



# BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

*Week ending Friday 24 March 2023*  
*From Alastair Anderson, Headteacher*

This week has been all about the Musical *We Will Rock You*...and what a fabulous show our students have put on for us! On Monday, Year 6 from Bourne Westfield came to watch the Dress Rehearsal and left the building buzzing with excitement, such was the quality of the music and the overall dramatic performance. The first night on Wednesday went without a hitch, and the cast and crew have thrown themselves headlong into delivering a polished, live musical extravaganza, 26 songs in total played, sung and choreographed.

There will be photographs and a further write up when the run is at an end (the final show is on Saturday evening) but at this mid-point I want to commend all the performers for their efforts, thank the team of staff who have led and facilitated the project and congratulate everyone on the excellence of what has been created. School shows vary enormously in quality, sometimes boosted by the use of professional performers or enhanced by hired costumes or pre built and rented sets. Not so with this show: it is performed entirely by students (minus one keyboard for the Musical Director), has been produced on a minimal budget and the cast list covers the full age range ensuring a fully inclusive opportunity. We are grateful to Steve Jones for sorting out the soundstage for the singers and managing the required AV technology but otherwise it is a home grown production and we should be delighted at the accuracy and energy that runs through every one of those 26 songs. We must also celebrate the fact that over 100 students have joined the team whether they be singers, players, technicians, backstage crew, front of house support, helping with refreshments or any one of the large number of roles that need to be filled to make a production work. We are immensely proud of them all.

With three performances to go – good luck to all involved and I know with absolute certainty that friendships and memories are being cemented. A value cannot be placed on an experience like this.



## YEAR 11 REVISION SESSIONS

Please find below, this week's Year 11 revision sessions. Year 11 students can choose the session of most use to themselves and simply turn up at the time and venue stated. No booking is required.

	<b>Monday 27 March</b>	<b>Tuesday 28 March</b>	<b>Wednesday 29 March</b>	<b>Thursday 30 March</b>
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Geography</b>	<b>Design Engineering</b>	<b>English</b>	<b>Music</b>
<b>Room</b>	G3	DE1 & DE2	E1 & E8	MU1
<b>Revision Topic</b>	Small scale polar sustainable management: Whaling, Clyde River Marine Wildlife Sanctuary, Arctic Canada Global sustainable management polar: Antarctic Treaty	Coursework/NEA Catch-up	Literature: Jekyll & Hyde: how to plan and write a successful general essay response A Christmas Carol: successful analysis in the extract task	Coursework Catch-up and Set Work Musical Elements
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Drama</b>	<b>Spanish (Set 3)</b>	<b>Computer Science</b>	<b>Art</b>
<b>Room</b>	Drama Studio	MFL8	CS2	A2
<b>Revision Topic</b>	Written Paper Component 1 Blood Brothers	Full Mock Speaking	Open Session – Bring a topic you want to revise	External Exam “Lock”
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Spanish (Set 1 &amp; 2)</b>	<b>French</b>	<b>EPR</b>	<b>Physical Education</b>
<b>Room</b>	MFL1 & MFL2	MFL3	EPR1	PE1
<b>Revision Topic</b>	Full Mock Speaking	General conversation practice	It is better to believe salvation comes through grace	Paper 1
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Spanish (Set 4 &amp; 5)</b>			
<b>Room</b>	MFL9			
<b>Revision Topic</b>	Full Mock Speaking			

## YEAR 7 NETBALL TEAM BECOME DISTRICT CHAMPIONS – *Report by Ms Bradley, PE*

On Thursday 16 March, the Year 7 netball team set off to Spalding High School to attend their first ever District Tournament. We arrived with cautiously hopeful expectations as the girls had done brilliantly against the league opposition so far however, we were unsure what the teams from the North of the district would be like.

