



Bourne Grammar School Weekly Bulletin



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Reflections of the Week

Mark Brunker

This week saw two hugely significant events in the school calendar: Sports Day and the inaugural West End Wonders Junior.

Sports Day delivered some truly electric performances. The sheer speed of our top sprinters was a sight to behold, but equally impressive were the strength and skill on display in the throwing and jumping events, alongside the stamina shown in the longer-distance races. What made the day especially memorable was the level of determination and participation, with so many students earning valuable points in support of their House. The standard was incredibly high, both in terms of performance and sportsmanship, with the fiercely contested relay and tug of war events standing out as particular highlights. Despite the soaring temperatures, energy and spirit never wavered.

My sincere thanks go to everyone who took part, as well as to the tireless efforts of staff and Sixth Formers running events throughout the day. Thanks also to Ms Bowtell for expertly organising the programme, and to Ms Creedon for her meticulous behind-the-scenes planning of the day. The Sports Day Champions, along with the overall House Champions, will be crowned next week. Anticipation is high.

This week also witnessed the stunning debut of West End Wonders Junior — a large-scale, high-quality production showcasing the incredible talent and dedication of our students.





The level of commitment from both students and staff has been immense. How Mr Jones has managed to coordinate such a vast number of students — all balancing their academic work and other activities — remains a mystery to me. The result has been a series of powerful, polished, and moving performances. What makes it all the more astonishing is the young age of the performers; their talent, stage presence, and confidence would impress at any level.

I have dipped into rehearsals in the build-up and was fortunate to witness part of the special matinee performances earlier in the week for visiting primary schools. However, tonight's final performance promises to be the most special of all, and I am very much looking forward to experiencing it in full.

Thank you to every student who has played a part, on stage or behind the scenes. Special praise goes to Livvy Bodmer for investing so much time in her outstanding dance choreography, all while studying for her GCSEs.

Thanks also to Mr Tomlinson, our Director of Music, whose pride in the students' musical performances has been evident at every turn. But the greatest thanks must go to Mr Jones, the driving force behind it all. His dedication, precise planning, and unwavering belief in what our students can achieve have brought this production to life. We are all incredibly fortunate to be part of a school that creates and celebrates such uplifting and unforgettable experiences.

House Totals

			
8250	8771	7492	9885

These totals show all House Points earned minus Behaviour Points. It includes points from all students in each house for Term 5 up to 10 July.

Upcoming Careers Fair

Mrs Elliot

The Bourne Grammar School biennial careers fair will be taking place on Wednesday 1 October 6pm-8.30pm which all students then in year 10-13 are invited to attend. It promises to be a fabulous evening with nearly 60 universities, colleges and employers attending. Some of those confirmed are below.



We are keen to engage with both local and national employers who are happy to give our students an insight into their sector and available opportunities especially if you offer apprenticeships. Additionally, if you are not in a position to represent a company but would be happy to talk to students at the fair about your role or profession, please do get in touch.

Anyone interested in attending the fair can contact Mrs. Elliot, Head of Careers and Higher Education, at careers@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk

Duke of Edinburgh – Y10 Bronze Achievements

Mrs Brett

A remarkable 67 Bronze Award participants have successfully completed their Award before the end of the school term. Congratulations to the following students, I hope you have enjoyed the experience and I look forward to supporting some of you through your Silver Awards next year!



The table lists the names of 67 students who completed their Bronze Award. The names are organized by the first letter of their name. The background of the list features a silhouette of a hiker with a backpack.

BRONZE CONGRATULATIONS	
A	C
Eddie Amos	Monty Bage
Chidera Anike	Sonia Oleksiewicz
Sasha Johnson	Maddie Taylor
Alf Larter	Samhita Prasath
Lucy Preston	Aras Tugluer
Josie Thrift	
Aarya Vijayasankar	D
Bella Ward	Dylan Baldock
	Isabelle Clarkson
B	Freya Dunnett
Felix Caney	Evie Fletcher
Rupert Cole	Isabelle Hughes
Lucy Edgar	Jordan Jafri
Emily Sewell	Dominic James
Jiya Sivakumar	Max Neal
Weronika Skrzynecka	Akshith Pandian
	Ben Potter
	Aaron Sadler
	Jake Stubbs
	E
	Ali Abdallah
	Fin Ashwell
	Ted Bolitho
	Jack Caffrey
	George Dennis
	Isobel Dougall
	Charlotte Edwards
	Jessica Hammond
	Riley Haw
	Ted Maycock
	Evie Metcalfe
	Niketh Nambala
	Luisella Pacitti
	F
	Will Blades
	Harry Cameron
	Leah Graham
	Ellen Richardson
	Marika Timmins
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	Tom Blanthorne
	Emily Holland
	Honor Moore
	Srinitha Nandyalam
	Lucinda Waugh
	H
	Ben Alliston
	Ella Barratt
	Hannah Fernandez
	Joshi Harriss
	Ava Hodge
	Ellis Lester
	Henry Locke
	Scarlett Parr
	Bella Pridgeon
	Adeena Sajid
	Daisy Willimer
	Bharvya Woosa
	Oliwia Zajac

Y12 Silver Achievement – Congratulations also to Kashvi Woosa (Year 12) who has completed her DofE Silver Award.

Bridge success at the House of Lords

Harriet Cork, Year 12

On the 3rd July, I attended an event at the House of Lords, due to my role as a Junior International Bridge player, to represent state schoolgirls. Out of the 12 school aged children from across the country who were invited to the event, I was the only representative of the Midlands. We played in teams of 4 people, with me playing alongside 3 other people who were female Junior Internationals. Collectively we were called "England Women".

