

# BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

*Week ending Friday 11 June 2021*  
*From Alastair Anderson, Headteacher*

Summer has arrived at last, and it has been good to see the field full of happy students enjoying time together (in their bubbles of course) when not in lessons. It has also been a week of internal examinations for Year 12 as they prepare for university applications in the months ahead. The Science Block smells of burning chemicals once again, while musicians and artists have begun to rediscover their creative energy in these reopened departments. The access to specialist facilities has certainly been an unqualified success and everyone's spirits have been lifted.

And while we wrestle with ongoing moderation of TAGs for Year 11 and Year 13 students I have therefore found myself staying thank you a lot. I am grateful to staff for all the skill and effort they have put into TAGs, I am grateful to everyone that worked hard to make the bubble changes happen and grateful to all our students for returning this week with such optimism and purpose. We have volunteers running clubs and expeditions for students, staff putting together wellbeing activities for their colleagues, an education research group in full flow and workshops for students using enrichment topics as material for future interviews. We have a summer school for incoming Year 7 students being prepared, and a new raft of celebration assemblies being organised. And there is so much more in the wings. All of this is exactly what ought to be happening at an excellent school, but after so much upheaval over the last 16 months it is remarkable to see how quickly these symptoms of excellence have re-emerged.

Reflecting on demonstrations of gratitude, teenagers have a habit of taking much for granted and not taking the time to reflect on the good that is around them. I must emphasise that I do not believe the young people of today are any worse than my generation or other generations have been in this regard: the art of reflection in the light of experience is something that can only grow with age and is rare in all school-aged children. However, this does not mean we should abandon all hope of nurturing gratitude as a fundamental ingredient of our School community. I have emphasised my commitment to kindness before; and as an extension I would like to see all members of our School community looking outward as much as possible and demonstrating kindness by being grateful. Simple demonstrations of appreciation are extremely powerful and a 'thank you' accompanied by a smile can help lift another's spirits instantly. The pace of modern living, the strains of work and revision for our students, and our tendency to look inward at the things we want for ourselves can become so all-consuming that we forget to be grateful or lose sight of the good things we have. The Shawnee Chief Tecumseh at the turn of the 19th Century is reputed to have said: 'If you see no reason to give thanks, the fault lies in yourself.' Quite right. At a time of national optimism and the imminent (we hope) return to normality let us all be thankful for what lies ahead and not dwell on the difficulties of the recent past. A glass half full is so much more appealing than a glass half empty, and taking time to say thank you helps keep that cup well filled.



## **STUDENT LEADERSHIP - Mr Brooker, Assistant Headteacher: Pastoral**

After a typically rigorous selection process, Bourne Grammar School now has its new team of Head Students for 2021-2022. This year the team is larger than ever before, reflecting both the increased size of the Sixth Form and the calibre of the applicants. Without further ado...

### **Head Students**

Sophie Palmer and Scott Merriman

### **Deputy Head Students**

Jasmine Bista, Francesca Fenwick, Jessica Gowers, Alexandra Parker,  
Stan Fitch, Oliver Lee, Rithvik Sanga and Ben Williamson

We wish these students the very best in representing the student body and guiding the School with the measured, committed leadership they are so clearly capable of.

It is also time to bid farewell to our outgoing Head Student team - Evie Kendrew, Tom Cameron, Dona Mathew, Imogen Mears, Evie Price, Max Etherington, Noah Harwood and Thomas Spinley - who bore the slings and arrows of this academic year with good grace, plenty of vim and, crucially, a smile. They set off on new journeys now, and lucky are the paths they tread. On behalf of the entire Bourne Grammar School community, what is there to say "but thanks, and thanks; and ever thanks."



## **VIRTUAL PROGRESS REVIEW MEETINGS (YEARS 7-9)**

A reminder that the PRMs will take place by video conference on the following dates:

Thursday 1 July 2021	08:30 - 18:30
Tuesday 6 July 2021	17:00 - 20:30
Thursday 8 July 2021	17:00 - 20:30

The booking system will open on Friday 18 June at 20:00 and will remain open for just over a week, closing on Sunday 27 June at 23:55. Further details on how to book an appointment will follow shortly.