Able led by Lucy Lord, they warmed up well and were well prepared and motivated for the matches ahead. They were aware that tournament netball is fast-paced and they would need to come out of the blocks quickly. They rose to the challenge and cruised to a 4-0 lead against Giles in their first match, coming away 6-0 victors at the end. This then followed with another 6-0 victory against Spalding High School, where the girls played some really lovely, expansive netball. Our shooters Darcie Trawford, Bea Amos and Imogen Southwood were excellent under the posts, with a special mention to Imogen who typically plays WA for the school. Following this, we continued to build on our good play beating Thomas Cowley 7-0.

In the 4<sup>th</sup> game, Boston High really pushed the girls and had quite a height advantage. This did not perturb the girls with Bri O'Boyle putting a fantastic defensive performance in at Wing Defence to keep them at bay, going into half-time 3-1 up. Flossie Swift and Amelia Giblin worked very well together in the defensive circle, nullifying any attacking opportunities for BHS, allowing us to come away 5-1 winners.

This left the Year 7s with the task of beating local rivals, Bourne Academy, to win the tournament. The students always love this derby and the girls were really pumped up for it! It was a very closely fought game, with both teams playing good competitive netball. Emily Wright-Lakin and Lucy Lord set the tone with excellent work rates that meant we could turnover the ball frequently. This led us to win by 1 goal (3-2) in a tense finish that meant we were crowned District Champions! Well done to the netball team on an excellent season and here's to building on that success next year.



### **SOUTH LINCOLNSHIRE SCHOOLS SUPERZONE U13 GIRLS FUTSAL – Report by Mr Ray, PE**

The Under 13 team claimed the title this Wednesday with a comprehensive performance throughout the tournament. The six schools in attendance had an excellent afternoon of football in Boston and the seven strong squad from Bourne Grammar went through the tournament winning all five games.

The first game against hosts Haven High started well, with no goals in the first part of the 10-minute game. Once the deadlock was broken, the girls went on to win with a 3-0 victory. The second game against Spalding High would prove to be the most challenging but the 1-0 victory saw Brooke Olivares-Alvarez keep a second clean sheet with some excellent saves through the game. In their third game against Kirton Middlecott, a slow start eventually opened into a 2-0 lead with Harper Graham controlling midfield and some great footwork and passing from Neve Brackenbury produced a 3-1 win.

The most dominant display against Spalding Academy allowed an increasingly confident team to play faster, attacking football; a delight to watch. Flossie Swift (Year 7) converted probably the best team goal of the day as a result of their flowing passing and movement, sweeping the ball into the corner during this game. At 3-0 we were required to remove one player as per the rules of the day and then at 4-0 a second player was removed, so playing 5 against 3. Honor Moore and Lucy Preston did a superb job for the second half of the game, working hard (despite being so outnumbered) to retain this score-line to the end of the game.

Bourne Academy would be the final opposition in the tournament and the 3-1 victory was secured with another strong performance from Izzy Hughes at the back who was able to stifle so many attacks throughout the five games. The 100% win rate was attained with five impressive wins and seven happy players returning to School at the end of the day. Well done to all the girls on their performances, attitude and approach throughout.



**ESAA CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS – NATIONAL FINALS WOLLATON PARK, NOTTINGHAM - SATURDAY 18 MARCH – Report by Mr Ray, PE**

Last weekend saw the culmination of the cross country season as athletes from across the country descended on Wollaton Park in Nottingham. With almost 50 counties from across the United Kingdom, the event has become increasingly prevalent in the cross country calendar and now sees it streamed live on YouTube, with previous winners including the likes of Mo Farah. This year, once again, the Lincolnshire team consisted of a number of Bourne Grammar athletes across the 6 age groups, with selection for the team of eight (in each age group) being a process that began back in October.

