



BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

Week ending Friday 5 January 2024
From Alastair Anderson, Headteacher

A short week for us upon our return, and much to look forward to in the weeks ahead. The big news as we get back into our work routines is that we are straight into formal assessments for Year 9 and 10 and next week Year 13 mock A Level examinations begin. For Year 13 this is a critical time, an opportunity to get an accurate picture of the successful work completed and clarity on what needs to be done in the final few months of study. Good luck to all candidates and an early thank you to our Exams Team leading on the operational management of the process. And in advance of a particularly dense period of extra work, thanks to those teachers with significant marking loads on the horizon as a result. Here comes the coffee at midnight...

Looking ahead, we are excited at the prospect of a triple whammy of Performing Arts excellence. Rehearsals for the three night run of *West End Wonders* in March are well underway as are preparations for *The Junction Dance Showcase*, slightly earlier in February. And alongside this, much hard graft is being put in by the cast of the week-long production of *High School Musical* being performed at the end of Term 4. The bar was set high last term by the quality of the *Winter Showcase* and Sixth Form production of *Our Country's Good*, and these three showpiece events are sure to maintain or raise it further.

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and that, whatever your collective or individual goals are for 2024, the New Year brings fresh hope and momentum!

YEAR 11 – PROGRESS REVIEW MEETINGS: THURSDAY 11 JANUARY

Booking system

The SchoolCloud booking system will close **tonight, Friday 5 January at 23:55**.

You will be able to book up to 10 appointments, each of 6 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 you have logged into the system in good time to commence your appointment.

The online booking system can be accessed [here](#).

A login code is not required; the system has been set up using the details of the Priority 1 parent and your child's preferred forename (as used in School), surname and date of birth as recorded on our database. **Please ensure only one Priority 1 parent makes the bookings to avoid duplicated appointments.**

All queries about online booking should be directed by e-mail to Mrs B Hall via prm@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk

SPANISH WORKSHOP - Report by Sam Newcombe and Charlotte Cullen, Year 13

At the end of last term we took part in a workshop on 'La casa de Bernarda Alba' – the play we are studying as part of our A-Level course. We had the opportunity to learn from a Spanish actress who came from London to teach us.

Throughout the workshop, we had the opportunity to develop our understanding of the characters and symbols utilised in La Casa de Bernada Alba. The workshop provided us with unique experiences such as performing scenes from the play with direct support from the actress, and games. Helping us to express the emotions conveyed in the scenes that we couldn't interpret just by reading the play allowed us to express our empathy and understanding of each character's individual situation. This will allow us to fully express the depth of our understanding when it comes to writing our exams.



The group discussions benefitted us a lot as they allowed us to pull our ideas together and identify different views we could have of different quotes and how different scenes could be understood.

Overall, the experience was great and allowed us to feel more connected with the themes, characters, and emotions in the play.



YEAR 8 KINDNESS COMPETITION – Report by Ms Bradley, HOY 8

Throughout term 2 year 8 were focusing on kindness towards others and themselves. They heard assemblies about the impact of being kind to another person, and through PSHE sessions they were provided with strategies on how to be kind to themselves.

During the term the students had the opportunity to engage in a "Kindness Competition" of which there were two strands. One was to earn "Good Egg Commendations" from their teachers for demonstrating kindness in lessons, and the other was to recognise kindness in others by anonymously completing a voting slip to put in the "Kindness Box" that was located outside the year 8 Pastoral Base. It was fantastic to read all the wonderfully kind behaviours our students have displayed, and really spiriting to hear the students actively discussing kindness with one another.

A selection of the votes has been created into posters which will be displayed outside the year 8 Pastoral Base. Well done year 8 – keep up the kindness!

Who has been kind? ~~Sai~~ Hafeena Ali
What have they done?
Complimented

Who has been kind? Tyler Gibson
What have they done?

He has been really kind by
letting me ~~come~~ talk ~~with~~ him
and hangout with him.

Who has been kind? Iustin Rusalim
What have they done? He complimented
me

Who has been kind? Sneha
What have they done?
helped me practice
SOL a few

Who has been kind? Kirit
What have they done?
took someone to
medical

Who has been kind? Harry Armstrong
What have they done?
helped me

Who has been kind? Rowanne Gray
What have they done? Being nice to me
in general

Who has been kind? Dennis
What have they done? Lend me
a pen

Who has been kind? Johnny M.
What have they done?
helped me revise

Who has been kind? Bella Hill
What have they done? Got me lunch when I ran out of
money.

