

BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

Week ending Friday 20 November 2020

From Jonathan Maddox, Headteacher

VIRTUAL PRIZES & AWARDS EVENING - Thursday 26 November at 7pm

It is very much my wish that in spite of the unique circumstances we must make every effort to recognise, formally and properly, the manifold achievements of our students from the fractured 2019/20 School year.

For too much time the students were not in School but throughout they continued to learn, support each other and contribute to School's virtual atmosphere in the manner which is so distinctively theirs. Our students' endeavours and exertions were noticed. As in any other year, the achievements of the 2019/20 School year will be recorded for posterity and the students given the warmest and most sincere acclamation that we can muster for them.

Our Virtual Prizes & Awards Evening, which combines the usual November Speech Night (for students in the current Years 11-13 plus last year's Year 13) and last summer's Speech Night (for students then in Years 7-10) will take place online on Thursday 26 November 2020 at 7.00pm. It will be presented in the form of a live broadcast from the School Hall - alas empty of prize and award winners - and will feature live addresses from the Head Boy and Head Girl, our Chair of Governors Mr Ian Mears and from myself. Each prize or award winner will receive in the post a specially-produced commemorative programme along with their prize, or prizes. The special awards which are usually accompanied by the presentation of a cup or shield will be made but the cups and shields will for this year remain at School; they will be duly engraved so that the present winners will have their success permanently recorded along with that of their many predecessors and successors.

I am looking forward very much to this happy occasion. All prize-winners and recipients of awards, and their parents/carers, will receive a personal invitation which will include the link to the live broadcast. Happily, though, for the first time this year, the fact that the event is to be broadcast means that everyone in the School community can share in the evening and not just the relatively limited number that can be crammed into Bourne Abbey or our Main Hall.

I very much hope that you will wish to join us to share in this special occasion, to celebrate the achievements of our students and to recognise above all that in the face of so much obstruction, our School is very much alive and is as busy as ever. The broadcast will not be too lengthy because the names of the winners will not be read out as they are at the traditional events. The link to the live broadcast is: <https://youtu.be/3w1DFJV-d54>. The link is working now so can be bookmarked ready for use on Thursday 26 November at 7pm.

DRAMA ON THE FIELD - Wednesday 18 November

We have seen more than enough drama on the field given that the entire School had to spend some hours out there during the recent bomb-scare, so it was with some anxiety that I observed a helicopter landing unannounced on the field early on Wednesday morning. It turned out to be an air-ambulance. Our Assistant Site Manager Mr Spanswick was at once to hand and he welcomed the occupants who had landed their helicopter here because it was close to an emergency that they were attending. Mr Spanswick had the minibus ready in no time and kindly drove the medics to the site of the emergency. Doubtless to the disappointment of the students the helicopter left before the majority had arrived for the day. My thanks to Mr Spanswick for his assistance. Of course, our field is always available to support the local community when emergencies are encountered.



PARENT GOVERNOR

I am delighted to confirm that Mrs Lea Williams, a lawyer and parent of a student in Year 12, has been elected to serve as a Parent Governor for a term of four years.

FOOD BANK - Mr Brooker, Assistant Headteacher (Pastoral)

Next week Bourne Grammar School will run its annual Food Bank collection, led as always by Mrs Clark and this year supported by our Senior Prefects on the Outreach Committee. Of course it is much more difficult to run such initiatives this year, but in conjunction with the Local Health Protection Team we have established a process that ensures the safety of all. At a time when bubbles and lockdowns dominate the national agenda, the related restrictions make contact with the wider community more difficult than ever. And so it is that I write with no small amount of pride that the School continues in its commitment to the local community.

Staff, students and their families are all invited to make whatever contributions they can; please see the posters below regarding the products desired and the collection dates. Later in the term the School will also run its annual Shoe Box Collection for the Evergreen Care Trust, supporting older and more vulnerable adults in our local community.