Congratulations should go to all students who have competed during the cross country season and in particular to those who made the Final. They were:

- Junior Girls (Yrs 8&9)
- Intermediate Girls (Yrs 10 & 11)
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- Senior Girls (Yrs 12&13)

- Leah Graham (Yr 8) – 327<sup>th</sup>
- Yvette Annis (Yr 10) – 178<sup>th</sup>
- Faith Perkins (Yr 10) – 311<sup>th</sup>
- Thomas Preston (Yr 11) – 175<sup>th</sup>
- Erin Cox (Yr 12) – 159<sup>th</sup>

Senior Boys (Yrs 12&13)

Harry Hewitt (Yr 13) – 54<sup>th</sup>

Seb Beedell (Yr 12) – 74<sup>th</sup>

A special mention must go to Harry Hewitt who has been an exceptional ambassador for Bourne Grammar School cross country over the years. He has made such progress over his time at the School, establishing himself as a role model in the sport here at BGS and exceptional athlete. We wish him well for the forthcoming athletics season and for the future. Well done Harry!

### **TURKEY-SYRIA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL – Report by Max Garthwaite and Alice Dossett, Head Students**

Over the past couple of weeks, we have been running a raffle in order to raise money for the Turkey-Syria earthquake disaster. We are beyond grateful to everyone who has taken part, including those who donated and bought raffle tickets. We hope our 43 winners were happy with their prizes!



After having visited all form rooms while selling the raffle tickets, we have been lucky enough to experience the generosity of students and staff first hand – including some extremely charitable individuals to whom we are very grateful for their donations. In total, we sold nearly 2,500 tickets and raised an incredible **£730!** This will enable the Disasters Emergency Committee to provide emergency food aid and shelter for over 30 families who have been affected by the recent earthquakes.



Once again, BGS events like this display our community's overwhelming selflessness to give back to others in need, far and wide, this time with BGS going international! A special thank you to Ms

Creedon and the Head Student team for making this all possible.

As we move to the end this term, we are delighted to be holding more events for students to get involved with and look forward to Culture Week next week.



### **THE BRITISH PHYSICS OLYMPIAD – Report by Mr Sutherland, Physics**

Each year The British Physics Olympiad runs several competitions designed to stretch and challenge the most able Physicists in the country. This year our high-flying Year 11s were given the opportunity to enter the Intermediate Physics Challenge. We had 36 students who decided to take up the challenge and put

their problem-solving skills to the test. They were against 20 to 30 thousand students internationally; all of whom are considered to be very able.

I think every student who entered this challenge should be proud. The challenge is not designed to be accessible to all, and the students run a real risk of having their confidence knocked. There is a real possibility when entering these challenges that students could be faced with problems that they do not know how to solve, or even how to get started! The level of the challenge is well beyond the level expected nationally of students of this age. The majority of students entering the challenge are used to comfortably scoring well in most assessments they've ever taken – so they were in for a bit of a shock!

All students that sat the one-hour challenge paper found it difficult, as is to be expected. Students were expected to calculate power generated by Gravity Batteries, accounting for the maximum tensile stress of cables used to lift masses. They were expected to calculate the orbital radius of Venus using Kepler's Third Law of planetary motion, and then use data from the transition of Venus across the face of the Sun to calculate its orbital speed; replicating some of the work conducted by Edmund Halley in the 17<sup>th</sup> Century. They did persevere and gave it their best shot. I'm delighted with the outcomes and I think they should be too.

As you can see from the results below all students earned at least a commendation, with the majority making it into the Bronze Certificate level. The two students who earned Silver Certificates were in the top 26% of all entrants. Four of our competitors managed to earn the top level Gold Certificate which placed them in the top 10% of all candidates. An exceptional achievement!

Another well done to all. The Physics Department hope that these entrants choose to continue the subject beyond their GCSEs in Summer.

