

BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

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EPR STUDENTS VISIT THE NEASDEN TEMPLE - Report by Grace Ferguson (Year 11)



On Wednesday 7 March, a group of EPR students from Year 10 and 11 visited the *BAPS Shri Swaminarayn Mandir* in Neasden, London. We started the day learning about the temple's construction, which took over two years to complete. One of the temple's volunteers taught us about the significance of the impressive place of worship we were visiting; it is Europe's first traditionally-built Hindu temple, carved out of marble from Italy and almost three thousand tonnes of Bulgarian limestone to create the *Mandir's* intricate design.

Afterwards, we learned about the spiritual significance of the temple. We were all in awe of the *Murti*, the sacred images in Hinduism, which are the focus of worship in the temple. The daily *Arti*, a religious ritual, was taking place when we were there - it was a profound experience to be able to observe the ceremony amongst worshippers who visit the temple to pray as part of their everyday lives. Whilst we observed the *Arti*, we maintained a respectful silence in the *Mandir* since it is an active place of worship for Hindus across the UK.





When the *Arti* had finished, we were able to see an educational exhibition in the temple, informing us of the general history of Hinduism and how the community had come together to bring the idea of the temple into reality.

To have the opportunity to witness in person the daily rituals of the *Mandir* and to see the intricate design of the building was incredible, and an unparalleled experience we all thoroughly enjoyed and all benefitted from.

UKMT TEAM MATHS CHALLENGE - Report by Charlie Bryant (Year 9) and Mr Sheppard

On Thursday 8 March, a group of Year 8 and 9 students travelled to The King's School in Peterborough to take part in the UKMT Team Maths Challenge. On the way there, some of us were unsure of how the day was going to run, but after settling our nerves with some warm-up questions we were eager to get started.

The challenge was split into four sections; the first was 10 problem-solving questions, where the four of us had to work together, and section two was a 'cross-number', where two of us had the down clues and the other two had the across clues. Our first two scores were high; we achieved 48 out of 60 from both. After lunch, the questions became significantly more challenging - section three was the relay round, where we split into pairs and the answer to question 1 was used in question 2 and so on for the rest of the questions. Section 4 was another relay round, but the pairs were seated across the room from each other and when one pair finished a question, they ran across the room to the other pair to give them the next question. This gave rise to Mr Sheppard's favourite moment of the day, where Freya (and others) managed to run nearly the length of the hall before realising that the round hadn't actually started.

In the last two rounds, our scores dropped to 36/60 and 16/60. It was evident that all teams had found the last rounds tough, so when the results were announced everyone was shocked to hear that we came a respectable 8th out of 27 teams!

FENLAND LEAGUE CROSS-COUNTRY, RACE 3 - Mr Ray, Director of PE & Sport

The final of the three Fenland League competitions for the season was completed last week in the sunny but cold Burghley Park - patches of snow were still evident at some points of the course. All 4 teams were in with the opportunity to win their competition, but without question the Junior Boys would have the most comfortable ride, already being some 70 points ahead of their nearest rivals. The Junior Girls needed a strong team performance, but with three of their stronger runners unavailable, it needed to be an all-round squad performance if they were to maintain the 24-point lead established from the previous 2 races.

The Year 9 & 10 Girls had an almost impossible task, needing to overcome a 40-point deficit if they were to catch The Deepings School. However, the Inter Boys arguably faced the closest of competitions for some time and were hoping to hold onto first place with just a 6-point lead over King's and Stamford.

The Junior Girls performed really well, led home by Erin Cox and followed by Tilly Manning, Lauren Stuart and Jess Mahoney. A good number of Year 7 students also played an





important role and finished strongly. The Junior Boys, as expected, ran superbly with 6 students in the top 10 places, dominating the race and extending their lead further. Hugo Brill led the team home in 2nd, Harry Hewitt in 3rd and Alex Galpin (5th) and Barnaby Sykes (7th) just behind. Zach Telliant and Will Craft also ran superbly, finishing strongly to secure their places in the top 10.

Flo Brill added further strength to the Intermediate Girls' Challenge. Maisie Brownlow and Holly Moore also finished well, but it was Fran Fenwick who finished with the quickest final 200 metres, giving it her all in a final sprint. The Intermediate Boys' competition was difficult to call as a number of schools appeared to fill the top 15 places. Sam Oakley was first home for Bourne with Max James close behind. However, it is probably down to the positions of Samuel Staines, Thomas Bodily and Jake Jungmann in particular, all in the top 20, that will decide the title.

When the results came through this week, it was clear that a highly successful cross-country season concluded with the School once again dominating the local region, beating the likes of Stamford School, Arthur Mellows, Spalding High School, The Deepings and a number of other local schools. Three of the four team awards were claimed by Bourne Grammar along with individual honours for numerous students. Well done to all who have taken part during the course of the year and particular congratulations to those who have gone on to represent South Lincs, Lincolnshire, and indeed reach National Finals as a team or individual, including those attending the National at Leeds this weekend.

