

BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

Week ending Friday 25 November 2022

From Alastair Anderson, Headteacher

On Friday of last week, the School held Speech Night for the 2021/22 cohort. My thanks to Mrs Spriggs, Mrs Lawrence, Mr McLure, Mr Spanswick and Mr Childs for organising and delivering so impressively and also to Mr Tomlinson and Mr Jones for the excellence of the music performed on the evening. It was a wonderful event: a blend of the formal (with elements of pageantry) and the informal in the wonderful local setting of Bourne Abbey Church. Celebrating success is one of the highlights of being a teacher and with so many ex-students returning to receive prizes alongside current Sixth Form students it was a context that clearly excited the community. My thanks to Mayor Kelly for attending and to the many members of our Governing Body who were also present. My thanks also to Father Atkinson for the use of the church and his ongoing support of the event.



Elsewhere, it was the week of the Great Grammar Bake Off with a huge number of competitors and mountains of cake! A more detailed student report follows later in this edition though I would like to congratulate the Head Students, supported by Ms Creedon, for all they did to deliver on such an ambitious project. Fabulous – and well done.

And well done also to Mrs Ansell, our Catering Manager, who was visited by an Environmental Health Officer for a zero-notice inspection 7 days ago.

The Catering Team and the physical environment within the kitchens was given a 5* rating by the visiting officer. We are all very grateful for the commitment shown to the school by Mrs Ansell and her team and it is great to see their dedication rewarded in this way. Very well done indeed.”



THE GREAT GRAMMAR BAKE OFF - Report by Kareish Rajkanna on behalf of the Year 13 Outreach and Activities Committee

Following the reveal that “Don’t Lose Hope” had been chosen by the students as our School charity for the year, plans for the first fundraiser event were underway. The Outreach and Activities Senior Prefect Committee worked with the Head Students and Ms Creedon in order to plan the perfect event that encapsulated the growing festive atmosphere of late November and the creativity and skill of students in all year groups – a Bourne Grammar Bake Off!

Although, having only two weeks to organise the event, the committee managed to promote the Bake Off widely in School with over 100 students showing interest in taking part, as well as holding several meetings to organise the logistics for the day so that the event could run as smoothly as possible. All this hard work and organisation paid off and the day itself was a huge success!

On the morning of Wednesday 23 November, around 40 different cakes and baked treats, all made by students, flooded the Main Hall. These included a wide selection of cakes, cookies, brownies, cupcakes and even pastry turnovers which all incorporated the competition’s theme of ‘Winter’ in the most innovative ways. We were astonished by the quality of all the treats that were brought in, both in appearance and taste.



After the top eighteen entries were chosen based on appearance and relation to the theme, judging took place in the middle of the day by Mrs Ford, Ms Creedon, Mrs Ansell (known to students as Lorraine – Head Chef from the Chill) and representatives of the Head Students and Senior Prefects. Many insightful opinions were bounced back and forth among the expert judges and each entry was scored in four different categories – presentation, link to theme, taste and texture. In the end, after much deliberation and quite frankly sugar overload, the top three cakes were chosen:

First place was taken by Jessy Sayer in 9D and her chocolate cake with black cherry jam. Some of the winning qualities determined by the judges were the superb flavour combinations and the impressive technical detail with the piping and white chocolate decorations, paired with the delicious icing.



Second place was awarded to Emily Simmons in 7C who baked a white chocolate and raspberry cake, which was incredibly creative in incorporating the theme into the bake, even having edible little figurines on a snowy polar cake-scape!



Third place was given to Catie Dawson in 12I who brought in a Danish spice cake. The decoration and taste were both brilliant with one judge saying that it was like “eating a slice of Christmas.”

This was, however, an incredibly difficult decision to make as all of the entries were absolutely fantastic and the scoring of the top six bakes was extremely close.



During lunchtime, the doors to the bake sale were officially open; this led to a cascade of students and staff who were all eager to try the wide array of baked good up for sale. This was all managed in an extremely effective one-way system which made the event as organised as possible. The Christmas songs playing in the background helped add to the bustling and joyful atmosphere in the hall, creating a very memorable afternoon. Almost all the cakes had sold out completely by the end of lunch thanks to the efforts of everyone involved and the generosity (and hunger!) of the students - a truly impressive feat.

At the end, £240.00 was raised, an outstanding BGS communal effort! All the money made will be donated to “Don’t Lose Hope” and we hope that it may help many people in the community who are struggling with their mental health.

We would finally like to thank all of the staff, Head Students and Senior Prefects involved as well as Ms Creedon for organising the event in such a short time period.

We are also extremely grateful for all those who entered this Great Grammar Bake Off, as well as those who bought cake and donated their money to charity.

To those who unfortunately did not have a chance to enter the competition this time round, the Outreach and Activities Committee would like to assure you that we will be planning the return of the Great Grammar Bake Off... watch this space!