Please note that you will be able to book up to 6 appointments, each of 7 minutes in duration and bookings will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. The system will ensure that each video appointment will commence and end at the scheduled time so please ensure that you have logged into the system in good time to commence your appointment. No bookings can be taken after the closing date so please ensure that you adhere to the deadline. All bookings must be made via the online booking system; bookings cannot be accepted in any other way.

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM AWARDS 2020-21 - Mr Ray, Director of PE and Sport

The following students have been nominated for the PE Curriculum Awards due to their continued hard work, positive attitude and progress since September.

The winner of each category would normally be presented with their Curriculum Award at the Sports Presentation Evening in July. This year however, the recipients (one boy and one girl per year group) will be presented with their trophy in an Awards Assembly in the final week of term. Well done to all students who have been nominated - this is an exceptional achievement.





Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
Ned Dangerfield	Oscar Chong	Theo Bryson	Mervyn Abraham
Ned Gervis	Jonathan Cottage	Harry Evison-Williams	Thomas Ellis
Noah Humphries	Jared Knight	Jack Knowles	George Groom
Flynn Knight	Zack Mckean-Smith	Alfie Lee	Theo Hewlett
Alex Watson	Matthew Stafford	Charlie Morgan	David Hyam
Freya Dahlgaard-Sigsworth	Millie Doud	Emma Aldred	Marie Cranch
Alice Jones	Evie Griffin	Rachel Dudley	Courtney Dzingeni
Jesire Richardson	Erin Larter	Libby Moore	Heidi Griffiths
Charlotte Smith	Chiara Pacitti	Lily Rundle	Katie Jakeman
Annabel Sutton	Gailie Tsang	Eliana Russo	Amelie Lindsay

## LINGUISTIC OLYMPIAD CHALLENGE - House Leaders

This week, House Leaders and Form Tutors held the Linguistic Olympiad Challenge, where students had to crack codes to discover how to spell in different and unusual languages.

7F and 8E won their round with almost 200 points each. 9D and 10A also won their round. Next week they will battle it out to decide who the overall champions, and House Point winners, will be. Year 7 will be up against Year 8, and Year 9 against Year 10. Which house will come out on top - will it be Meitner, Behn, or Tinbergen?

## HOUSE POINT TOTALS - House Leaders

			
372	678	704	1,268

*These totals show all House Points earned minus Behaviour Points.  
It includes points from all students in each house between 07/06/2021 and 11/06/2021.*

## APPRENTICESHIP WORKSHOPS - Mrs Hawkins, Careers, UCAS and Examinations Officer

The Apprenticeship Service are running parent-focused advice and guidance sessions in June and July. If your son/daughter is thinking about applying for an apprenticeship - either after Year 11 or after A-Levels - then you may find attending one of these sessions very useful. I am available to meet with any students who are thinking about apprenticeships - students should email me in the first instance to book an appointment.

Event	Audience	Date and Time	Link
Large Parents Event	Parents/ Carers	Wednesday 16 June 18:00 - 19:00	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158091699529">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158091699529</a>
Parents Event	Parents/ Carers	Wednesday 23 June 18:30 - 19:30	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158363891663">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158363891663</a>
Parents Event	Parents/ Carers	Tuesday 29 June 18:00 - 19:00	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158377779201">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158377779201</a>
ASK Day	All	Thursday 1 July All day	<i>Event links to follow</i>
Parents Event	Parents/ Carers	Wednesday 7 July 18:00 - 19:00	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158379259629">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158379259629</a>
Large Parents Event	Parents/ Carers	Thursday 15 July 18:00 - 19:00	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158380898531">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158380898531</a>
Parents Event	Parents/ Carers	Tuesday 20 July 18:30 - 19:30	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158386577517">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158386577517</a>
Parents Event	Parents/ Carers	Tuesday 27 July 18:00 - 19:00	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158387759051">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-my-child-with-an-apprenticeship-a-seminar-for-parents-carers-registration-158387759051</a>

