kirby	Mathematics
Tanith Storm	9	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Tanith Storm	9	Miss Lindley	Geography
Megan-Jayne Thompson-Collins	9	Mr Ray	PE
Rosie Campbell-Waggott	10	Miss Segarra Ginés	Spanish
Cieran Cuthbert	10	Miss Dorosenko	Biology
Anna Paskin	10	Miss Creedon	Spanish
Maria Wright	10	Miss Atkinson	EPR
Grace Swindell	10	Dr Murphy	Mathematics
Archit Kumar	10	Ms Currier	Spanish
Zara Chambers	10	Miss Watson	English
Keera Adamson	12	Miss Thurlow	Sociology
Isobel Kaufman	13	Mrs Shales	Mathematics
Ciara Hughes	13	Mr Brooker	English Literature
Megan Stuart	13	Mrs Mohan	PE