

# BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

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From Mark Brunner, Headteacher

## In Memoriam – Alfie Scotney



*2 November 2006 – 27 April 2026*

It is with great sadness that we share the news of the death of former student Alfie Scotney, who tragically passed away following a car accident on Monday 27 April.

Alfie left Bourne Grammar School at the end of Year 11 in 2023, and many members of our School community will remember him fondly. He was a young man full of character: kind, generous, cheeky and warm-hearted. Alfie was someone who brought laughter and personality wherever he went.

Our thoughts are with Alfie's family, friends and everyone who knew and loved him as they come to terms with this heartbreaking loss.

As a School community, we remember Alfie with affection and gratitude for the memories he leaves behind. We hope those who knew him will continue to talk about him, laugh about the moments they shared with him, and remember the joy and happiness he brought to others.

With deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences,  
from everyone at Bourne Grammar School.

## Message from Headteacher

This week marked the end of timetabled lessons for our Year 11 and Year 13 students before they begin their GCSE and A-Level examinations, with Year 11 concluding lessons on Wednesday and Year 13 finishing today.

We have enjoyed a truly wonderful final few days with both year groups. Final assemblies for both Year 11 and Year 13 provided an opportunity to reflect on their journeys through the School, celebrate their achievements and wish them well for the challenges ahead. I spent much of break and lunchtime on Wednesday signing shirts, chatting with students and simply soaking up the fantastic atmosphere around the School. It was also genuinely moving to see the number of heartfelt cards, messages and gifts received by colleagues from students and families. Moments like these are a reminder of just how much the support and encouragement of staff can mean to young people over time.

Recognition must also go to the staff who took part in the football match with students on Wednesday afternoon, which created some particularly memorable moments and added to the fantastic atmosphere around the School. I have been specifically advised not to mention Mr Graves' goal-scoring exploits, largely because I suspect he has already done that himself several times over...

Thank you to all colleagues across the School for the care, support and dedication you have shown to our Year 11 and Year 13 students throughout their time at Bourne Grammar School. We wish all students the very best as examinations begin.



We are also delighted to celebrate the release of Volume 7 of *Bourne Identity* magazine, another truly outstanding publication and one which continues to showcase the enormous creativity, talent and individuality of our students.

Alongside the printed edition, we are pleased to share that a digital version of the magazine is available on the School website (please click [here](#)), allowing the wider school community to enjoy and celebrate this fantastic work.

What makes the magazine so special is that it is student-led and student-created. This latest edition features an impressive range of articles, artwork, opinion pieces and creative writing covering everything from fashion, media and AI to politics, culture and wider social issues. The professionalism, creativity and ambition throughout the publication are genuinely remarkable.

It has been particularly lovely to see this edition reflect not only the talents of the current editorial team, but also the journeys of former editors. Hearing what previous students are now doing beyond Bourne Grammar School, including studying subjects such as Computer Science and AI, Fashion Design, English Literature and Music at universities including Bath, Loughborough, Kingston and Sheffield, highlights the confidence, creativity and intellectual curiosity that projects like Bourne Identity help to develop.

Huge congratulations and thanks must go, in particular, to this year's student editors, Tegan Haw and Mayra Narang, for their outstanding leadership of the publication, along with the rest of the editorial team: Abby Guracha, Adelina Zagorodniuc, Brontë Wyvill, Calem Healy, Chloe Burgin, Emily O'Byrne, Hamsini Raja, Marco Perna and Sebastien Louzolo.

Ms Kemp's continued guidance and oversight, alongside the support of Mrs Clark, Mrs Welling and Mr Williamson, have played an important role in the continued success of the magazine. Producing a publication of this quality requires an enormous amount of commitment, creativity and teamwork, and everyone involved should be incredibly proud of what they have achieved.

## Bourne Grammar School Literacy Update: World Book Day Winner 2026

- Mr D Williamson-Ward, Literacy Coordinator

For World Book Day this year we asked students to submit a picture of them reading for pleasure in an unusual location – with parental consent. Our winner this year is William Lambie (7A) for this incredible shot of him reading whilst in his dad’s digger!

