



BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

Week ending Friday 1 April 2022

From Alastair Anderson, Headteacher

This week saw two more events that illustrate our commitment to wider educational experience. Firstly our GCSE PE students travelled to Skipton for a three day residential aimed at improving their practical skills. It was a huge success, illustrating once again the value of trips and activities in contributing to the personal development of our young people and thanks to the members of the PE department who organised this so effectively. Secondly we were treated to the latest BGS sessions 'concert in the Town Hall and this wonderful local venue once again provided the perfect backdrop for our young musicians to showcase their emerging talent and expertise. It was a thoroughly enjoyable evening, and the relationship with the Town Hall looks set to go from strength to strength.

In terms of individual achievement I mentioned in the last Bulletin our two Year 13 powerlifters who were set to compete in the national championships and am pleased to report that this week Georgina Harrison did more than just set a national record – in the under 58.5kg weight category and the T3 age category she managed a bench press of 75kg which set a world record in that class. In the deadlift competition she also managed a whopping 145kg deadlift which is a new national record in that class. It was also the largest deadlift in the 58.5kg weight class category regardless of age and experience: a phenomenal achievement. And with great pleasure I also wish to congratulate Rafe Wallbank on the successful accreditation process of his digital design work that has led to the publishing of his work by the global media distributor StudioCanal. Another impressive achievement by a Bourne Grammar student. To all our students wondering where their futures might lead: try to take inspiration from the examples of success that are all around you, and be aware that doors to opportunity often open when you least expect them to. Scan your horizons for opportunities, grab them and thereby take control of your future direction. Everyone but everyone is good at something!

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to thank Samantha-Rose Dundee for her work on this weekly Bulletin and many other aspects of school operations over many years. We wish her the best of luck in her future career at Witham Hall starting next term: her calm, measured and detailed approach to managing vital elements of School life will be much missed. To the wider School community I wish everyone a restful holiday and encourage all students, especially those preparing for public examinations, to find time to unwind and recharge: "Rest and be thankful." *William Wordsworth*

LIVE BGS SESSIONS AT THE OLD TOWN HALL - *Leila Silkstone (Year 10)*

Last Friday, 25 March, the second Live BGS Sessions event took place at the Old Town Hall in Bourne. I was thrilled to be asked to perform by Mr Tomlinson in front of friends and family. The Old Town Hall has a great performing space, and provided an amazing atmosphere for us all. I performed 'Stay' by Rihanna, with Mr Tomlinson accompanying on the piano, but I really enjoyed seeing my fellow students perform as well. There was a real variety, with classical and pop singing, heavy metal guitar, violin, piano and even harp!

A note from Mr Tomlinson, Director of Music

I would like to thank all of the students that performed so brilliantly last Friday. It was a lovely evening and there were some fantastic comments about the different performances from the audience. The next event is on Friday 27 May and I am widening participation opportunities to more of our lower school community. We have some fantastic musicians in Years 7, 8 and 9 and I am looking forward to them having the opportunity to showcase their talents at this event.



YEAR 10 GCSE PE TRIP TO SKIPTON - Report by Year 10 students

Monday 28 March - Groups A & B - Climbing and Cycling (Poppy Bevan)

We had a very early morning as we had to be at School at 05:00 to get to Skipton in time to start the activities. After the 4 hour minibus journey, we arrived at Skipton at about 09:00, ready to start cycling and climbing. We got introduced to our groups - either A,B,C or D - and met our group leaders who were all very lovely and showed us the plan for the day. Groups A and B started off with rock climbing and started with either learning how to put on the harnesses and knots or bouldering (climbing without a harness) which was a lovely start to the morning as it got us used to our groups and eased us into our early morning. Groups C and D started off with road cycling which seemed like fun to start off with. Then after lunch these swapped around so groups A and B did cycling and groups C and D did climbing.



In the cycling part of the day we went through the roads near us, learned about ascending and descending down hills of differing slope degrees and got used to the cars passing us on the road. During all of these activities we were filmed and assessed to help them grade us for our GCSEs, which was a bit nerve wracking at first however we got used to it after a while. Finally we sat down to eat dinner, a homely classic of sausage and mash, followed by our evening activities which were climbing again for groups A and B in which we did a speed climb to assess us in our speed on the climbing wall. Groups C and D did cycling again, working on the indoor rollers.



Tuesday 29 March (Maddy Prince & Libby Moore)

Early in the morning, in good spirits, we rose to seize the day. Breakfast was served not long later (08:15) with a colourful variety of scrumptious choices catering for all needs. Groups A and B started the morning with rock climbing, consisting of learning how to belay and practicing our climbing techniques. In the afternoon, these groups were challenged when putting everything they were taught into action when completing more difficult courses. Groups C and D began the day with cycling around the beautiful scenery of Yorkshire in which they managed to perfect the art of ascending and descending hills. Later on - after lunch time - nerves were running high when preparing for a race that could make or break our final GCSE grade in cycling.