As part of the day, I received a tour of the House of Lords by Lord Caithness, who would later be one of my team's opponents. Upon returning to the room where we would be playing the all-important game of Bridge, we sat down with our respective teams to do some last-minute strategy planning. The format of this event was a Round Robin (everyone played everyone once), and we would play 5 boards of Bridge against all other teams in the event. We played the two other junior teams, and a team made up of four members of the House of Lords.

On the first round of the event my team played the team made of 4 players from Yorkshire and Durham. At the end of the round after we had scored up as a team, the round finished 36-26, with us gaining 15 Victory Points (VPs) at the end of this round. VPs are the measurement used to score teams matches. The maximum number of VPs you can receive in a round is 20, and between the two teams playing against each other, the VPs always total to 20, e.g. 13-7. The total number of VPs decide the ranking of teams at the end, meaning even if one team wins all their matches, a team who has not won all their matches can still win the event.

Round 2 commenced, and this time we were up against the Lords' Bridge team. They had been defeated by the team consisting of 4 students from Haberdashers' Boys school (an independent school based just outside London), so our hopes were high for achieving a good score against them. 5 boards later, we scored up and the score came out as 30-12, with my team winning 18VP, giving us a total of 33VPs so far.

Round 3 was against Haberdashers' Boys School (Habs) who had 37VPs, so we needed to win against them 13-7 as a minimum or else we wouldn't be able to win the event. We started the round and unfortunately for us the set was uneventful, so after scoring up the result was 3-1 to us, but this was not enough to reach the 13-7 VPs we needed to be able to overtake Habs. 3-1 converted into 11-9 VPs, so the scores were finalised with my team earning 43VPs and the winners, Habs earned 46VPs, despite us winning all our matches.

Prizes were given and photos were taken (I am circled below). The event was very enjoyable, and all attendees were incredibly grateful to be selected for this incredible opportunity.



Summer League

Mr Bowers

Congratulations to the weekly winners of the Summer League who can be seen below.

Aran Camfield	Olivia Webb	Isla Cummins	Benjamin Norton	Dennis Brierley
Nevaeh Agyameng	Zahra Majeed	Tom Godber	Alfie Lovell	
Darcie Trawford	Harry Armstrong	Riteesh Sabeshan	Edward Ciopec	



The current top 3 in each league with an extended week to go are:

	1st		2nd		3rd	
League	Name	Points	Name	Points	Name	Points
League 20	Hill Bella	145	Giblin Amelia	131	Holmes Zac	103
League 19	Agyemang Nevaeh	89	Moverley Dylan	74	Jones Francesca	71
League 18	Trawford Darcie	80	Smith Molly	56	Dragota Brogan	49
League 17	Hayes Henry	75	Farahat Lamar	59	James Natalie	57
League 16	Bailey Orla	65	Mulgrew Daniel	64	Bell Toby	49
League 15	Gibson Tyler	52	Spencer-Kidd Marcus	46	Roberts Charlie	42
League 14	Hempstead Charlie	56	Sweeney Oliver	54	Steel Millie	47
League 13	Sabeshan Ritheesh	53	Morgan Darcie	49	Unwin Henry	47
League 12	Allen Alexander	63	Wrigley Will	55	Ranjith Aakhash	50
League 11	Turner Arthur	63	Finch William	51	Amos Beatrice	47
League 10	Weeks Megan	36	Roberts Jude	34	Garrido Toby	31
League 9	Brierley Dennis	57	Gregory Bea	56	Wood Hamish	37

Students of the Week

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Sam Griffin	7	Mr Delport	Design Engineering
Vincent Bradley	7	Mr Bainbridge	History
Emeli Butcher	8	Mr Perez	Science
Alisha Chakamanga	8	Mr Bainbridge	History
Robin Daniels	8	Mr Bainbridge	History
Kodi Gloster	8	Mr Williamson	Art
Harrison Grief	8	Mr Bainbridge	History
Caoimhe Healy	8	Mr Williamson	Art
Hermione Lumb	8	Mr Perez	Science
Celina Peng	8	Mr Smith	Mathematics
Lillyana Darcy	8	Mr Bainbridge	History
Amberley Keith	8	Mr Bainbridge	History
Billy Vincent	8	Miss Lindley	Geography
Harry Armstrong	9	Mrs Charters	Spanish
Caspar Baldock	9	Mr Bainbridge	History
Sian Beeken	9	Ms Jasinska	Spanish
Mia Chiappini	9	Mrs Charters	Spanish
Mikayla Delport	9	Mrs Charters	Spanish
Bella Hill	9	Ms Jasinska	Spanish
Charlotte-May Houghton	9	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Alfie Lovell	9	Mr Bainbridge	Registration
Zahra Majeed	9	Mrs Charters	Spanish
Ritheesh Sabeshan	9	Mrs Charters	Spanish
Aarav Sharma	9	Mrs Charters	Spanish
Benjamin Sayer	9	Mr Perez	Biology
Alfie Bird	10	Mr Khumalo	Chemistry
Hannah Fernandez	10	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Matthew Foster	10	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Jessica Hammond	10	Mr Sutherland	Physics
Sara Haque	10	Mr Williamson-Ward	English

Mary Pepper	10	Miss Patman	Spanish
Harriet Rogers	10	Mr Khumalo	Chemistry
Ollie Wainwright	10	Mrs Charters	Spanish
Elisa Wright	10	Mr Khumalo	Chemistry
Jack Pepper	10	Mr Lennox	Physics