Overall Results from the Fenland Cross-Country season

Junior Girls (Year 7 and 8)

Fenland Relay: Champions
Fenland League: Champions ('B' team, 5th; 'C' team 8th)
Top 10 individuals: 6th Tilly Manning (Year 8)
7th Erin Cox (Year 7)

Junior Boys (Year 7 and 8)

Fenland Relay: Champions
Fenland League: Champions ('B' team, 3rd; 'C' team 7th)
Top 10 individuals: 2nd Hugo Brill (Year 8)
4th Harry Hewitt (Year 8)
6th Barnaby Sykes (Year 8)

Inter Girls (Year 9 and 10)

Fenland Relay: Runner-up
Fenland League: Runner-up ('B' team, 6th)
Top 10 individuals: =7th Maisie Brownlow (Year 9)

Inter Boys (Year 9 and 10)

Fenland Relay: Champions
Fenland League: Champions ('B' team, 5th)
Top 10 individuals: 2nd Sam Oakley (Year 9)
6th Max James (Year 9)

FENLAND LEAGUE CROSS-COUNTRY RELAYS - Miss Bradley, PE

As one of the most exciting events in the Cross-Country calendar, the students were eagerly awaiting the Relays that took place in a very windy Crowland on Wednesday 14 March. As a team of four, students completed one 1500m lap of the field each in a relay-style race; this is a great spectacle to watch as the flat countryside allows spectators to witness many overtakes and be fully aware of how their teams are getting on. We knew we had strong runners and so felt quietly confident heading into the race.

The Junior race set off first with the Year 7 and 8 boys and girls running together, although they were completing separately. Hugo Brill completed a storming first lap to get our first team out ahead and this distance kept growing as Alex Galpin, Barnaby Sykes and Harry Hewitt sealed an impressive victory. After the first lap by Ben Simpson, our second team was in third place, only for Joe Garner to put in an outstanding shift to overtake Stamford and pull away into second place, with Zack Telliant and Will Craft completing the 1-2 for Bourne Grammar.

Meanwhile, the Junior Girls' first team also had a great start, led out by Erin Cox and raced with some of the top boys' teams which was excellent to see. They dominated the race, with every girl stretching the lead on their lap resulting in a comprehensive victory for Erin, Tilly Manning, Hannah Taylor and Aoife Glasswell.

As the Year 9 and 10 boys and girls lined up to start, the spectators were in an anticipative mood; as there were a number of strong runners across the District, the positioning of these individuals in the line-up could be crucial. The Intermediate Girls' team were missing a key member in Elin James, but Anita Wong stepped up brilliantly, overtaking Deeping in her leg after Beth Eagle-Brown and Maisie Brownlow had got them into a good position. Going into the final leg in third position, Flo Brill had a tough ask to gain a place but she ran incredibly well after a season plagued by injury and managed to make up the distance whilst also holding off a strong Stamford runner behind her to secure second place.

Meanwhile, Samuel Staines produced a commanding first lap to put the Inter Boys in serious contention in first position with Stamford close behind. The boys knew Stamford's best runners were to come and so it was important for Connor Ely to hold off the challenge in the second lap - he even increased the distance. This left Max James to compete with their best runner and this clearly motivated him as he ran an excellent lap, giving Sam Oakley a comfortable lead to defend.

All of the teams competing ran very well, working hard for each other and the depth in the squads are incredibly impressive. This event rounded off a very successful season for Bourne Grammar.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Spring Recital Showcase - Thursday 26 April

Spring Recital Showcase is a new musical event that gives some of the School's brightest and talented musicians the opportunity to perform as a soloist in a formal concert setting. It promises to be an evening of the highest quality, with music from composers such as Mozart, Chopin, Brahms and Debussy being performed by students across all year groups.

Tickets are available now via the School website or at www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/462222 - tickets are £7 for adults and £5 for concessions.



Grease - Wednesday 21 to Saturday 24 March

All performances of *Grease* are now sold out - those who would like to go on the waiting list for any available returns should email boxoffice@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk, stating their name, telephone contact details, number of tickets required and the preferred performance.

Those who wish to return a ticket(s) should email boxoffice@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk stating their name, the number of tickets to be returned and the performance date. A full refund will be given if we can sell the ticket(s) to someone on the waiting list.

ARTWORK

In Art this week, Year 10 students are coming to the end of their work on lino printing, where they have been exploring Natural Forms using the reduction method. Below are a few examples of the detailed prints they have produced.



Abbie-May Stubbs



Phoebe Mason



Arjun Andali

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Gymnastics Last weekend, Nicole Rollinson (Year 8) competed in the Northamptonshire County Championships for Rhythmic Gymnastics. She came first in the Junior section and became the Junior County Champion for the second year running.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Archie Falla	7	Mr Doherty	Mathematics
James Holland	7	Miss Atkinson	EPR
Zoe Husbands	7	Mr Maddox	Mathematics
Tobi Olatunde	7	Miss Pollard	Geography
Latifa Rashid	7	Miss Atkinson	EPR
Sebastien Croxall	8	Mr Murray	Geography
Daisy O'Rawe	8	Miss Smallshaw	Science
Rebekah Stockman	8	Miss Whittle	Geography
Marcus Williams	8	Miss Pepper	Geography
James Ferguson	9	Dr Hesslewood	Geography
Joseph Lund	9	Miss McDonnell	Mathematics
Abigail McCullough	9	Mr Murphy	Mathematics
Emily Scrafton	9	Mr Gatland	English
Olympia Sims	9	Mr Gatland	English
Trisha Subudhi	9	Mr Gatland	English
Finn McCullough	10	Mrs Elliker	English
Grace Payne	10	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Modupe Somoye	10	Mrs Mohan	PE
Victoria Goode	11	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Chloe Laird	11	Miss Walters	English
Harry Moore	11	Miss Doerpinghaus	German
Ethan Free	12	Mr Sheppard	Mathematics
Hubert Rzeminski	12	Mr Sheppard	Mathematics