Who has been kind? Mylah Moore
What have they done?
Picked up litter, smiled at
me

Who has been kind?
Kirit
What have they done?
Help me pick up my things

Who has been kind? Saihaan
What have they done? Always
been helpful and
supportive

Who has been kind? Carole
What have they done?
Gave me a sweet

Who has been kind? Iustin Rusalim
What have they done? Bought me food
yesterday

Who has been kind?
Sneha
What have they done?
helped me revise

Who has been kind?
Kirit
What have they done?
Wrote for me.

Who has been kind? Carys Collingridge
What have they done? Always greeting my
friend Iustin in a nice way

Who has been kind? Radha Thotakura
What have they done?
Been a very good
friend and always
been there for me.

Who has been kind?
~~Johny~~ Johnny Mullot
What have they done?
He helped me revise.

Who has been kind? LAUREN BURGIN
What have they done?
HELPED ME REVISE FOR A
TEST

Who has been kind? Arril
What have they done?
Gave ~~me~~ me a compliment

Who has been kind? Saihaan Damani
What have they done?
Always been helpful
eg. lend me a pen
listened when I needed
to talk.

Who has been kind? Iustin Rusalim 8H
What have they done? Complimented me
several times in one day

Who has been kind? OW Parrot
What have they done?
Being friendly

Who has been kind?
~~Sneha~~ Sneha
What have they done?
Took me to medical

Who has been kind? Sashwat
What have they done?
Waited for me

KINDNESS

Who has been kind? *Kaithe Mear*
What have they done?
Helped me with my homework

Who has been kind?
What have they done?

Gabriela Korbylo helped
me in class when I was
stuck on a question.

Who has been kind? *Justin Rusalim*
What have they done? *In chess, he beat
me, but did not brag, he shook
hands*

Who has been kind? *Nevaeh*
What have they done? *A good
supportive friend in
bad times.*

Who has been kind? *Orla Bailey*
What have they done? *helped me up when
i fell over in netball*

Who has been kind? *Elliot Edwards*
What have they done?
They have bought me breakfast several times

Who has been kind? *Johnny Tulloh*
What have they done?
*helps people in lesson
when needed.*

Who has been kind? *Casper Baldock*
What have they done?
*Lent me a pen in our
history test*

Who has been kind? *Carlota BA*
What have they done? *for giving her
jumper in PE when I
was cold.*

Who has been kind?
~~Lucy~~
What have they done?
*invited me to a
dinner*

Who has been kind? *Sneha*
What have they done?
Help me revise

Who has been kind? *Savannah Luciano*
What have they done?
*Always brightens
up my day.*

Who has been kind? *Lastine R BH*
What have they done?
He got me a pizza

Toby Bell gave *Vladimir Harlap*
valters a new poppy i lost
mine

Who has been kind? *Aun Fawin*
What have they done?
*Said i did good
in
science
test*

Who has been kind? *Toby Haylock-cox*
What have they done?
*bought me a
flapjack because im
cool*

Who has been kind? *Lewis Fryer*
What have they done?
held a door for me

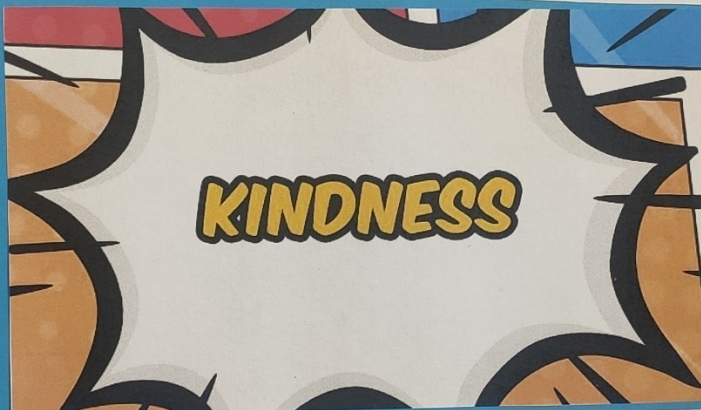
Who has been kind?
Noah Skinner
What have they done?
*key called me
epic and cool*

Who has been kind? *Amelia Giblin*
What have they done? *Made cookies for me to make me
feel better*

Who has been kind? *Vlad-Harlap -valtors*
What have they done?
he gave me a pen

Who has been kind? *Sneha Thomas*
What have they done? *Saves a seat
for me in the bus*

Who has been kind? *DARCIE TRAWFORD*
What have they done?
*COMPLIMENTED ME WHEN I WAS
SAD*



Who has been kind? **Nevoah Agymanga**
 What have they done?
 Been a good supportive friend in bad times.

