



Bourne Grammar School Weekly Bulletin



30 September – 4 October

Overview of the Week

Alastair Anderson, Headteacher

As a school we are proud of our efforts to network and support the local community, and it was lovely this week to receive a positive message from Morton Primary about the work of Mr Edwards, one of our Spanish teachers who builds links into Key Stage 3. Mr Edwards went to Morton to provide some expertise in Spanish, teaching some lessons, discussing Spanish culture, assisting with work on Picasso and playing his part in the tasting of Spanish food! Described as a “fantastic day” by the teacher leading on the day, I am grateful to Mr Edwards for his time and effort, and am pleased that we continue to build links like this. Shortly our Year 12 mentoring programme for local Primary Schools will be back up and running, and as Christmas approaches we will be supporting the local Food Bank, completing our Shoe Box appeal and even sending musicians in for a concert to support the Len Pick Trust. To all involved in initiatives like this, very well done. They are invaluable for the local community.

This week we had our Clubs and Activities Fair where students were able to speak to those on the various stands about the clubs we offer, and we wished our Geographers the best of luck as they departed for Sicily. Meanwhile a group of A Level Spanish students are preparing shortly to depart for Seville. We provide an excellent academic programme, and we are proud also of our wider offering of clubs, trips and activities. To all our students – words that have been said before – get involved! There is no better way of maximising your time in school than showing willing to give something new a try.

House Totals

9181	10239	8100	9433

***These totals show all House Points earned minus Behaviour Points.
It includes points from all students in each house for this week.***

CERN Trip

Ben Pennycook:

Switzerland was a blast and one of the blasiest bits for me was Bern's famous medieval clock tower, Zytglogge. This interest makes sense as my first word was 'clock'. Upon first glance the tower is just like any other. With a wonderful tour guide like Michel, however, I soon learnt that the clock face tells you the: day of the week, the month, the Zodiac sign, the phase of the Moon, the Sun's position, the time of sunrise and sunset, and obviously the time of day. The mechanics behind the clock must be so well engineered! We were told that the gears themselves are easy to remove and service, but the people of Bern rely on that clock so the pressure would be too much for me! One gimmick about the tower that separates itself from the rest is the small figurine routine that happens each hour. A cockerel will crow three times during the performance, a jester will mistakenly ring the bell too early, and finally the embodiment of time, Chronos, will wave his wand/rod and the tower will finally ring. I, of course, can't forget the lion who supervises Chronos, and the assortment of bears that do a little dance. The square that the tower finds itself situated upon was full of tourists, hypocritical I know, but other than that it was overall a 10/10 clock, would visit again!

Madison Mylchreest, Zara Wildsmith, Grey Watson and Harrie Metcalfe:

A favourite moment was going to Plasma Research Centre, where they are attempting to recreate the sun in order to generate renewable energy. We got to witness the plasma produced in real time and other applications with the future off fusion. The dinners were always great as well, tasting Swiss food and getting to know each other better, especially the dinner in Bern where the restaurant overlooked the Bear Park. Afterwards we all skipped in the dark through the city of Bern, with Mr Miller even joining in. When the train back to Geneva from Bern was cancelled and we had a 2-minute change over to get to another platform and



on a train, Maddie had to carry Cait (who was on crutches) on her back up and down stairs, running through the station - we made it before the train!

The United Nations trip was another key moment, where we were able to witness a debate on human rights and one on autonomous vehicles. These were particularly impressive as we saw first-hand the international diplomats working together to improve the lives of millions.

Cameron Adam:

Despite the damp weather, the boat tour of lake Geneva was certainly one of the best events of the trip. From seeing the mechanism behind the 100-year-old steamboat, to the stunning views on all sides, it was definitely a trip to remember. Furthermore, the fondue on the first night was brilliant, starting with some very rich cheese and heading into cooking our own beef, it was a fantastic experience and absolutely delicious.



Individual Achievement- Ava Stewart



Ava Stewart, 7C, attended the regional finals with Dance Inspirations.

