

# BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

Week ending Friday 9 June 2017

From Jonathan Maddox, *Headteacher*

## MOCK ELECTION - 8 June 2017 ... *You're joking - not another one!*

For the third time in two years, Year 7 students had the chance to put into practice what they have learned about the sharp end of our national democratic tradition in their Citizenship lessons. Using our genuine election ballot boxes - now showing evidence of hard use - the students set up the Main Hall as the School's Polling Station and staffed it at lunchtime when the room was inundated with students, anxious to feel the weight of responsibility and authority that falls on us all as we grasp that stubby pencil and cast our vote.



I write on election day and before the national result is known but in a seat as safe as Grantham & Stamford a Conservative win in School was anticipated, and that transpired, but this time the majority was much reduced and Labour showed up very well.

The fifty or so students who ran the mock election did a superb, efficient job and afforded their peers an experience that really is very close to that in a real polling station. The photographs give a sense of the fun we all had throughout the day.

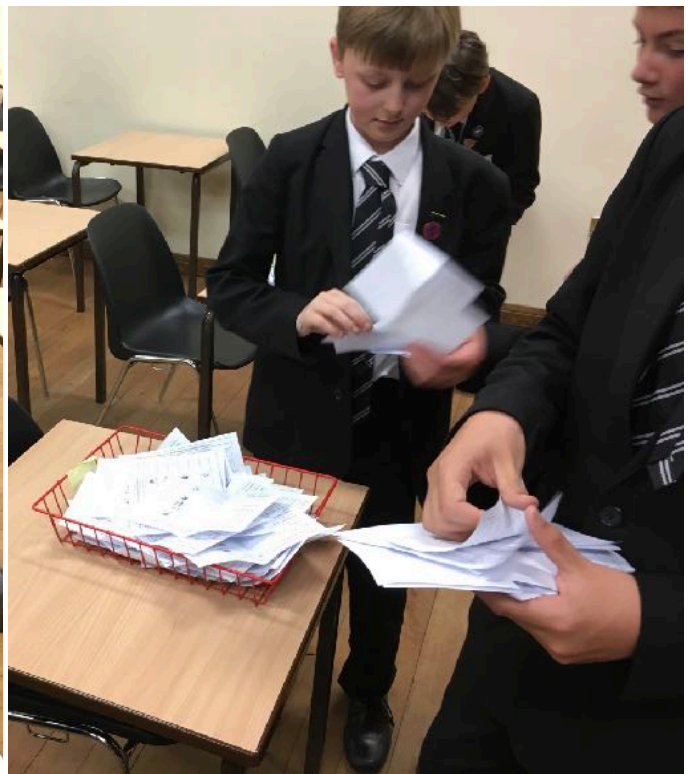
As is our tradition, the ballot paper was as identical as we could make it to the genuine Grantham & Stamford constituency paper.



The results were:

Conservative	198 (Hold)
Labour	160
Liberal Democrat	66
UKIP	37
Green	28
Independent	12
(Spoiled)	29)







### **YEAR 9 VISIT THE HOLOCAUST CENTRE - Report by Fabio Valerio (Year 9)**

We arrived at the National Holocaust Centre anticipating a challenging day. We were instantly greeted by hundreds of tiny memorials and sculptures throughout the pristine garden, each one containing the story of a victim of the Holocaust. We spent the first half of the day watching a brief film about the speaker (Arek Hersh) who we would be listening to later that day and his story as a survivor of the Holocaust. Much of lunch was spent in the café and the gift shop until 1pm when we made our way back to the main hall ready for Arek's talk.

Many students during Arek's talk were taken aback by the horrors and atrocities of the Holocaust. At age 11, he was taken to a concentration camp called *Otoschono* where he witnessed many things that we couldn't begin to imagine. Later in his talk, he allowed students to ask questions; many students were eager to know his thoughts and feelings during his time at the infamous *Auschwitz Birkenau* concentration camp aged 14, where he was finally liberated by the Russians in 1945.

After the talk, students paid respect to the victims in the beautiful garden and many students placed a stone on a memorial commemorating the 1.6 million children murdered in the Holocaust. By the end of the day, not only did students have a better understanding of the Holocaust, but understood the importance of standing up to genocide.



### **LINCOLNSHIRE COMBINED EVENTS - Report by Mr Ray and Miss Hempstead, PE**

At the end of last term, six students from Years 8 to 10 competed in the County Combined Events trials in Boston across two days, with a chance of being selected to represent Lincolnshire at the Regional Finals in Bedford.