Who has been kind? **Esther near**
 What have they done?
 She was really kind and generous when I was going through rough time.

Who has been kind? **Carys Collingridge**
 What have they done? Always greets me in a nice way even though she is not my friend

Who has been kind? **Isabella Atkinson**
 What have they done?
 They bought me a item from the chill when I didn't have money.

Who has been kind? **Aman Brate**
 What have they done? Helping me revise

Who has been kind? **Sian Beeken**
 What have they done?
 Complimented my makeup

Who has been kind? **Geerthana Elango.**
 What have they done?
 Helped give notes in science

Who has been kind? **Sashwat**
 What have they done?
 Helped me - transition from my old school to this school

Who has been kind? **Isla Crawford**
 What have they done?
 Let me borrow her hairbrush

Who has been kind? **Hughlin BE**
 What have they done?
 Protected me

Who has been kind? **Orla Bailey**
 What have they done?
 Lending me a pen when mine broke

Who has been kind? **Jack**
 What have they done?
 Held the door for me

Who has been kind? **Saham**
 What have they done?
 Opened the door

KINDNESS matters

Who has been kind? **Darcie Crawford**
 What have they done?
 complimented my eyelashes twice in two days

Who has been kind? **Ali Parrot**
 What have they done?
 Helped me with my homework.

Who has been kind? **Elliot F**
 What have they done?
 Took ~~me~~ ^{someone} to medical when they were in a lot of pain.

Who has been kind? **Haleema Ali**
 What have they done? She's nice to me in general

Who has been kind? **Josie**
 What have they done?
 gave me new perfume

Who has been kind? **Amelia Giblin**
 What have they done?
 She helped me when I got upset

Who has been kind? **Zac Holmes**
 What have they done?

They have been my ~~ste~~ friend since reception

Who has been kind? **Casper baldock**
 What have they done?
 Shared his rice cake with me

Who has been kind? **Lola Anderson-Smith**
 What have they done? A good supportive friend in bad times

Who has been kind? **Amani**
 What have they done?
 Laughs with me to ward in home work.

Who has been kind? **MOLLY SMITH**
 What have they done? Complimented me

Who has been kind? **beth**
 What have they done?
 B. smiled at me

Who has been kind? **Imogen South wood**
 What have they done?
 Picked up the pen I dropped

Who has been kind? **Aarav P.**
 What have they done?
 helped someone go to medical

CAREERS UPDATE AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY from Mrs Elliot Careers and UCAS Coordinator

As the academic year progresses, I would like to highlight the following forthcoming events which may be of help to both students and parents.

Medic Mentor are running a free Get into Medicine conference for students in years 10 to 12 embarking on their medical journey or contemplating a career in medicine. The dates are:

Saturday and Sunday, 13-14 January, 9:30am - 3pm

Find out more about the free Get Into Medicine conference [here](#).

Students in year 11 are currently in the process of having 1:1 careers meetings to discuss their post 16 plans. For those considering university as an option when they leave school they may find the Subject Matters webinars run by our link college Christ's College, Cambridge helpful when deciding on their A level subjects. This webinar will cover an introduction to university and will provide advice on what subjects and combinations of subjects to choose to be competitive for a variety of courses at Cambridge and other selective universities. The next webinar is being held on **Thursday 25 January at 5pm**. To register for the session please [click here](#).





We will also be hosting our annual Oxbridge Information evening on **Wednesday 28 February** for students in years 11 and 12 and their parents. More information will follow later in the month.

Finally, I would like to signpost our Information evening for year 12 parents on Post 18 Options which is taking place on **Wednesday 27 March**. This evening will outline the different options for students after leaving BGS, including university and apprenticeships. Again, more information on the evening will be sent out later in the term.

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Well done to Kris Rushworth, 11D who passed his grade 6 piano exam.