INTERNATIONAL SPORTS LAWYER PAYS A VISIT TO BGS – *Report by Mr Mitchell, Law*

BGS A-level Law students had an exciting day last Tuesday when Dev Parmar, Principal Director of Parmars Sports Law firm (<https://www.parmars-sports.com/>) and Global Executive Director of 'International Sports Law' Masters degrees at the world-renowned *Instituto Superior de Derecho y Economía* (ISDE) in Madrid, visited the school to discuss his experiences. Mr Mitchell taught A-level Law to Dev back in 2000 at Kingsbury High School in North West London, and Dev freely gave up his day to support Mr Mitchell's BGS classes twenty years on.

Dev gave a fascinating talk on the importance of defining the word "sport", and the relationship of sport to the law, including an "in a nutshell" summary of the regulatory framework for international legal disputes. He drew attention to the current uncertainty over esports – a billion-dollar industry without a regulatory direction or recognition as a sport. He closed each of the four sessions with a topical case study about a Premiership football player at odds with his club by looking at the standard contractual definition of "gross misconduct" in English law and broader conceptions of "just cause" for terminating a contract in international law.



The students learned a great deal in each session, not only about the nature of sports law but also the jurisdictional problems in settling disputes relating to football. They were enthused by the experience and I received some appreciative student feedback to pass on to Dev.

On a personal note, it is incredibly rewarding to see a former student twenty years beyond the school classroom as a very confident and highly successful practitioner, and I could see many of the students thinking, "where will I be in 20 years' time?". It was an interesting, inspiring and valuable school day for the students. A huge thank you to Dev, and to Mrs Hill, Mrs Ansell and her team (Dev loved the food in The Chill), and everybody who played a part in making this visit a reality.

YEAR 11 ELITE ELEVEN TOURNAMENT – *Report by Madison Mylchreest, Year 11*

On Thursday 24 November eleven Year 11's accompanied by Mr Bower's, participated in the Elite Eleven tournament at Boston College. The tournament tested a range of skills from memory tests, to netball shooting, as well as the teams' individual fitness and physical ability, including an agility run and a series of press-ups and sit-ups. With high expectations due to the previous 4 years of the trophy returning to Bourne Grammar, we attempted all activities with much success.

To begin the day a collective warm-up was held between all 12 schools who attended, which was closely followed by the series of activities. Football targets were first, with the majority of the boys in the team being in the football team, allowing an initial lead being made. The agility run was completed after this, with many beating the previous times that our competitors had set, we had our first team activity, through deduction, teamwork and persistence we managed to complete that activity in the fastest time yet!



Once all the activities had been completed we gathered with all the other schools to listen to an inspirational speech by a local athlete who spoke about how he made it to where he is today as well as his aspirations. Following this the results were announced. With 3rd and 2nd place being tight in points with 106 and 108, we waited nervously to see whether we had made it 5 in a row or if we had failed to make the podium. Mr Bowers, who was more anxious than any of the team, could barely wait for the result to be

announced but relief soon replaced that with 1st place being awarded to us with 120 points. With our water bottles, trophy and day out to Go Ape! We were all extremely happy.



Overall everyone had a great day out and we'd like to thank Boston College again for providing us with such an entertaining day, while testing our skills and fitness.

SHOEBOX AND FOODBANK DONATIONS – House Leaders

The House Leaders – supported by the Sixth Form Outreach Committee – would like to invite any and all students and their families to make a voluntary donation to Bourne Food Bank and The Evergreen Care Trust.



We hope our students will contribute as generously as they have in the past, choosing to remember the challenges faced by others, even when it is so easy to focus on our own. Our commitment to the wider community is an important focus of School life, of which we can be very proud.

Thank you in advance for generosity.



BGS Shoebox Donations

Deadline: Monday 5th December
Drop off point: MFL7



Fill a shoe box with a selection of the following:

- Tinned foods
- Bath and Shower products
- Tea/coffee/hot chocolate
- A treat that will make someone smile (could be edible or non-edible)
- A homemade gift
- A personal message wishing someone a 'Merry Christmas'


Please do not put any medicine (e.g., paracetamol) or alcohol in your box.

There is no individual limit – you could fill more than one box!

IMPORTANT! Do not seal/tape your box closed. Make sure it can be opened – an elastic band to keep it shut is perfect


Once you have filled your box you could decorate it to make it look festive

- State if it is for a man/woman/unisex
- Grab a BGS sticker from MFL 7 to go on the top



Donate to

Collection: Friday 9th December
Drop off point: Main student entrance gate




Urgently Required

Baked Beans
Tinned Soup
Tinned Fish
UHT Milk
Tinned fruit
Tinned ham
Tinned pies
Tinned custard
Jam and marmalade
Fruit juice or squash
Tinned vegetables
Shampoo
washing up liquid
laundry washing liquid or powder
soap or liquid handwash

Specific Items requested:

- UHT milk
- Coffee
- Jams/Marmalades/Spreads (sweet and savoury)
- Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Meat
- Toiletries – deodorant, washing up liquid, men's shaving gel, washing detergent, shower gel
- Christmas foods – mince pies, Christmas puddings, Christmas biscuits, selection boxes, chocolate and sweets, cakes





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Scan the QR code or [click here](#)
to book your tickets

Junction Dance Showcase

Tuesday 29 November – 7:00pm

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Akshath Nambala (Year 13) passed grade 8 Rockschool Guitar with merit.