DONATE TO BOURNE FOOD BANK



Wednesday 25th November

- Year 8, 10 & 12 - Drop donations in the box as you enter the school in the morning.
- Year 9 & 13 - Drop donations on the table inside the gate as you enter the school in the morning.

DONATE TO THE FOOD BANK



Friday 27th November

- Year 7 - Drop donations in the table at reception as you enter the school in the morning.
- Year 11 - Drop donations on the table underneath the canopy (outside the plaza) as you enter the school in the morning.

CATCH-UP PROGRAMME - Mr Hewitt, Deputy Headteacher (Academic)

Another well-attended week of catch-up sessions saw over 400 students attend at least one of the extra lessons offered after-school. It was wonderful to see such large turnouts, particularly in English, Biology, Geography and Statistics.

The catch-up sessions taking place next week are displayed in the table below. In order to reserve a place for the face-to-face sessions, please use the booking system which can be accessed [here](#). Students can sign-up for as many sessions as they would like to attend; bookings can be made each week between 15:00 on Friday and 21:00 on Sunday for sessions in the subsequent week. Any student can take part in a *TEAMS* session; students should simply go to their year group TEAM and the teacher will post an invite to the session at 17:00.

Best wishes and thanks to all staff and students involved.

	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 11	YEAR 13	
Mon 23 Nov	ENGLISH	COMPUTER SCIENCE	MATHEMATICS	HISTORY	PSYCHOLOGY	
	Reading: Finding multiple interpretations. Miss McVicker PE1	How Computers Work Mr Brown CO2	Simultaneous Equations Mr Roche M1	Edward's Welsh Campaigns Dr Barmby H2	Biopsychology and research methods Miss Thurlow SS4	
	Reading: Finding multiple interpretations. Miss Smithson TEAMS	How Computers Work Mr Walker TEAMS	Simultaneous Equations Mr Sheppard TEAMS	Edward's Welsh Campaigns Dr Barmby TEAMS	Biopsychology and research methods Miss Thurlow TEAMS	
Tues 24 Nov	ENGLISH	PHYSICS	HISTORY	MATHEMATICS	SPANISH	ECONOMICS
	Reading: Analysing language techniques. Miss Dye PE1	Physics Skills Mr Sutherland E4	President Hoover and the Great Depression Miss Capper M5	Factorise Quadratics/Quadratic Formula Dr Murphy EPR 2	La inmigración Multiple exam skills Miss Creedon SS3	Theme 1: Elasticity and Externalities Mr Hartley SS1
	Reading: Analysing language techniques. Miss Bennett TEAMS	Physics Skills Mr Mitchell TEAMS	President Hoover and the Great Depression Miss Capper TEAMS	Factorise Quadratics/Quadratic Formula Mr Sheppard TEAMS	No Session Required	No Session Required
Weds 25 Nov	MATHEMATICS	COMPUTER SCIENCE	ENGLISH LITERATURE	MUSIC	MATHEMATICS	MEDIA STUDIES
	Introduction to probability Mr Andy M11	Advanced Python Mr Brown CO2	Macbeth Extract Miss Watson M1	Composition Coursework Mr Tomlinson S15	Trigonometry Mr Smith G1	Online News and Clay Shirky Mr Williamson E11
	Introduction to probability Mr Sheppard TEAMS	Advanced Python Mr Walker TEAMS	Macbeth Extract Miss Bennett TEAMS	No Session Required	No Session Available	No Session Required
Thurs 26 Nov	PRM Day					

REYES Y REINAS DE LA ORTOGRAFÍA - Ms Baverstock, Spanish

At the end of each term, the Spanish Department celebrates the students who have been most successful in their weekly spelling tests by consistently scoring top marks. To highlight their hard work and dedication, these students are awarded the title '*los reyes y reinas de la ortografía*' (the Spelling Kings and Queens) and their names are displayed on their Year Group notice boards. Furthermore, the names of all students who achieve this impressive feat are put into a prize draw to win an Amazon voucher.