As part of the National Year of Reading, we’re encouraging all students to read for pleasure and a key foundation to this is thinking about where and when they have opportunities to read outside the classroom.

Here is William proudly showing off the image alongside his Amazon voucher. We were impressed not only by William’s commitment to this competition but to his own reading. Like so many of our students, barriers to reading can be found at every moment of the day and our aim is to reduce as many of those barriers as possible and make reading for pleasure enjoyable and accessible.

As well as this competition, students can use our reading room (E6) every lunchtime and of course our year 7 Reading Challenge is in full swing too.

Well done to each and every one of our students who takes part in any of these initiatives or simply maintains the habit of making time to read for pleasure.



## NLD Rugby Plate Final – Sunday 3 May 2026



Left to right: Charly Berry, Sammy Hullock, Barney Rogers, Harvey Weston, Harrison Gregory, Matthew Pitchford, Gus Dascanio, Jack Watson

On Sunday 3 May, a group of Bourne Grammar Year 8 boys proudly represented Stamford RUFC in the NLD (Notts, Lincs, Derbs) Rugby Plate Final.

Stamford got off to a strong start, scoring first, but Derby edged ahead during the middle of the match. Showing great determination and teamwork, Stamford battled back brilliantly with tries from Sammy Hullock and Harvey Weston.

Despite their fantastic effort, it wasn’t quite enough on the day, with the match finishing 20–25. A superb performance and a real credit to the whole team - well done, boys!

## DofE Year 10 – Bronze Training Weekend

Saturday 2 May – Sunday 3 May

Horbling & Billingborough

- Mrs R Brett

95 Bronze DofE students spent much of the Bank Holiday weekend consolidating their training and developing their practical skills to prepare them for the Qualifying Expedition in June.


Working in groups and making the most of the fabulous sunshine, all participants set up their individual camps, practiced first aid scenarios, learned about the Countryside Code, how to set up and cook on a Trangia and took part in team building exercises and games to help prepare them to lead and navigate a walk through the countryside effectively.

On Sunday the teams packed up their camps and walked approximately 15km to Kirkby Underwood with a supervisor who ensured all could read a map, take bearings and understand how to navigate the countryside safely and fulfil the DofE expedition requirements.

The teams were a pleasure to be with and despite the tight schedule, had a good amount of free time and enjoyed the experience. They demonstrated resilience and determination on the walk and are all now ready to take part in the final expedition in a few weeks.

Huge thanks are extended to the team of volunteers who gave up their time to help these students. Without them, this event would not be the success it is. Thank you.





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## Year 11 Intermediate Physics Challenge

- Ms S Sutherland, Physics



We had 28 students in Year 11 volunteer to take part in this challenge which is designed to really push the most able physics students across the country. It was pleasing to see a great turnout to the support sessions in the build up to the challenge; seeing our Year 11 students aiming to push themselves well beyond the boundaries of the national curriculum.

I do sincerely hope that many of these students enjoyed the challenge and decide to continue their study of physics beyond GCSE.

Congratulations to our Gold Award winner: **Miguel Valdez**. He ranked in the top 8% of all entrants to this competition nationally. An impressive achievement!

All the Year 11 students who took part should be very proud of themselves.

Why not see how you would fare by attempting the question below? It was from this year's paper and is worth one mark (out of a possible 50!).

### Results

Miguel	Valdez	Gold
Alf	Larter	Bronze 1
Aras	Tugluer	Bronze 1
Ben	Potter	Bronze 1
Daniel	He	Bronze 1
Hannah	Fernandez	Bronze 1
Niketh	Nambala	Bronze 1
William	Moor-Radford	Bronze 1
Zahra	Ravji	Bronze 1
Aaron	Sadler	Bronze 2
Aarya	Vijayasankar	Bronze 2
Aayan	Hanif	Bronze 2
Abolaji	Oluwasanmi	Bronze 2
Adeena	Sajid	Bronze 2
Ali	Abdallah	Bronze 2
Andreas	Halford	Bronze 2
Ayo	Karim	Bronze 2
Declan	Brewer	Bronze 2
Haad	Dad Azam	Bronze 2
Jiya	Sivakumar	Bronze 2
Lois	Cox	Bronze 2
Luca	Christoudias	Bronze 2
Michael	Sarfo	Bronze 2
Oran	Summers	Bronze 2
Toby	Udeaja	Bronze 2
William	Blades	Bronze 2
Zaid	Thalangara	Bronze 2
Charlie	Bedford	Commendation

A nautical mile is 1.85 km. A nautical mile is the distance travelled along the Earth's surface corresponding to 1 minute of latitude.

