BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN



Week ending Friday 05 May 2023 From Alastair Anderson, Headteacher

A week shortened by the Bank Holiday was shortened further by the power cut that struck the School on Wednesday and left the site without electricity for the best part of 12 hours. Ironically our staff had celebrated the opening of our extension that very morning, with significantly upgraded facilities coming online that will benefit the whole school community in time, and to be forced to send all students home a few hours after that opening certainly dampened the positive feelings present earlier in the day. We lost all access to servers, data, internal phones and other system-driven communications, and in this difficult black-out scenario the 21st century gave way to the early 20th century with runners carrying paper notes around the site and individual classes given face to face briefings as to decisions being taken. However, I must thank everyone for the way the challenge was met head on: Delaine Buses thankfully were able to produce a full bus service at very short notice, school staff rallied around for two hours to manage all students in a darkened setting without computers, registers, projectors, online resources or any such modern tools and despite having to throw so much food away without any access to ovens and cookers the Catering Department did their best to feed those who were unable to go home immediately at lunchtime. Parents additionally did a fabulous job adjusting to the difficulties presented to them.

We will be reviewing fully the challenges presented and our ability to cope with them should such a longterm power cut ever repeat. One recommendation I would make to all in the short term: please make sure you have an active Satchel:One account. In addition to giving clarity around homework and rewards/sanctions this platform provides a web-based communications option for us allowing messages to go onto a noticeboard that activates notifications on individual devices. We were able to use this to provide some official information as to what was going on, given our inability to use any other onsite communication tool but anyone not using Satchel:One will have missed those announcements. Please consider creating an account if you have not already done so.

Despite the short week and the power cut we have still seen the usual mix of positive success and involvement. The House Debating Finals took place on Thursday with Elijah Wood and Charlie Knight of Tinbergen coming out on top, cricket and cross country managed to dodge the cut and the rain, and the weekly schedule of exams has been completed successfully despite the loss of most of Wednesday. My thanks to Mrs Brett and the Duke of Edinburgh team for delivering a successful Bronze Expedition last weekend. The weather was good, and no electricity was required! Well done to all.

YEAR 12 – PROGRESS REVIEW MEETING: BOOKING SYSTEM

A reminder that the SchoolCloud booking system will open on Monday 15 May 20:00.

You will be able to book up to 10 appointments, each of 6 minutes in duration, and bookings will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. The system will ensure that each video appointment will commence and end at the scheduled time so please ensure you have logged into the system in good time to commence your appointment.

The online booking system can be accessed here: <u>https://bournegrammar.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/</u>

A login code is not required; the system has been set up using the details of the Priority 1 parent and your child's preferred forename (as used in School), surname and date of birth as recorded on our database. Guidance on how to carry out a video call can be found here: <u>*Click here*</u>

All queries about online booking should be directed by e-mail to Mrs Hall via <u>prm@bourne-</u> grammar.lincs.sch.uk

The booking system will close on Sunday 21 May at 23:55.

HOUSE MATHS CHALLENGE – Report by Mr Flight and House Leaders

Just prior to the Easter holidays, all students in years 7 – 11 took part in the Inter-House Maths Challenge.

To win the challenge for their House, students needed to correctly answer as many maths questions as possible. During form time, the challenge was completed with enthusiasm by the students to try to win the all-important accolade of the most mathematical House at BGS.

Scores from the two forms in each House, in each year, were added together and contributed to an overall total for the House.

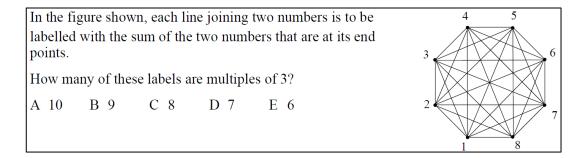
The results are shown below and a huge congratulations to Behn House on your victory in this competition.

| The re | sults | were: |
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| Place | House | Total |
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| 1 st | Behn (Forms A + E) | 286 |
| 2 nd | Meitner (Forms B + F) | 251 |
| 3 rd | Tinbergen (Forms D + H) | 212 |
| 4 th | Rorschach (Forms C + G) | 197 |

Many thanks to Mr Flight who organised the questions and scoring.

Try it yourself! A typical question given in The Maths House Challenge is shown below. Have a go and see how you get on: (answer at the end of this bulletin)



DofE BRONZE TRAINING WEEKEND – 29 & 30 APRIL – HORBLING & BILLINGBOROUGH SCOUT CAMP – Report by Mrs Brett, DofE Manager

The DofE students have been busy again, this time it was the turn of the Year 10s who had their first experience of a DofE Expedition. After being dropped off by parents at Horbling, the students set up camp at the local Scout Camp and embarked on a weekend of training, camping and hiking. Day One comprised of First Aid case study exercises, navigation and map reading practice, cooking on a Trangia demos, respecting the countryside quizzes, setting up camp practice and team building games; all designed to prepare the students for their Bronze Qualifying Expedition on 13 and 14 May.