HOUSE TOTALS

			
23813	23786	27033	23899

***These totals show all House Points earned minus Behaviour Points.
It includes points from all students in each house between 4/9/2023 - 04/01/2024.***

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Aarikha Arunkumar	7	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Naomi Crowther	7	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Ted Moocarme	7	Mrs Allen	English
Divyana Patel	7	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Tobias Poberezniuk	7	Mrs Lattimer	Mathematics
Andrejs Zinkevics	7	Miss Segarra Ginés	Spanish
Jessie Desborough	7	Mr Graves	PE
Caoimhe Healy	7	Mr Graves	PE
Jessica Daniels	8	Mr Jones	Music
Leo Hornan	8	Mr Brown	Computer Science
Ellie Moore	8	Mr Dougall	Design Engineering
Freddie Neal	8	Ms Creedon	PSHE
Jessica Nicholson	8	Miss Bradley	PE
Sashwat Thiagarajan Arun Prasath	8	Miss Dorosenko	Science
Megan Weeks	8	Miss Bradley	PE
Hamish Wood	8	Mr Farrow	Mathematics
Grace Allen	9	Mrs Clark	Spanish
Jayden Luis	9	Mr Edwards	Spanish
Samhita Thiagarajan Arun Prasath	9	Mr Bainbridge	History
Adeena Sajid	9	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Luke Joyner	10	Ms Jasinska	Spanish
Bronte Wyvill	10	Mr Mitchell	Physics
Ollie Darby	11	Mrs Williamson	English
Olivia Dunicz	11	Mrs Cowell	French
Isla Gray	11	Miss Pritchard	English
Isla Gray	11	Miss Segarra Ginés	Spanish
Kai Bhandari	12	Mr Moxley	Registration
Raife Brownlow	12	Miss Lindley	Geography
Elizabeth Burrows	12	Mr Moxley	Registration
Lizzie Edwards	12	Miss Sanders	Registration
Eva Larter	12	Mr Moxley	Registration
Madison Prince	12	Miss Lindley	Geography
Harrison Smith	12	Mr Moxley	Registration
Emily Vachkov	12	Mr Moxley	Registration
Catrinel Acasandri	12	Mr Mitchell	Law
Isla Baker	12	Mr Mitchell	Law
Grace Burrows	12	Mr Mitchell	Law
Ella Gynn	12	Mr Mitchell	Law
Olivia Ward	12	Mr Mitchell	Law
Zak Willoughby	12	Mr Mitchell	Law
Samuel Callisto	13	Miss Sanders	Sociology

BBL CHAMPION AWARD – Mr Hewitt, Deputy Headteacher – Academic

Doogie Shorrock (8G) is our BBL Champion for this week in recognition of his ongoing independent work in Spanish. At the end of each module Doogie works independently at home to create a 5-minute video incorporating all of the Spanish that has been studied. Making each video takes Doogie approximately 3 hours but he believes it helps him to consolidate his learning of all the material covered in each unit. Doogie also makes it into an interactive quiz for the whole class to enjoy and benefit from.

Well done to Doogie for this excellent independent work! 10 House Points have been awarded to him for his wonderful efforts.



Vacancy

Personal Development Curriculum Lead

This is an exciting opportunity for the post holder to develop, lead, manage and teach a creative and inspirational Personal Development programme for years 7 to 13 ensuring that it is effective, meets Ofsted requirements, and supports the overall School Development Plan. The successful candidate will have an in-depth knowledge of all aspects of Personal Development (PSHE, RSE, Statutory RE, British Values, SMSC, Citizenship and Careers) and will construct a comprehensive programme of its delivery that will include, but is not limited to: lessons in the curriculum, tutor time, 'drop down' days and other enrichment activities.

The successful candidate will provide support to form tutors who deliver content in tutor time and will also be leading a small team of staff who will deliver Personal Development lessons in the curriculum, ensuring they receive adequate training and support whilst developing systems of quality assurance.

There is also the opportunity to work with Heads of Year and Deputy Heads of Year (7-13) as well as Subject Leaders in order to further develop the range and quality of social, moral, spiritual and cultural experiences with which students are able to engage. A candidate with the ability to teach Religious Education or Humanities is desirable.

For further details please visit the Vacancies section of the School website [here](#). Completed application forms should be submitted to Ms Hill – recruitment@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk by **Friday 19 January**.