She performed 3 solos in Modern/Jazz, Acro and Lyrical and she placed first in all 3. She performed her Acro duet with her dance partner Olivia, also placing first.

She has qualified through to the National Finals in Blackpool in January where she will again compete to try and gain a top 3 place in the categories she qualified with.

To top the day off she was selected by one of the judges to compete in the Grand Final in the judges battle - the judges pick 10 dancers from across the country to perform on their team and battle to win against the other teams/judges.



Duke of Edinburgh

Mrs Brett, DofE Manager

Congratulations to these students who recently completed their DofE Awards:

Y12 Silver:

Yvette Annis

Jonathan Blair

Jessica Burton

Matilda Eagle-Brown

Hasini Vijayasanker

Zara Goode

Lucie Lund

Isabel Turner

Kacper Zajac

Y 11 Bronze:

Henry Hill

Gabriel Jagger

Isabella Mahoney

Toby Staines

Extra Academic Support for Year 12 and 13 Students

Mr Hewitt, Deputy Head Academic

A-Levels are difficult. It is therefore completely normal for Year 12 and 13 students to struggle with certain concepts taught to them in lessons. As I explained to students in an assembly this week, this struggle to overcome difficulty does ultimately bring a sense of reward and is part of the learning process; and overcoming these difficulties distinguishes students from others around them who do not.

Aware of the academic challenge of A Levels, students are given access to extra support in the form of the Sixth Form Drop-in Timetable. (See below). Whenever students are not in lessons, they are able to meet with subject specialist teachers (at the time and venue timetabled) to check understanding, seek extra help or simply to chat more deeply about the subject.

This additional support outside of lessons ties in with the School's ethos of independent learning and requires a level of maturity from our students to make it work. I urge all Sixth Form students to make the most of this scheme; some fabulous teachers are giving up their time voluntarily because they want to help. I am confident that the Drop-ins will be a huge success.

	MON 1	TUES 1	WEDS 1	THURS 1	FRI 1	MON 2	TUES 2	WEDS 2	THURS 2	FRI 2
PERIOD 1		MEDIA MIW (MS1)	PHYSICS MWI (S5)	MUSIC MMT (MU2) CHEMISTRY JBM (S12) FRENCH SMC (MFL3)			MEDIA MIW (MS1)	BIOLOGY EJM (S1)		
PERIOD 2	GEOGRAPHY REG (G4)	MATHEMATICS MAF (M11)		BUSINESS / ECONOMICS NL (Mr Lawrence's Office)		CHEMISTRY ZES (S10)		RS / POLITICS SPT (EPR3)	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS NL (Mr Lawrence's Office)	
PERIOD 3	BIOLOGY KMH (S15)			THEATRE STUDIES VRP (D1)			PHYSICS ALM (S6)	GEOGRAPHY EEL (G2)		COMPUTER SCIENCE CMO (CS3)
PERIOD 4	FRENCH SMC (MFL3) DESIGN ENG SAB (DE1) RS / POLITICS SPT (EPR3)		ART CEW (A3) HISTORY HCB (H1)	PHYSICAL EDUCATION CEB (E5)	PHYSICAL EDUCATION CPB (MFL5)	MATHEMATICS GPR (M12)	MATHEMATICS SDR (M2)	ART CEW (A2)		THEATRE STUDIES NM (D1) CHEMISTRY TJG (H2)
PERIOD 5	ENGLISH HKT (E8)	LAW AJM (SS3) SPANISH AMC (Miss Creedon's Office)				MATHEMATICS JC (M10)	ENGLISH HKT (E8)		DESIGN ENG CD (DE2) SPANISH SJP (MFL4)	

SIXTH FORM DROP-INS



BBL Champion

Mr Hewitt, Deputy Head Academic

Will Davies of 7H is this week's BBL Champion in recognition of some excellent independent



work in EPR (Ethics, Philosophy and Religion). His teacher, Mr Howard, was impressed by Will's efforts in recapping his notes from the lesson at home and adding to them by using facts found from his independent research. focused on the wider concept of what is a religion anchored in the 7 dimensions identified and prescribed by Ninian Smart.

