



BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

Week ending Friday 13 September 2024

From Alastair Anderson, Headteacher

As the year swings into motion one of the features that has caught my eye has been how smart everyone looks. In addition to the new uniform brought in for Year 7 over the summer, we have also had a push on Sixth Form dress over the last two years, and we reviewed our staff dress code last year as well. This has had a noticeable impact: we look smarter than we were in the immediate aftermath of Covid, and we all know that we dress according to our mindset... so when we dress smart we come to school knowing we are here to work and, as a result, the community is engaged and proactive before a single word is spoken on the day. How we dress does matter, and I'm proud of everyone who has made such an effort to raise dress standards. When taken alongside the departure of mobile phones from widespread use across the site, there is a fantastic atmosphere around the school at present.

Additionally, I do want to single out our site team for some special praise at this time of year. We have a new Site Manager, David Baynes, who came to us at the end of last term from his previous role at Sacrewell Farm, and the site team have done some remarkable work in recent weeks. Working within a site team can be unglamorous work at times, but it is critical to the effective operations within school and David and his team have hit the ground running since the start of August, completing a range of projects and really making a positive difference to the environment of the school. I am grateful for all their hard work and it is right to applaud them publicly after a summer of hard graft. David, Leigh, Marcus and Kevin – thank you.

Finally, my usual plea to all students at this time of year: get involved! The clubs programme is swinging into action, and it is important to recognise that a great education by definition must be broad in nature. So...find something you are good at, something you are interested in, something perhaps you have never tried before, and give it a go. Only by taking up the opportunities placed in front of you can you make the most of what is on offer at school, and we are very lucky to have so many staff willing to give quality and variety to our extra-curricular programme. Details are on the website, so it's time to join in!

BBL CHAMPION AWARD – Mr Hewitt, Deputy Headteacher, Academic

Each week a student is publicly recognised for their outstanding independent learning and is awarded the title of BBL CHAMPION.

I am delighted to say that even at this early stage of the year there were many nominations this week but one student stood out: Kamsi Anike in 8G for his efforts in Geography.

Kamsi has impressed his teachers with his curiosity in lessons and willingness to learn independently at home. Despite having no homework set, Kamsi was so interested in the topic of Development and the Human Development Index that he took it upon himself to log onto SENECA and spend an hour and a half reading around - and answering questions on the topic. This is a skill that Kamsi began to develop in Year 7 and as he says, "I wanted to start Year 8 really well. I enjoy learning Geography, History and English and so spending time on SENECA doesn't really feel like work."



Well done to Kamsi for a wonderfully strong and impressive start to the year.

NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDERING – Games shirts are now back in stock with our new supplier and can be purchased [here](#).

Reminder – making contact with school

Here is a reminder of who to contact within the school if you have any queries. Full details can also be found on the school website - Contact Us

<u>absence@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	Reporting student absence (Year 7 - 13) due to illness or medical appointments. Please state the full name and year-group of your child, with an accompanying explanation Please report any absence on a daily basis Contact name: Mrs S Jeffery
<u>academic@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	All queries relating to academic and curriculum matters Contact name: Ms F Hill
<u>admissions@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	All queries relating to 11+ tests, entry at Year 7, mid-year entry and entry at Years 8, 9, 10 & 11 Contact name: Mrs A Revell
<u>careers@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	Queries relating to UCAS, Careers advice and information Contact name: Mrs H Elliot
<u>DofE@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	Duke of Edinburgh Award queries Contact name: Mrs R Brett
<u>detentions@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	All queries relating to detentions
<u>exams@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	All queries relating to exams, exam results and exam certificates Contact name: Mrs A Revell
<u>GCSEoptions@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	All queries relating to GCSE option choices selected in Year 9. Contact name: Mrs B Hall
<u>music.lessons@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	All queries relating to peripatetic music lessons

<u>pastoral@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	All queries relating to student pastoral matters and concerns Contact name: Mrs M Ford
<u>prm@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	All queries relating to Parent Review Meetings (PRMs) Contact name: Mrs B Hall
<u>recruitment@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	For current vacancies at Bourne Grammar School Contact name: Mr A Anderson & Ms F Hill
<u>SEND@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	All queries relating to Special Educational Needs & Disabilities (SEND) including exam access arrangements Contact name: Mr R Fleckney & Miss N Smith
<u>sixthform@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk</u>	All queries relating to Sixth Form admissions Contact name: Mrs A Revell

House Totals

			
2766	2959	2739	3554

These totals show all House Points earned minus Behaviour Points.
It includes points from all students in each house between 4/9/2024 - 12/9/2024.

The following music rehearsals will take place in school each week.

Day	Time	Rehearsal
Monday	1.00-1.25pm	Senior Choir (Year 9+)
Tuesday	8.50-9.10am	String Ensemble
	1.00-1.25pm	Orchestra (Grade 3+)
Wednesday	1.00-1.25pm	Junior Choir (Years 7-9)
Thursday	1.00-1.25pm	Junior Ensemble (up to Grade 3)
Friday	1.00-1.25pm	Jazz Band