On day two, students packed up all camp and personal belongings into their rucksacks and walked approximately 16km from Horbling to Kirkby Underwood. They were accompanied by a DofE supervisor and put into practice their navigation skills to successfully make their way via footpaths and bridleways across the Lincolnshire countryside. All students were successful in completing the weekend and are now ready to progress to the Bronze Qualifier in less than 2 weeks time. Well done Year 10 Bronze!



INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Well done to Toby Staines, Year 7 who won Langtoft 3k Road race last Sunday 30 April in a time of 10 min 55. An average of 3 min 32 per km.

Congratulations to the following students who have recently achieved success with their DofE Bronze or Silver Awards:

Bronze success:

Gabriel Carver, Year 11 Poppy Johnson, Year 12

Silver Success:

Amelia Griffiths, Year 13 Anthony Catherwood, Year 12 Emily Clipson-Cox, Year 12 Hannah Taylor, Year 12

House Totals

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| 38298 | 36296 | 36352 | 33359 |

These totals show all House Points earned minus Behaviour Points. It includes points from all students in each house up to 28/4/2023.

YEAR 11 REVISION SESSIONS

Please find below, this week's Year 11 revision sessions. Year 11 students can choose the session of most use to themselves and simply turn up at the time and venue stated. No booking is required.

| | Monday 08 May | Tuesday 09 May | Wednesday 10 May | Thursday 11 May |
|----------------|------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--|
| Subject | Geography | Design Engineering | English | Music |
| Room | G3 | DE1 & DE2 | E1 & E8 | MU1 |
| Revision Topic | No Session - Bank Holiday | No Session | No Session | 'Coursework Catch -up and Set Work Musical Elements' |
| Subject | Drama | Spanish (Higher) | Computer Science | Art |
| Room | Drama Studio | MFL2 | CS2 | A2 |
| Revision Topic | No Session - Bank Holiday | Listening & Reading Skills | String Manipulation in Python | No Session |
| Subject | Spanish (Set 1 &2) | French | EPR | Physical Education |
| Room | MFL1 & MFL2 | MFL3 | EPR1 | PE1 |
| Revision Topic | No Session - Bank Holiday | Exam Practice (Listening, Reading & Writing) | How to write 4 mark answers | Paper 2 |
| Subject | Spanish (Set 4 & 5) | Spanish (Foundation) | | |
| Room | MFL9 | MFL9 | | |
| Revision Topic | Bank Holiday | Listening & Reading Skills | | |

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

| Name | Year | Staff | Subject |
|----------------------|------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Anoushka Bartram | 7 | Mrs Worrall | Spanish |
| Rebecca Board | 7 | Mr Andy | Mathematics |
| Jess Cummins | 7 | Mr Clark | Computer Science |
| Seb Kay | 7 | Mr Brown | Computer Science |
| Begum Kurtoglu | 7 | Mrs Williamson | English |
| Parinith Rangaswamy | 7 | Mrs Allen | English |
| Zoe Roberts | 7 | Mrs Worrall | Spanish |
| Sophie Robinson | 7 | Mr Khumalo | Science |
| Ben Potter | 8 | Mr Khumalo | Science |
| Weronika Skrzynecka | 8 | Mr Bainbridge | History |
| Alice Barratt | 9 | Mrs Clark | Spanish |
| Chloe Cox | 9 | Mr Bainbridge | History |
| Eva Harris | 9 | Mrs Williamson | English |
| Max Lyon | 9 | Mrs Williamson | English |
| Keira Rayner | 9 | Miss Atkinson | EPR |
| Max Heames | 10 | Mrs Allen | English |
| Masha Morozova | 10 | Miss Smith | PE |
| Dhanya Ravi | 10 | Mr Williamson-Ward | English |
| Talha Sohail | 10 | Mrs Lattimer | Statistics |
| Rohan Taank | 10 | Miss Smallshaw | Chemistry |
| Mothisha Veluppillai | 10 | Mr Williamson-Ward | English |
| Freddie Finch | 11 | Mr Dougall | Design Engineering |
| Briony Nelson | 11 | Mr Moxley | Drama |
| Prasidda Jolmi | 12 | Dr Hanson | Biology |
| Bibin Joshua | 12 | Mr Jones | Business Studies |
| Alita Thomas | 12 | Miss McAleese | Psychology |
| Keyon Snoek | 12 | Mrs Shales | Pastoral |
| Charlie Starr | 12 | Mr Jones | Business Studies |
| Jack Bannister | 13 | Ms Creedon | Spanish |
| Rosa Glover | 13 | Mrs Bolitho | English Language |
| Kaavya Guhan | 13 | Miss McAleese | Psychology |
| Samuel Mozley | 13 | Miss Sanders | Sociology |

Answer to the Maths Challenge – A 10