A minute (min) is a unit of **angle** where  $60 \text{ min} = 1^\circ$  i.e. walking North one nautical mile changes your latitude by 1 min.

Using this information, the radius of the Earth is calculated to be:

- A. 3180 km
- B. 6360 km
- C. 12 700 km
- D. 40 000 km

## **BBL Champions of the Week**

**- Mrs A Allen, Assistant Headteacher (Academic)**

### **BBL Champion – Maddie Keith (7A)**

I am particularly pleased about this week's BBL Champion as they are one of my own students! I would like to nominate Maddie Keith for the exceptional level of detail and commitment she shows in her English BBL work.

In their English BBL, students link ideas from wider reading texts to the base text we are studying in class. The wider reading can often be challenging, but Maddie consistently rises to this challenge. She goes into impressive detail, about what she has taken from each text, carefully explaining the ideas she has noticed and how they are comparable with the text we are studying in lessons. Maddie often uses every space available to her on the page and goes far beyond what is expected of her. Through this thoughtful approach, Maddie is developing a strong understanding of context, opinions and ideas surrounding a text. Her work shows real curiosity and a genuine interest in exploring literature more deeply and she has shown this same level of dedication consistently throughout the year across a variety of different texts.

Well done, Maddie, and thank you for setting such a fantastic example of what excellent BBL looks like!



## **Year 12 Progress Review Meetings (PRM): Thursday 14 May 2026**

**- Mrs R Hall**





Our PRM evenings are an opportunity to have a virtual meeting with subject teachers to discuss your child's progress using our online *SchoolCloud* platform.

Year 12 parents can book multiple 6-minute appointments on a first-come, first-served basis by clicking on this link [PRM booking](#).

The *SchoolCloud* booking system is currently live and will remain open until **Monday 11 May at 23:55**.

If you have any queries about online booking or the PRM process, please email Mrs Hall via [prm@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:prm@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk) for assistance.

## House Totals

			
<b>7072</b>	<b>6823</b>	<b>6282</b>	<b>6704</b>

***These totals show all House Points earned minus Behaviour Points.  
It includes points from all students in each house for Term 5 up to 07/05/2026.***

<b>Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Staff</b>	<b>Subject</b>
Muadh Asad	7	Learner of the Week	Miss Davis-Williams	EPR
Felix Beesley	7	Person of the Week	Mrs Pignatiello	Pastoral
Hettie Cheng	7	Learner of the Week	Mrs Charters	Spanish
James Evans	7	Learner of the Week	Mr Bainbridge	History
Isaac Fay	7	Learner of the Week	Mrs Allen	English
Tallulah Fincham	7	Learner of the Week	Mrs Allen	English
Emily Greenfield	7	Person of the Week	Mr Khumalo	Pastoral
Nancy Jones	7	Learner of the Week	Mrs Allen	English
Laura Kay	7	Learner of the Week	Mrs Allen	English
Maddie Keith	7	Learner of the Week	Mrs Allen	English
Henry Lakin	7	Learner of the Week	Mrs Allen	English
Jay Mistry	7	Learner of the Week	Miss Davis-Williams	EPR
Henry Moss	7	Learner of the Week	Miss Davis-Williams	EPR
Penny Norton	7	Person of the Week	Mr Khumalo	Pastoral
Mia Pignatiello	7	Learner of the Week	Mr Bainbridge	History
Sophia Richmond	7	Learner of the Week	Mrs Charters	Spanish
Megan Scarborough	7	Person of the Week	Mrs Pignatiello	Pastoral
Thomas Smith	7	Learner of the Week	Mrs Goultidou	EPR
Yashi Sutrave	7	Learner of the Week	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Freddie Sutton	7	Learner of the Week	Mrs Lattimer	Mathematics
Ellison Trawford	7	Person of the Week	Mrs Holbrook	Pastoral
Jessie Walton	7	Learner of the Week	Mr Khumalo	Science
Rikil Chanda	8	Learner of the Week	Ms Jasinska	Spanish
Florence Cooper	8	Learner of the Week	Miss Mears	English/Drama
Bethan Drewett	8	Learner of the Week	Mrs Greenfield	Geography
Ellie Fryer	8	Person of the Week	Miss Roberts	Pastoral
Krishna Koirala	8	Learner of the Week	Mrs Greenfield	Geography
Krishna Koirala	8	Learner of the Week	Miss Hodge	History
Elizabeth Lawrence	8	Person of the Week	Miss Roberts	Pastoral
Ronan Summers	8	Person of the Week	Mrs Charters	Pastoral
Jonathan Ulyatt	8	Person of the Week	Mrs Charters	Pastoral
Joshua Varghese	8	Learner of the Week	Miss Hodge	History
Haasika Vishnuprabhu	8	Learner of the Week	Mr Willis	Science
Samaira Bajaj	9	Learner of the Week	Mr Willis	Physics
Lucas Huang	9	Learner of the Week	Mrs Goultidou	EPR
Harshil Varin Kadire	9	Learner of the Week	Mr Khumalo	Chemistry
Dylan Kennard	9	Learner of the Week	Miss McCarthy	Spanish

