



BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

Week ending Friday 01 December 2022

From Alastair Anderson, Headteacher

The highlight of this week was undoubtedly the wonderful *Junction Dance Showcase* on Tuesday so ably planned and organised by Miss Turton. The students who performed were both skilled and enthusiastic and the energy of the evening ensured it was a success throughout. Congratulations to all the performers, thanks to Mr Moxley for helping out back stage and on behalf of everyone involved significant plaudits must go to Miss Turton for her ongoing commitment to this yearly Performing Arts event.

Thanks also, to the Head Students and Ms Creedon for their work in putting on *Swap Don't Shop* so soon after last week's highly successful *Bake Off* and, on the sports field, well done to the 1st XV for their performance in the long delayed first home game of the season played against King's Peterborough. Mr Bowers has worked hard to raise the profile of senior rugby over the last 18 months and this week's victory was just reward for the commitment of the players and the leadership skills of the coach.

Finally, congratulations to all 18 chess players who went to Nottingham to compete in the regional competition at Nottingham High School. It is great that we have such a vibrant chess club at School and wrestling to find a solution to a complex transport problem in order to make the trip work was a small price to pay for the positive enthusiasm of the various players and their Chess 'Master' Mr Farrow. Well done to all involved and especially to the two teams who have qualified for the next round.



YEAR 7 HOCKEY – Report by Miss Bowtell, PE

Monday evening saw Bourne Grammar Year 7 girls host The Kings School for their first hockey match of the year. Having only a few training sessions under their belt, the team were unsure of what to expect. Kings had the first push back and started strong moving the ball around the pitch. They linked up well which resulted in the first goal.

We pushed back to re-start the game. Attempting to move the ball around but unfortunately Kings managed to snatch the ball and create another attack, resulting in their second goal.

The girls needed to up their game. Starting off again, they started passing the ball around but Kings carried on applying pressure and stole the ball and went on the attack. Breaking into the BGS 'D' and taking a shot. Georgia Summerfield intercepted the shot and passed the ball out to Carmen Van Der Westhuizen. Carmen found Orla Bailey out wide, inside the Kings half who then passed the ball inside to Captain Elodie Collins who was surrounded by a few Kings defenders. After nearly losing possession, Elodie managed

to pass the ball to Ella Staff inside the Kings 'D' who controlled the pass and confidently took the shot, scoring their first goal. 2-1 down.

This motivated the BGS girls to put Kings under pressure. After lots of attacks for both teams, Kings managed to break through and play the ball around. After an attack down the Kings right wing, a cross found their forward inside the 'D' which they managed to score from and we were now 3-1 down.

The second half was a much closer. After a Bourne push back, Kings started strong and stole the ball back and attacked. Georgia was able to tackle the Kings player and clear the ball up the pitch. The relief didn't last long as Kings were back on the attack and managed to score their 4th goal of the game.

The BGS girls carried on fighting. After an attack down our right wing, Orla managed to receive the ball high in the Kings half. She passed the ball back to Elodie who had the chance to drive through between the Kings defenders and into the 'D'. She managed to push the ball into an open goal. 4-2 down.

Hoping to be able to get back into the match, the girls carried on pushing. Unfortunately, they ran out of energy and Kings managed to get the final goal of the evening. Final score, 5-2 to Kings. Player of the match, Elodie Collins.

U16 MIXED BADMINTON - Report by Miss Bowtell, PE

On Tuesday 29 November, we took 12 very excited Year 9-11 players to the Peterborough High School to compete in their second match of the year. The first had gone extremely well with both the boys and girls teams winning quite easily against Peele School, Long Sutton.

This week was a different type of match and saw the teams competing with more experienced racket players. The team was split into three pairings with each playing against their opponents and at the half way point the girls team were winning 2-1. However, after a swop of partners by the Peterborough High School team they started to dominate our team and ended up 4-2 winners.

The singles went the same way, although many games were extremely close with matches being lost by only one point. The boys match was similar but our narrowly won their matches by single points, with one game having to go up to 27-29 to find a winner.

Overall results were a victory to Bourne Grammar School - 18-10.

The Girls Team was comprised of Libby Moore, Libby Bird, Evie Myers, Hannah Simpson, Maddy Mylchrest and Freya Mclean.

The Boys team was comprised of Andrew Pepper, Ben Page, Aarnav Bajaj, Vishal Gandamaneni, Harry Merriman, Jonathan Blair.

SIXTH FORM RUGBY – Report by Mr Bowers, PE

Wednesday saw the return to 6th Form Rugby at BGS following the pitch renovation by George Watts, Tom Payne and Jack Griffin in Year 13. And it didn't disappoint!