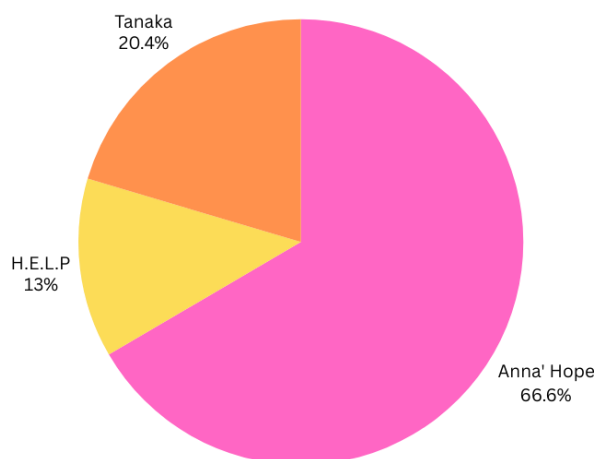
His teacher says; "I congratulated him during the lesson for his excellent efforts. He really built on his learning and understanding of the concepts of religion as outlined by Ninian Smart."

Will is showing that he is developing his independent learning skills well. He is a worthy winner from a year group that has certainly impressed in their first months at the School.

Charity Selection

Ms Creedon, Assistant Head, Personal Development

The winning charity for this academic year is Anna's Hope, with a landslide 66.6% win.



Anna's Hope is the leading children's brain tumour charity in the East of England, since 2006. It's five aims are:

1. Help children and their families during cancer treatment
2. Help through specialist neurorehabilitation
3. Helping through happy memories
4. Helping through family support groups
5. Raising awareness and helping find a cure

Students of the Week

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Henry Blowers	7	Mr Osborne	Computer Science
Henry Blowers	7	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Liam McAllister	8	Mrs Allen	English
Jack Andresen	8	Miss Patman	Spanish
Kamsi Anike	8	Mr Khumalo	Science
Kamsi Anike	8	Mr Hewitt	Geography
William Didsbury	8	Mrs Evans	Geography
Rishita Dutta	8	Mrs Woolf	Science
Ted Moocarme	8	Miss Lindley	Geography
Riya Trivedi	8	Miss Hodge	History
Dennis Brierley	9	Ms Kemp	English
Elodie Collins	9	Mr Williamson-Ward	English
Coby Dawkins	10	Mrs Edwards	English
Ayobami Karim	10	Ms Bowtell	Registration
Bella Pridgeon	10	Dr Barmby	History
Chidera Anike	10	Mr Moxley	Drama
Charlie Bedford	10	Mr Lennox	Physics

Akshith Pandian	10	Ms Jones	English
Ellen Richardson	10	Mrs Bolitho	English
Diyaan Trivedi	10	Mrs Allen	English
Sophie Gombault	11	Mr Walklin	Mathematics
Munachukwuso Anike	11	Miss Patman	Spanish
Merryn Baldock	11	Mr Howard	EPR
Deon Mathew	11	Miss Smallshaw	Chemistry
Ella Snart	11	Miss Patman	Spanish
Ayesha Shazad	12	Mr Jones	Business Studies
Grace Osborne	12	Miss McAleese	Psychology
Elia Cranwell	12	Mr Williamson	Media Studies
Paa-Yaw Gyan	12	Dr Hobbiss	Psychology
Oliver Jordan	12	Miss McAleese	Psychology
Juanita Anson	13	Miss Sanders	Sociology
Raife Brownlow	13	Dr Hobbiss	Psychology
Elizabeth Byrne	13	Miss McAleese	Psychology
Gabriel Carver	13	Mr Jones	Business Studies
Lottie Crane	13	Mr Perez	Biology
Lizzie Edwards	13	Miss McAleese	Psychology
Arunima Vemulapalli	13	Mr Stainton	Biology
Kai Bhandari	13	Dr Barmby	History
Henry Blowers	7	Mr Osborne	Computer Science
Henry Blowers	7	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Liam McAllister	8	Mrs Allen	English