On the first day, Sophie Brittain (Year 10) completed four of her seven events for the heptathlon, with excellent performances in the 200m (486 points) and hurdles which placed her second after the first day of competition. Will Kong (Year 8), in his first competition of this nature, took the competition by storm; in his first full hurdles race over 80 metres, a time of 11.8 seconds amassed



over 700 points and made the qualifying standard for the English Schools. He also achieved an impressive 5.31m in the long jump and 10.21m in the shot put. The weaker of his events, the high jump (1.36m) was followed by a time of 2.24 minutes for the 800m, winning by some 50 metres and a total of 2341 points. This secured Will first place and qualification for the Regional Final.

The Junior Girls competed on the second day; three of the girls won four of the five pentathlon events between them - hurdles, shot put, long jump and high jump.

Katie Callcut (Year 8) finished in a superb second place with 2057 points and Fran Fenwick (Year 8) finished in third with a total of 2004 points. Both girls had their top score in the hurdles with 13.0 (568 points) and 13.3 (539 points) respectively, and they will now progress to the Regional Final with Sophie Brittain (Year 10), who qualified in first position.

A huge well done to all of the students who competed; they were wonderful ambassadors for the school and behaved very sensibly on a very sunny day!

### STAMFORD MUSIC COMPETITION - Mr Tomlinson, Director of Music

On Saturday 3 June, five students from Years 7 and 8 competed in the Stamford Music Competition, organised by our peripatetic piano teacher Mr Black. As adjudicator of the competition, I was proud to see our students competing against some very strong musical talent from other schools in the area; 74 acts competed in total. Pictured is Daniel Arnold (Year 7), who competed in the Grade 6-8 Instrumentalists class playing the drums and who received an 'outstanding' grade.



The students who took part were:

- Daniel Arnold (Year 7) - Grade 6-8 Instrumentalists (Drums)
- Oscar Potts (Year 7) - Grades 4 or 5 Instrumentalists (Clarinet)
- Liberty Bessent (Year 8) - Grades 4 or 5 Instrumentalists (Violin)
- Ciara Glasswell (Year 8) - Grades 4 or 5 Instrumentalists (Violin)
- Sian Manzur (Year 8) - Grades 2 or 3 Instrumentalists (Piano)

### DATE FOR THE DIARY

There are only a few tickets left for our *Night of Music from the Stage and Screen*, taking place on Friday 23 June from 7pm. Tickets can be purchased at <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/363538> - tickets are priced at £6 for adults and £4 for concessions (students, staff and Governors of Bourne Grammar School, and OAPs). As well as performances of iconic pieces from films and musicals by the School's musical ensembles, solo and group performances from students in a range of year groups will also feature in the evening's programme.

In addition, the Art Department welcomes you to their annual Summer Showcase of work, produced by A-Level and GCSE students from the 2016/17 academic year. The exhibition will take place on Friday 23 June from 16:30 to 18:30 - those who purchase tickets for the Music Concert that evening can, if they wish to, view the artwork during the interval.



## ARTWORK

The artwork featured this week has been made by Year 11 students, based on the theme 'Beginning and/or End'.



*Georgina Laxton*



*Will McCullough*

# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Daniel Arnold	7	Miss Hurrell	Spanish
Katie Follington	7	Miss Cousins	History
Dhruva Teja Turaga	7	Mr Templar	Systems & Control
Lily Whitmore	7	Mr Topham	History
Alexandra Williams	7	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Marcus Williams	7	Mr Templar	Computing
Maria Wright	7	Miss Bennett	English
Sophie Burton	8	Miss Dye	English
John Elliott	8	Mr Drinkell	Mathematics
Francesca Fenwick	8	Miss Hempstead	PE
Molly Morrison	8	Miss Smallshaw	Science
Thomas Bodily	9	Mr Perez	Physics
Parie Desai	9	Mrs Somerville	Art
Jacob Hulme	9	Miss Ellis	Art
Dona Mathew	9	Mrs Woolf	Chemistry
Holly O'Neill	9	Miss Atkinson	EPR
Peter Reid	9	Mr Turton	Mathematics
Sophie West	9	Mr Bainbridge	History
Jonathan Gutteridge	10	Mr Baker	Biology
Antonia Hubbard	10	Mr Mitchell	Physics
Shan Waqasi	10	Mrs Worrall	Spanish

## INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

**Tennis** During half term, Zachary Cox (Year 9) took part in the Dollamore Junior Open in Chesterfield. He played in a number of age categories over the week and was successful in winning both the U14 and U16 singles finals and was runner-up in the U14 doubles. Zach is sponsored by Head, who also sponsor and provide racquets for Andy Murray.