After completing these activities, the groups reconnected for a well-prepared chicken korma curry. After a brief break, the groups split up once again to complete their evening activities (either speed climbing or rollers). After a jam-packed day finishing our activities at 21:00, the groups reflected on their day's achievements.

Wednesday 30 March (Emma Aldred & Lottie Crane)

Our final morning began early like the previous two days. At 08:15, we were provided with a delicious breakfast including hash browns with beans and a wide array of cereals to please everyone. However, today we had an added task since we had to ensure all of our rooms were cleaned and the beds stripped by the usual time of 09:15.

Groups A and B began the day of cycling activities by exploring the local areas surrounding the centre. Despite the cold and wet weather forecast, spirits were high and we thoroughly enjoyed our ascending and descending on a hill. At the same time, Groups C and D were challenged with a full day of climbing, beginning with belaying or bouldering, and ending with a filmed climb on a very difficult route involving an overhang and mantle.



Upon arrival to the centre, Groups A and B prepared to leave once again and travel to a nearby track after securing our bikes onto the trailer with assistance from our various instructors. We arrived at the track and we ate our pre-made sandwiches along with numerous sweet treats, ready for a jam-packed afternoon. We were greeted at the track with snow and rain but managed to complete our necessary skills of cornering, sprinting and group work successfully. We were now ready for the awaited 10 mile cycling race in which many were nervous, but with each other's support and encouragement, everyone finished the race relieved and glad of their abilities.



After lunch, both Groups C and D completed the difficult task of speed climbing, where they were competing each other, racing to the top, in order to conclude the climbing GCSE grade. The groups were reunited at 16:00 and departed the centre not long after. We fully enjoyed the trip and would recommend it to the years below us.

YEARS 7 TO 11 FOOTBALL TRIP - Leicester City Women v Chelsea Women Football Report by Charlotte Smith and Gracie Tidbury (Year 8).

On Sunday 27 March, Mr Graves took girls from Years 7 to 11 to the King Power Stadium in Leicester to watch their women's team play against Chelsea in the Women's Super League. It was a lovely sunny day and our seats were low down so we had a great view of the game.

It was a great match which was full of goals. The first goal was a brilliant free kick after just 2 minutes. Things didn't get any better for Leicester as Chelsea went on to win 9-0! We had an amazing time watching the game and it was exciting seeing so many goals.

Afterwards we waited outside the stadium and were able to meet lots of the players - including England Captain Millie Bright and Australian Sam Kerr (voted best player in the world) - and get their autographs and have photos with them. Finally, we had a McDonald's and headed back to School after a great day out.



HISTORICAL EGG COMPETITION - *It's no 'yoke', the results are in!*

Miss Capper, Subject Leader: History

On Thursday 31 March we celebrated the artistic talents and historical knowledge of our students, as Mr Anderson awarded 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in our Historical Egg Competition. As always, our students impressed with their creativity and hard work - choosing a winner proved eggs-tremely challenging. The winner was Ffion Perkins with an egg of King Harold. Mr Anderson admired the realistic nature of the arrow and resulting injury!

1st Place

Ffion Perkins (Year 7) - King Harold

2nd Place

Jesire Richardson (Year 8) - Rosa Parks

3rd Place

Faye Scott (Year 8) - Leonardo da Vinci

Highly Commended

Maisie Jeffs - Napoleon

Kayla Reihill - The BGS House Figures



LINCOLNSHIRE SCHOOLS OXBRIDGE CONFERENCE - Friday 25 March 2022

Report by Mrs Elliot, UCAS and Careers Co-ordinator

Last Friday, a group of Year 12 students attended the Lincolnshire Schools Oxbridge Conference, hosted by Priory LSST in Lincoln. The day was an opportunity to hear students and university staff talk about their experiences of both applying to Oxbridge but also what it is like to study a range of subjects there. The students were able to choose from a wide range of presentations on entrance exams, interviews and personal statements to what it is like studying Social Sciences, Engineering and Arts and Humanities at Oxford and Cambridge.



All in all it proved to be a very informative day and our students appreciated the opportunity to put together their own tailored programme and listen to undergraduates' honest reflections on their experiences. For some students it gave them a greater insight into subject areas that they had been planning to study for some time but for others it highlighted courses that they hadn't considered previously but now aspired to. It will have been a useful experience for them as they start to work towards their applications in the Autumn.