Kris Rushworth (Year 10) passed grade 5 piano with merit.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Patrick Adejuwon	7	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Anoushka Bartram	7	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Rory Connell	7	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Anya Copestake	7	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Jess Glenn-Sansum	7	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Rowanne Gray	7	Mr Farrow	Design Engineering
Ria Gupta	7	Mrs Greenfield	Geography
Zac Holmes	7	Mrs Baverstock	Spanish
Lucy Ward	7	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Florence Wrigley	7	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Ewan Atkins	7	Mr Roche	Mathematics
Rebecca Board	7	Mr Farrow	Design Engineering
Otto Forkin	7	Miss Turton	Drama
Amelia Giblin	7	Miss Pritchard	English
Edward Mylchreest	7	Mr Bainbridge	History
Oliver Nicol	7	Miss Patman	Spanish
Sophie Robinson	7	Mr Moxley	Drama
Hamish Wood	7	Mrs Ford	Pastoral
Lucy Lord	7	Mrs Allen	English
Aryaman Andali	8	Mr Hewitt	German
Joe Barnes	8	Miss Segarra Ginés	Spanish
Grace Cullen	8	Miss Smallshaw	Pastoral
Harry Maxey	8	Mr Moxley	Drama
Jack Rodway	8	Mrs Cowell	French
Jiya Sivakumar	8	Mr Moxley	Drama
Jiya Sivakumar	8	Miss Atkinson	EPR
James Dunk	8	Mr Williamson	Art
Faith Harwood	8	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Aryaman Andali	8	Mr Dougall	Design Engineering
Grace Cullen	8	Mrs Jones	Pastoral
Evie Heames	8	Miss Constable	Pastoral
Adam Jaffer	8	Miss Capper	History
Zahra Ravji	8	Mr Moxley	Drama
Priyanka Sutrave	8	Mr Hewitt	German
Samhita Thiagarajan Arun Prasath	8	Mrs Cowell	French
Sohjun Champion	9	Mr Clark	Computer Science
Alice Chauvaux	9	Mrs Clark	Spanish
Joshua Kilgallen	9	Ms Jasinska	Spanish
Aryan Odedra	9	Mrs Edwards	English
Yuvi Ranaut	9	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Alex Watson	9	Miss Patman	Spanish
Kaja Zrubkova	9	Mrs Ford	Pastoral
Charles Kavati	9	Mr Delport	Design Engineering
Marco Perna	9	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Petra Szoboszlai-Kendrick	9	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Isobel Walker	9	Mrs Allen	English
Munachukwuso Anike	9	Mrs Allen	English
Abbie Dudley	10	Mrs Bolitho	English
William Lau	10	Mrs Greenfield	Geography
Atte Maaranen	10	Mrs Lattimer	Statistics
Ubaid Majeed	10	Mrs Greenfield	Geography
Mayra Narang	10	Mrs Ford	Pastoral
Fletcher Wilkinson	10	Mrs Ford	Pastoral
Mae Cole	10	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Emily Fosbeary	10	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Owen Higgins	10	Mr Williamson-Ward	English

Aleena John	10	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Lily Martin	10	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Sophie Simpson	10	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Nicholas Bridges	10	Miss Patman	Spanish
Kieran Farrell	10	Miss Raebel	German
Connor Gibson	10	Ms Jones	English
Jed Longden	10	Mrs Welling	Art
Mayra Narang	10	Mrs Clark	Spanish
Chiara Pacitti	10	Mrs Bolitho	English
Charlie Sherwin	10	Mrs Welling	Art
Gabriella Udeaja	10	Mr Mitchell	Chemistry
Kashvi Woosa	10	Mrs Bolitho	English
Matt Stafford	10	Mrs Allen	English
Martha Dangerfield	12	Mr Mitchell	Law
Maddy Gamble	12	Mrs Bolitho	English Literature
Leia Richards	12	Mr Hartley	Economics
Courtney Dzingeni	12	Mr Williamson	Media Studies
Marie Cranch	12	Miss McAleese	Psychology
Nieve Goodliffe	12	Ms Kemp	English Literature
Kaitlyn Hallas	12	Mr Tomlinson	Music
Zoe Olverson	12	Mr Jones	Business Studies
Megan-Jayne Thompson-Collins	12	Mr Williamson	Media Studies
Clara Town	12	Mr Williamson	Media Studies
Madelyn Ward	12	Miss McAleese	Registration
Erin Brown	13	Miss Sanders	Sociology
Morgan Harris	13	Mr Brown	Computer Science
Zsazsa Osei-Gyamfi	13	Miss Sanders	Sociology
Pravash Jung Thapa	13	Mrs Shales	Mathematics
Phoebe Bardwell	13	Miss Sanders	Sociology
Kaavya Guhan	13	Miss McAleese	Psychology
Morgan Harris	13	Dr Barmby	History
Sophie Jordan	13	Ms Creedon	Spanish
Akshath Nambala	13	Miss Mizen	Biology
Milly Ramm	13	Ms Creedon	Spanish