The boys came away 53-5 winners against Kings Peterborough; a great result for a team that continues to improve, show glimpses of superb handling and ample defensive capabilities.

Special mention to the Year 13s who, following a tough Year 12 season, have won their first game in two years! On to Stamford next week before a well-deserved Christmas break. Well done boys!



BGS DEBATING SOCIETY – *Report by Mr A L Mitchell, Physics*

This week's debate was on the extremely topical motion, 'this House believes that the England football team should have boycotted the World Cup.' David Hyam and Zsazsa Osei-Gyamfi, both in Year 12, spoke in favour of the motion, while two Year 11 students, Sam Edwards and Rhys Evans, spoke against. All four speakers were excellent at marshalling their arguments and presenting them eloquently. In the end, the House was persuaded to vote against the motion.

Since its inception in September this year, the Debating Society has gone from strength to strength, attracting large numbers of Sixth Form and Year 11 students to listen to the high-quality debates. So far this year, the House has voted against making higher education 'free' and abolishing the House of Lords, and in favour of legalising cannabis. Co-founder and President of the Society, Andrew Lucas (who only joined BGS as a Year 12 student in September) commented, 'I am delighted that so many students are prepared to give up their lunchtimes to attend the debates. It goes to show that, contrary to stereotypes, young people care deeply about important issues and are keen to debate them in a civilised fashion.'

Any students in Years 11-13 who are yet to attend the Debating Society, but who are interested in hearing or taking part in a debate, should come along to Lab 3 on Wednesday lunchtimes to see how it works. Any ideas for future motions to be debated should be sent to Andrew Lucas or to Mr Mitchell.

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Aryan Nahata (Year 9) has been a part of the Peterborough Youth Council from September and is visiting London today to be part of a campaign.

Tia Ely (Year 8) and her partner came 4th in the British Street Dance Duo's for the Under 14s.

Harriette Symondson (Year 7) has passed Grade 3 Vocals, through Rockschoool with distinction and has also successfully auditioned for the pantomime at The Cresset.



Oliwia and Kacper Zajac (Year 8 and Year 10, respectively) have recently joined the South Lincs Swimming club and have been training hard. Last weekend their hard work paid off with both winning medals.

Oliwia swam an impressive eight new personal best times and also took bronze medals in the 50 breaststroke and 50 freestyle.

In his first competition, Kacper did an amazing job and swam to gold in the 50 backstroke and also took two silver medals and five bronze. Well done both!



Congratulations to following students for their DofE success with Bronze and Silver awards:

Year 13

Bronze - James Thomas

Year 12

Silver - Cerys Edwards, Keira Maxey, Ben Simpson

Year 11

Bronze - Cloda O'Boyle, Ollie Provost

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Rebecca Board	7	Mr Green	History
Charlotte-May Houghton	7	Mrs Lattimer	Mathematics
Xander Miley	7	Mr Delpont	Design Engineering
Ellie Moore	7	Mr Khumalo	Science
Noah Patten	7	Mr Green	History
James Pitchford	7	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Travis Bullen	7	Miss Dye	English
Alfie Bird	8	Mr Hewitt	German
Isabelle Clarkson	8	Mr Hewitt	German
Emily Holland	8	Mr Green	History
Natalya Krywyszyn	8	Mr Murray	Geography
Charlotte Mason	8	Mr Murray	Geography
Akshith Pandian	8	Miss Atkinson	EPR
Angad Sandhu	8	Miss Lindley	Geography
Emily Sewell	8	Mrs Williamson	English
Maddie Taylor	8	Miss Segarra Ginés	Spanish
Archie Gaunt	9	Mr Farrow	Computer Science
Shiksha Kaur	9	Mr Ray	PE
Kai Morris-Nevins	9	Mrs Edwards	English
James Risebrow	9	Miss Patman	Spanish
Max Andrew	10	Dr Barmby	History
Ashleigh Goodall	10	Ms Bowtell	PE
Solomon Johnson	10	Ms Jasinska	Spanish
Erin Larter	10	Mrs Bolitho	English
Bella Parker	10	Mrs Leftley-Gynn	Pastoral
Harry Allen	11	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Fin Barltrop	11	Miss Raebel	German
Charlie Morgan	11	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Charlotte Alder	12	Mr Hartley	Economics
Alice Nickson	12	Miss McAleese	Psychology
Uma Odedra	12	Mrs Clark	Spanish
Charlie Rigby	12	Miss Capper	History
William Craft	13	Mr Jones	Business Studies
Alex Galpin	13	Mr Sutherland	Physics
Ellie Goldsmith	13	Miss McAleese	Psychology
Dhruva Teja Turaga	13	Mrs Lattimer	Further Maths
Thomas Wright	13	Miss Smallshaw	Chemistry