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Sport

- Filip Wiza (Year 8) passed his Tae Kwon Doe red belt grading earlier this month.
- Congratulations to the following Year 8 students who all play for Stamford Rugby Club U13 and who, after an impressive win at the weekend against Kesteven Rugby Club, are through to the Final of the NLD Cup on Sunday 1 May: Jay-Jay Bradshaw, Lawson Capes, Ned Gervis, Fin Gray, James Houghton, Noah Humphries, Jack Wiles, Monty Wood, Noah Henderson and Henry Tate.

YEAR 11 AND YEAR 13 REVISION - Mr Hewitt, Deputy Headteacher (Academic)

To let teachers know in advance which students will be attending revision sessions and to ensure that the number of students does not exceed the venue capacity, please could students reserve a place by clicking the booking link found [here](#). The booking link below will open at 16:00 on Friday 1 April and closes at 09:00 on Monday 18 April 2022.

	Tuesday 19 April	Wednesday 20 April	Thursday 21 April	Lunchtime Sessions
Year 11	Chemistry (Mrs Woolf - Lab 11) Statistics (Dr Murphy - Maths 8) Design Engineering (Mr Delpont - DE2) History (Miss Capper - H1)	Geography (G1) Physics (Mr Mitchell - Lab 3) French (Mrs Cowell - MFL 3) Combined Sciences - Biology (Miss Mizen - Lab 1) Biology (Dr Hanson - Lab 2) German (Miss Doeringhaus – MFL 6)	Music (Mr Jones - Music 1) EPR (Mr Howard - EPR 1) Maths (Mr Smith and Mr Andy - M3)	Monday PE (Mr Ray - PE 1) Tuesday Drama (Mr Moxley - Drama 1)
Year 13	Chemistry (Mr Marsden - Lab 14) English Language (Miss Watson - E7) English Literature (Mrs Tomlinson - E8) Design Engineering (Mr Delpont - DE2) Media (Mr Williamson - E11)	Computer Science (Mr Brown - CS2) Biology (Mr Stainton - Lab 9) Maths (Mr Sheppard and Mr Roche - M2) Theatre Studies (Mr Moxley - Drama 1)	Law (Mr Mitchell - SS3) French (Mrs Cowell - MFL 3) Music (Mr Tomlinson - Music 2)	Monday Psychology (Dr Hobbiss and Miss Thurlow - SS4) Thursday History (Dr Barmby - History 2)

JOB VACANCY

Cover Supervisor

Grade 5 (Points 12-15)

32.5 hours per week, term time (38 weeks) plus 5 training days

To undertake the role of Cover Supervisor and to act as an invigilator for 11+ and public examinations as directed.

For more information and an application form, please visit our School website or contact Mrs Fiona Hill via recruitment@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk

*Closing Date for Cover Supervisor Applications
Tuesday 19 April 2022*

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Neve Brackenbury	7	Ms Jasinska	Spanish
Natalya Krywyszyn	7	Miss Smithson	English
Charlotte Mason	7	Miss Smithson	English
Liberty Shrive	7	Miss Segarra Ginés	Spanish
Samhita Thiagarajan Arun Prasath	7	Mrs Baverstock	Spanish
Natalya Krywyszyn	7	Mr Turnbull	Music
Charlotte Mason	7	Mr Turnbull	Music
Rovyar Ameer	8	Mr Perez	Science
Emma Kettle	8	Miss Smithson	English
Evie Sutton	8	Mr Dougall	Design Engineering
Ben Bennett	9	Mr Vaughan	Biology
Flynn Gallagher	9	Mrs Edwards	English
Erin Larter	9	Mrs Williamson	English
Vikita Shah	9	Miss Patman	Spanish
Bella Burton	9	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Ben Aldred	10	Mr Brown	Computing
Anica Andali	10	Miss Watson	English
Emilia Beacham	10	Mr Moxley	Drama
Eva Blackmore	10	Mr Moxley	Drama
Sanjani Mamillapalle	10	Miss Watson	English
Lilly-May Toyer	10	Miss Smallshaw	Chemistry
Olivia Ward	10	Mr Flight	Mathematics
Courtney Bell	11	Ms Creedon	Spanish
Brandon Coia	11	Mrs Williamson	English
Ben Lamb	11	Miss Doerpinghaus	German
Anthony Catherwood	11	Mr Sheppard	Mathematics
Thomas Payne	12	Miss Bradley	Sports Studies
Lewis Thomas	12	Miss Doerpinghaus	Registration
Maria Wright	12	Ms Bennett	English Language
Grace Brown	13	Ms Kemp	English Literature
Sian Manzur	13	Ms Kemp	English Language
Rithvik Sanga	13	Miss Constable	Pastoral