Ms Mears (Subject Leader: English), Ms Creedon (Deputy Subject Leader: Spanish) and I conducted our Term 1 draw earlier this week and I am pleased to announce that our winner is Archie Bointon (Year 9). Congratulations to Archie, and to all of our *reyes y reinas* - we are very proud of you all!



YEAR 9 UPDATES - *Miss Bradley, Head of Year 9*

In Year 9 our Pastoral Base is a hive of activity, with many members of our community utilising the space. It started life as a brand new classroom, which is fantastic but can be a little soulless with the clean white walls! To brighten up the space, I asked Sanjani Mamillapalle if she would like to produce a piece of art for the base and she was very enthused to help us out. She wondered what we were looking for and so I gave her the brief - calming, colourful and peaceful; I'm sure you will agree that Sanjani has fulfilled the brief and more. The artwork she has produced is stunning and is already getting lots of comments from staff and students alike; it certainly brightened up mine and Miss Turton's day! It just shows what a talented group of students we have here at BGS, and it is wonderful when we are able to celebrate this outside of the curriculum.



Additionally in Year 9, our Student Leadership team is up and running, with a fantastic group of individuals who were selected from a stringent application process. So far, the team have worked together to create a Year 9 BGS Bees Newsletter and are in the process of creating Christmas plans, alongside a reward scheme for all. Miss Turton and I have been bowled away by their fantastic ideas and commitment to the year group - we look forward to seeing the positive impact they will have for the rest of this academic year.

The Year 9 Student Leadership Team comprises of: Robyn Baldock, Evie Lound, Harry Brear, Connie Bayliss, Clara Lytle, Sanjani Mamillapalle, Tristan Ng, Emily Thomas, Jess Gois, Aneesa Gilani, Madison Prince, Courtney Pudney, Harrison Smith, Jack Knowles, Hermione King, Lily Cole, and Vivienne Chen

YEAR 10 FORM FOOTBALL - *Mr Bowers, PE*

Year 10 Form Football has been introduced during Tuesday lunchtimes this term. Seven students from each form are playing in a number of league matches throughout the term, leading to semi-finals and finals in the final week of the school term.

It is fantastic to see a number of students taking part and representing their forms, making the most of the new Astro turf surface.



HOUSE MATHS CHALLENGE - *House Leaders*





This week, with the help of form tutors and Heads of Year, the School has taken part in a House Maths Challenge. Students represented their Houses and took part in mental arithmetic tasks, with scores from each form being calculated to find a form group winner from each year, a house winner from each year, and an overall house winner across the School.

The competition consisted of fifteen questions of varying difficulty, which were visible for 10 seconds each.

The House Leaders would like to express their appreciation to all students who took part - a special mention must go to a number of students across the School who achieved fantastic results in the event. Results will be announced next week during form times.



HOUSE POINT TOTALS

			
5,297	5,922	5,553	5,731

*These totals show all House Points earned minus Behaviour Points.
It includes points from all students in each house up to 19/11/2020.*

