



BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

Week ending Friday 20 May 2022

From Alastair Anderson, Headteacher

We are delighted to announce that the Bourne Grammar School Open Evening, after an enforced break of two years, will return on Thursday 23 June. School will close at 12.40pm on the day to allow the setting up of the event, and from 5.30pm all departments will be showcasing what makes our School so special. I am grateful to the 400 or so students who will be helping out as guides or helpers and we all look forward to welcoming the community back through our gates. It should be a fabulous evening, so please help by spreading the word to friends and family and encouraging anyone who may be interested in sending their child to Bourne Grammar School in the future to come and see what we are all about.

While we look to the future with the Open Evening we are also saying goodbye to Year 13 who are in School for their last day of lessons today. I can see already across the site that there is a mix of excitement and sadness at this rite of passage moment with so many happy years at school coming to an end. Mrs Shales led an emotional final assembly for them last week and having not sat formal GCSE examinations in 2020 these students are perhaps a little less battle hardened to the challenge of public examinations than previous cohorts. However, their determination to engage with their studies through very difficult circumstances over the last two years has been extremely impressive and we have full confidence that they will perform well and access their chosen futures successfully.

Finally, I would like to congratulate our new team of Head Students who have been appointed this week. Alice Dossett will be our Head Girl next year and Max Garthwaite Head Boy. Evie Bage, Hugo Brill, Amelia Griffiths, Oscar Potts, Sophie Jordan, Dhruva Teja Turaga, Isabelle Pallister and Jaya Taank form the rest of the team. They have some big boots to fill as the outgoing Year 13 Head Students have been superb but I know they will rise to the challenge and make their own mark on 2022/23.

ROOSTER WEEK IS COMING FOR YEAR 7 AND YEAR 8 – *Mr Hewitt, Deputy Head Teacher*



On Monday 23 May, all students in Year 7 and 8 will be presented with their ROOSTER booklet; it is important that they keep this booklet in their bags and bring it to each of their lessons next week. Teachers in all subjects will dedicate class time for students to pause and reflect on their studies and to complete the booklet as honestly as they can.

ROOSTER week falls between the close of students' end-of-year assessments and prior to parental reports being released; it is therefore, the perfect time for students to reflect on their own strengths and weaknesses and – with guidance from their teachers and use of their Progress Ladders - to understand how to address any weaknesses and what they need to do to improve further.

COVID sadly impacted the amount of metacognition work that was possible with the current Year 8 cohort, Year 7 students have however, spent valuable curriculum time this year understanding how to learn effectively and how to become successful independent learners. Allowing students, the time and space to

reflect on their academic achievements is part of this process and the BBL (Building Better Learners) Programme.

I hope the week helps our amazing students to better understand how well they are doing across the academic curriculum and that it offers parents some insight, from the child's perspective, about academic progress before they receive the end-of-year school report.

YEAR 9 CRICKET – Report by Mr Graves, PE Teacher

The Year 9 cricket team got off to a winning start in the County Cup with a convincing win away at Spalding Grammar. Johnny Cottage shined with the bat (25*) with Jacob Townsend (13) providing good support. The game also saw an absolutely stunning one-handed full-length diving catch by Olly Lockton. Well played lads!



LINCOLNSHIRE CLUBS ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS – SATURDAY 14 MAY 2022

Congratulations to Lawson Capes (Year 8) who won the county shot putt title with a throw of 14.27m for under 15s. This year he has stepped up to a 4kg (from 3kg) shot, as well as, having to compete in the Under 15 age group (equivalent to Years 8 & 9). Despite being very early in the season, this qualifies him for the English Schools Championships in July and puts him at number 1 in the UK! An outstanding achievement. Well done.

Lawson has since added to this performance in the rain at Loughborough throwing 14.48m, continuing his progress this year.