Sai Kandikattu	Gold	Luke Jones	Bronze
Amy Fletcher	Gold	Raj Sisodia	Bronze
Caleb Yates	Gold	Jack Carson	Bronze
Zachary Jones	Gold	Arogya Silwal	Bronze
Sam Gupta	Silver	Grace Butler	Bronze
Maddy Partridge	Silver	Abira Suyaraj	Bronze
Shaan Damani	Bronze	Eva Larter	Bronze
Shreyan Pankhania	Bronze	James Banstola	Bronze
Andrew Pepper	Bronze	Elizabeth Byrne	Bronze
Tristan Ng	Bronze	Thomas Preston	Bronze
Zara Wildsmith	Bronze	Atiksh Agnihotri	Bronze
Billy Gallagher	Bronze	Manasa Gigi	Bronze
Vivienne Chen	Bronze	Madison Mylchreest	Bronze
Harrie Metcalfe	Bronze	Miqdaad Mawani	Bronze
Imogen Leaton	Bronze	Millie Daines	Bronze
Lily Rundle	Bronze	Fin Bartrop	Bronze
Aarnav Bajaj	Bronze	Anica Andali	Commendation

## **DELAINE BUSES: LOST PROPERTY**

Delaine Buses have expressed concerns for the safety of anyone accessing their offices outside of the official opening times due to the number and frequency of buses arriving and leaving their premises. Lost property held by Delaine Buses can only be collected during their opening hours of 09:00-16:30.

## **A LEVEL DRAMA & THEATRE TRIP - GUYS AND DOLLS – Report by Mrs Pignatiello & Mr Moxley**

Last Thursday, we took 15 A-Level Drama and Theatre students to see the 5\* 'hottest ticket in London' (Guardian Stage review) *Guys and Dolls* at The Bridge Theatre in London.

The performance was staged in-the-round and we were part of an immersed audience, standing and moving amongst the cast and the set, which rose and fell on individual staging blocks. For the students

this was a new experience, to be so involved in the production and allowed such close proximity to performers.

The show was an exceptionally polished combination of acting, singing and dancing, and has given our students an opportunity to write about performance, set design, costume design and lighting design. We look forward to reading some sophisticated live theatre responses on what they described as 'the best theatre they've ever seen!'



### INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Olivia Skinner (Year 12) has been selected, through a rigorous selection process of interview, exam, simulator tests and leadership team tasks by the RAF for the Air Cadets Pilot Scheme Scholarship. This will provide her with 2 weeks intensive flying and ground instruction towards her Private Pilot's Licence. A fantastic achievement that we wish her well with.



### HOUSE TOTALS

			
<b>33668</b>	<b>31964</b>	<b>31817</b>	<b>29611</b>

***These totals show all House Points earned minus Behaviour Points. It includes points from all students in each house up to 22/3/2023.***

# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Max Addy	7	Mrs Allen	English
Aanjishnu Bhattacharyya	7	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Charlie Biggs	7	Mr Delpont	Design Engineering
Ben Fletcher	7	Mr Roche	Mathematics
Toby Haylock-Cox	7	Mr Dougall	Design Engineering
Bella Hill	7	Mr Miller	Science
Lucy Lord	7	Miss Bradley	PE
Evie Morris	7	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Mayowa Olufeyisan	7	Miss Leftley-Gynn	Pastoral
Charlie Lumb	8	Ms Jasinska	Spanish
Jack Cotuk	9	Miss Raebel	German
Charles Kavati	9	Miss Segarra Ginés	Spanish
Evelyn Myers	9	Miss Segarra Ginés	Spanish
Zainub Nadeem	9	Mrs Allen	English
Max Carruthers	10	Miss Patman	Spanish
Arqam Ali	11	Mrs Lattimer	Mathematics
Elizabeth Burrows	11	Mr Sheppard	Mathematics
Grace Butler	11	Dr Barmby	History
Megan Drake	11	Miss Leftley-Gynn	Pastoral
Amy Fletcher	11	Mrs Woolf	Chemistry
Hermione King	11	Mrs Cowell	French
Daisy Nickerson	11	Miss Pollard	Geography
Harrison Smith	11	Ms Jasinska	Spanish
Erin Cox	12	Mrs Bolitho	English Language
Emelia Hall	12	Mrs Bolitho	English Language
Gracie Sainthouse	12	Miss Sanders	Sociology
Tom Smith	13	Mr Jones	Business Studies