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Juliette King	9	Person of the Week	Mr Khumalo	Pastoral
Krithik Mohan	9	Learner of the Week	Miss McCarthy	Spanish
Zina Nwamarah	9	Learner of the Week	Mr Moxley	Drama
Zina Nwamarah	9	Learner of the Week	Mr Willis	Physics
George Payton	9	Learner of the Week	Mrs Goultidou	EPR
Riya Trivedi	9	Person of the Week	Mrs Goultidou	Pastoral
Immie Turner	9	Learner of the Week	Mrs Charters	Spanish
Harry Caruso	10	Person of the Week	Mrs Greenfield	Pastoral
Yousuf Elbeksaoui	10	Person of the Week	Mrs Evans	Pastoral
Lewis Fryer	10	Learner of the Week	Mr Elliott	PE
Amelia Giblin	10	Learner of the Week	Ms Ordonez	Spanish
Charlotte-May Houghton	10	Person of the Week	Mrs Greenfield	Pastoral
Bri O'Boyle	10	Learner of the Week	Ms Kemp	English
Alix Smith	10	Person of the Week	Mrs Greenfield	Pastoral
Lucy Ward	10	Person of the Week	Mr Elliott	Pastoral
Rhys Bekteshi	11	Learner of the Week	Mr Dougall	Design Engineering
Noah Gledhill	11	Person of the Week	Mr Dougall	Pastoral
Joshi Harriss	11	Learner of the Week	Dr Pritchard-Murphy	Mathematics
Sophie Gombault	12	Learner of the Week	Dr Hobbiss	Psychology
Leia Ng	12	Learner of the Week	Dr Hobbiss	Psychology
Jelita Thomas	12	Learner of the Week	Miss McAleese	Psychology
Jessie Dolby	12	Learner of the Week	Miss McAleese	Psychology
Emily Fosbeary	13	Learner of the Week	Dr Hobbiss	Psychology

## Year 10 Summer League – Miss C Bradley, Head of Year 10

Another great week for the Year 10s – keep up the good work everyone!

### Week 2 Weekly Winners

Congratulations to our Week 2 weekly winners! A particular well done to Amelia Stephens for taking back-to-back wins!

League 1 – Amelia Stephens

League 2 – Georgia Summerfield

League 3 – Harry Baker

League 4 – Oli Parrott

League 5 – Robin Gove

League 6 – Carys Collingridge

League 7 – Vlad Harlap-Valters

League 8 – Finn Murphy

League 9 – Tyler Bates

League 10 – Hamish Wood & Emily Bridges

League 11 – Aakash Ranjith

League 12 – Will Towers-Fitzpatrick