TENNIS – Report by Ms Bowtell, PE Teacher

Two exciting tournaments took place this week within School, one for boys and one for girls in Years 7-9. 'Play your way to Wimbledon' is a national tournament which enables talented Tennis players to compete locally, in clubs or schools and to then qualify to compete against other winners in their county at a central venue. If successful at this level individuals move on to a national stage held at All England Club, Wimbledon.

The first event was the girl's event where we had ten girls fiercely competing for the Bourne Grammar title, some had played many tournaments and for others it was their first experience of competitive Tennis and they were starting to put into action their understanding of scoring from class lessons. The weather as usual was varied ranging from searing heat to pouring rain but nothing could dim their enthusiasm.

The Final was played between three players in a round robin format where each player plays one match against all the others and the player who wins the most games wins overall. This was between Libby Bird, Poppy Mclearnon and Shiksha Kaur and what a close event it was.

The competition between Shiksha and Poppy really was a battle of the power shots with equal numbers being struck across the court, whereas in all of Libby's games, she attempted to out play and out think her opponent in her placements of her strokes. The play off for 4th and 5th was also competitive with Alice Barrett finally wearing down Stella Mcdermott's relentless ability to return shots from all angles on the court. 6th and 7th place was a playoff between Hamsini Raja and Melissa Peng and 8th, 9th and 10th was again a round robin between Jessy Sayers, our most enthusiastic player), Grace Cullen and Kiki Timmins, both Year 7 students. The final Winner was Poppy Mclearnon.

The boy's competition was played the next day in glorious weather and with 9 entrants. This event also had Year 9 boys competing against Year 7 students for whom this was their first taste of a real Tennis competitive match. One of the Year 7 students excelled and surprised many of the older boys with his play, Saul Annis and led to near upsets in the matches with the top seeds.

Donald McGeorge was not a surprise to the Year 9 students having played weekly against them to develop his resistance to the pace of their shots and demonstrated how much he has learnt already by reaching the final against Atte Maaranen.



INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Niketh Nambala in (7E) has achieved a Distinction in Grade 5 Rock school drum exams.
Henry Hill (8B) passed his Grade 4 Piano exam.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Declan Brewer	7	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Joshi Harriss	7	Mrs Edwards	English
Anas Lachheb	7	Dr Hanson	Science
Anas Lachheb	7	Miss Segarra Ginés	Spanish
Niketh Nambala	7	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Scarlett Parr	7	Ms Jasinska	Spanish
Zahra Ravji	7	Mr Van Uden	History
Alex Zinkevics	7	Mr Williamson	Art
Brooke Olivares-Alvarez	7	Mr Howard	EPR
Melissa Peng	8	Mr Williamson	Art
Hayden Pugh	8	Mr Williamson	English
Hamsini Raja	8	Mr Lennox	Science
James Risebrow	8	Mr Delpport	Design Engineering
Amelia Blake	9	Mrs Greenfield	Geography
Taylor Brown	9	Mr Sutherland	Physics
Harriet Cork	9	Mr Hewitt	German
Emily Cowlard	9	Mrs Clark	French
Eda Dawson	9	Mr Williamson	English
Poppy Fasulo	9	Miss Patman	Spanish
Luke Norris	9	Mr Van Uden	History
Matilda Peacock	9	Mr Brown	Computing
Pauline Samusz	9	Mrs Edwards	English
Emma Whittle	9	Miss Patman	Spanish
George Bell	10	Mr Vaughan	Biology
Theo Bryson	10	Mr Perez	Biology
Sam Davies	10	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Oscar Johnson	10	Mr Van Uden	History
Ben Page	10	Mr Van Uden	History
Melissa Parker	10	Mr Lennox	Physics
Ben Pennycook	10	Mr Brooker	Pastoral
Harrison Smith	10	Mr Perez	Biology
Nathan Adeluwoye	11	Mrs Edwards	English
Martha Elderkin	11	Mrs Williamson	English
Evan Mulligan	11	Mrs Williamson	English
William Pickston	11	Ms Kemp	English
Olivia Bowden	12	Miss Sanders	Sociology
Roshan Roy	12	Mr Perez	Biology