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Merryn Baldock	7	Mrs Baverstock	Spanish
Jack Cotuk	7	Miss Smithson	English
Chloe Cox	7	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Miles Garrido	7	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Miles Garrido	7	Mrs Williamson	Registration
Aleksi Silkstone	7	Ms Currier	Spanish
Ella Snart	7	Mr Green	History
Jasper Steels	7	Miss Bennett	English
Bronte Wyvill	7	Mr Howard	EPR
Jessica Burton	8	Mr Green	History
Tegan Haw	8	Mrs Williamson	English
James Hill	8	Mr Perez	Science
Isabella Marriott	8	Miss Mafusire-Strawford	Art
Mayra Narang	8	Mr Green	History
Khushi Odedra	8	Mr Roche	Mathematics
Jason Ogoe	8	Mr Andy	Mathematics
Ayesha Shazad	8	Ms Jasinska	Spanish
Isabel Turner	8	Mr Green	History
Harry Brear	9	Miss Julian	Spanish
Vishal Gandamaneni	9	Mr Williamson	English
Arslan Bhatti	10	Miss Watson	English
Emily Gosling	10	Mr Bainbridge	History
Archie Ward	10	Mr Delport	Design Engineering
Charlie Wise	10	Mr Bainbridge	History
Katie Callcut	12	Miss Bradley	Sports Studies
Michael Flynn	12	Miss Sanders	Sociology
Jessica Gowers	12	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Noah Tarabad	12	Miss Watson	English Language



# BGS PENTATHLON



## Who is the best Athlete?

Over the coming weeks at Athletics Club you will be able to score points to find the top male and female in your year group. You must select a minimum of 5 events including at least one throw, one jump and one track event. Your best 5 results will be taken to find the champion of the pentathlon. Please see Milk for the pentathlon options form and further information. Please register by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June.

Week One- Timetable of Events Year 7&9-Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> June Year 8&10-Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Event
3:40-3:45pm	Personal Warm-up
3:50-4:00pm	Track 1 Option-100m and Discus Coaching
4:00-4:30pm	Field Options- Shot Put or Javelin or Long Jump and Discus Coaching
4:30-4:45pm	Track 2 Option- 800m and Discus Coaching
Week Two- Timetable of Events Year 7&9- Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> June Year 8&10- Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Event
3:40-3:45pm	Personal Warm-up
3:50-4:00pm	Track 1 Option-200m and Javelin Coaching
4:00-4:30pm	Field Options- Discus (All years) + Triple Jump (Year 9+10 only) and Javelin Coaching
4:30-4:45pm	Track 2 Option- 1500m and Javelin Coaching
Week Three- Timetable of Events Year 7&9- Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> June Year 8&10- Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Event
3:40-3:45pm	Personal Warm-up
3:50-4:00pm	300m/400m- (Year 9+10 only) + All years additional catch-up and Throws Coaching
4:00-4:30pm	Field Options- Hurdles (All years) & Triple Jump (Year 9+10 only) + All years additional catch-up and Throws Coaching
4:30-4:45pm	All years additional catch-up and Throws Coaching

# SPORTS CLUBS

TERM 6	Lunchtime 12:45 - 13:20	After School 16:50 finish, 17:00 to collect
MONDAY	Year 7 Cricket - Astro (SC/ACG)	Year 7 & 9 Athletics (CJR/JTB/CEB/AS) Year 8 & 10 Cricket (SC/ACG) Year 7-10 Cross Country* (SJS) Year 7 Tennis (CPB)
TUESDAY	Year 8 Rounders - Astro (AS) Year 10 Volleyball - Sports Hall (JTB)	Year 7 & 9 Cricket (SC/ACG) Year 10 Tennis (CPB) Year 9 Rounders (AS)
WEDNESDAY	Year 8 Cricket - Astro (SC/ACG) Year 9 Badminton - Sports Hall (CPB)	Year 8 & 10 Athletics (CJR/JTB/CEB/AS) Year 9 Tennis (CPB) Year 7-10 Cross Country* (SJS)
THURSDAY	Year 7 Long Jump, Hurdles and High Jump - Astro (CJR/JTB/AS)	Year 7 Rounders (AS) Year 8 Tennis (CPB)
FRIDAY	-	-

Clubs will take place weekly - should there be a need to cancel any club, as much notice as possible will be given. PE Department Meetings will affect clubs occasionally. If you have any questions, please contact the member of staff leading the club.

Students attending a club should ensure they come to School in their PE Kit on that day, ideally with a packed lunch. Please wait in your outside bubble area and the member of staff leading the club will collect you.

Please note that Shin Pads must be worn for both Football and Hockey.

*\*Please note that Cross Country will finish by 16:30.*