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Connor Dunn	7	Mr Brown	Computing
Austin Harrison	7	Mr Maddox	Citizenship
Oscar Huang	7	Ms Jasinska	Spanish
Flynn Knight	7	Miss Lindley	Geography
Alfie Martin	7	Mrs Williamson	English
Finlay Smith	7	Miss Patman	Spanish
Amber Allison	8	Mr Fone	Computing
Will Bayliss	8	Miss Atkinson	EPR
Millie Doud	8	Mr Adams	Mathematics
Erin French	8	Dr Owen	English
Eshaal Ihtisham-Ahktar	8	Miss Bradley	PE
Erin Larter	8	Miss Turton	Drama
Lucie Lund	8	Mr Green	History
Isaac Malcolm	8	Miss Segarra Ginés	Spanish
Chiara Pacitti	8	Mr Walker	Computing
Louis Sanderson	8	Miss Segarra Ginés	Spanish
Ayesha Shazad	8	Ms Bowtell	PE
Alexanne Bradley	9	Mrs Cowell	French
Harry Brear	9	Miss Doerpinghaus	German
Vivienne Chen	9	Mr Tomlinson	Music
Millie Daines	9	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Rhys Evans	9	Mrs Pignatiello	Drama
Ada Henson	9	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Delicia Johnson	9	Mrs Pignatiello	Drama
Sai Kandikattu	9	Mr Delport	Design Engineering
Mathilda King	9	Mrs Lawrie	Mathematics
Madison Mylchreest	9	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Courtney Pudney	9	Mr Tomlinson	Music
Cristian Zagorodniuc	9	Mr Gillespie	Mathematics
Keira Maxey	10	Miss Mafusire-Strawford	Art
Jack Moocarme	10	Mr Walker	Computing
Abiel Simon	10	Ms McVicker	English
Aleesha Ali	11	Miss Hurrell	Spanish
Evie Bage	11	Dr Hanson	Biology
Jack Bannister	11	Ms Creedon	Spanish
Theo Briston	11	Mrs Clark	Spanish
Rosie Campbell-Waggott	11	Mr Gillespie	Mathematics
Alex Jungmann	11	Ms McVicker	English
Suraj Kalikiri	11	Mrs Lattimer	Mathematics
Charlotte Parker	11	Miss Bennett	English
Rebekah Stockman	11	Miss Doerpinghaus	German
Millie Armstrong	12	Miss Watson	English Language
Grace Brown	12	Mr Moxley	Theatre Studies
Julia Chetian	12	Mrs Woolf	Chemistry
Maisie Lloyd	12	Mr Williamson	Media Studies
Olivia Thompson	12	Miss Watson	English Language
Hattie Walton	12	Miss Smallshaw	Chemistry
Ben Williamson	12	Mr Walker	Computing

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Sport

Ed Lowe (Year 13) has been a keen road cyclist since the age of 7, but it was only in 2016 that he started to compete seriously in National Endurance races, with some success. In June 2018, he decided to try Velodrome Cycling and quickly realised that he had the skills to become a Track Sprinter. In March 2019, he was invited to join the Great Britain Cycling Team (GBCT), as one of only four Youth Apprentices (U16) for Track Sprinting. He was assigned his own coach and attended weekend training sessions at different velodromes.

Ed competed in his first Junior National Track Championships in August 2019 and managed to break a National Record for the 500 metre time trial and do very well in several other sprint races. He went on to break two further National Records for Team Sprinting and the Flying 500 Metres. As a result of these performances, he was invited onto the Junior Squad of the Great Britain Cycling Team (GBCT) as a Track Sprinter in December 2019. In January 2020, Ed represented Great Britain for the first time in Apeldoorn, Holland.

Ed has been specialising as a Man 1 for the Team Sprint, as he has an outstandingly fast start. In January, Ed lead Team-Blackline to a Bronze medal in the Team Sprint at the Men's Elite National Track Championships as Man 1, behind the GBCT Podium and GBCT Senior Teams, making them the fastest amateur team in the UK. At the time, Ed was only 16.

During lockdown there have been no competitions, but Ed continued to train hard. In September 2020 Ed was selected for a second year in the Junior Squad (U18) of the Great British Cycling Team (GBCT).

Last week in Manchester, Ed took part in a GBCT race assessment training camp, alongside the Senior and Podium squads. All riders had to do a Standing Lap (250 metres Time Trial), and Ed posted a time of 17.64", the fourth fastest in the GBCT, and faster than Jason Kenny MBE, the six-time Olympic Champion. Ed was informed that his time was astonishingly fast and beat the Junior World Record. In the Flying 200 Metre event, Ed posted a time of 10.51", which was a Personal Best by over 0.3" and another world class time for a Junior. He also had a match-sprint race against Jason Kenny, which Jason won but only by about three metres. Ed has now already exceeded his targets for the Junior GBCT, and as such is in a good place to be selected into the Senior Academy of the GBCT in September 2021 and become a professional athlete.
