



# BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

*Week ending Friday 20 October 2017*

*From Jonathan Maddox, Headteacher*

## WE'RE IN!



On Monday we moved into our new Science Block. These pictures were taken on Monday and Tuesday and they show the new laboratories in use for normal science lessons...the block is simply now part of the School estate. Now that we are practically at the point at which all Science teaching (plus my own Mathematics and Citizenship lessons) are taught in the new building, we have at last a sense of how having up to 450 students moving to and fro and being taught there has improved the traffic around the School and has afforded a different feel to the entire site. The campus feels opened out, less crowded, calmer and certainly much more modern.





Inside, the Science Block boasts very wide corridors, an enormous foyer area, plentiful (and very high-quality) new toilet facilities, a spacious new staff room and a modern climate-control system which should ensure ideal conditions for our students and staff. The fifteen new laboratories are fitted out to the latest specification as are the three spacious prep-rooms.

Never a School to stand still, we turn our attention now to our other major site projects, not least of which will be refurbishment and redeployment of the old science laboratories.



### **YEAR 11 GEOGRAPHY TRIP TO SICILY - Report by Niruthikcah Rajkanna and Yasmin Hornsby**

Even though we had to be at school at 03:00, 44 students and teachers were excited as an adventurous week in Sicily awaited. We all got on the bus and rode to Luton airport where we caught the plane to Catania after breakfast and free time (shopping for the girls!) in the airport. From the plane we got amazing views of the snow-capped mountains and our first glance of the astonishing Mount Etna that we had gone to Sicily to see. Once we landed, we collected our luggage (all except Harriet's whose case wasn't on the carousel as another passenger had picked hers up by mistake!) and drove to Giardini-Naxos, a beautiful coastal town where we ate lunch before going on a tour around an archaeological site. After everyone got amazing photos of the scenery, we headed back onto the coach to the hotel in Letojanni where we unpacked (even Harriet - her case had arrived!) and settled into our rooms which all had sea views. We then headed downstairs for a four-course meal and had free time in Letojanni to explore before going to bed.

Our first full day began with croissants for breakfast and everyone packing warm clothes for our anticipated trek up Mount Etna. When we arrived at the base of Etna, we rode a cable-car up and then caught jeeps to one of the four main craters at the top. We were 3000m high and it was freezing so we wrapped up in hats and scarves. Our tour-guide talked to us about how the volcano was formed from underwater eruptions whilst we trekked around the crater.







## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS OF STUDENTS IN YEAR 7

It has been decided to move the date for which students in Year 7 are placed into ability sets for Mathematics and English - the only subjects which are taught in ability sets in Year 7. Students will continue to be taught in form-group sets for a further two weeks once we return after half-term. This slight delay is to allow more assessments to be marked and their results used in the setting process. This will ultimately result in fairer and more accurate setting. The sets will take effect on Monday 13 November.

## PARENT GOVERNOR INFORMATION EVENING

A reminder that all parents are invited to a Parent Governor Information Evening prior to the Parent Governor election process, to be held at School on Wednesday 1 November from 19:00 - 20:00. The evening will offer parents the opportunity to find out about and discuss the roles and responsibilities of becoming a Parent Governor. If you are interested in attending then, in order for us to ensure that a suitably-sized room is booked, please register your interest at: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/419076>

## ARTWORK

This week, a number of our Art students have entered the Willoughby Memorial Trust's Annual Open Art Competition, which runs from 2 - 24 November in Corby Glen. The standard this year has been extremely high and we are proud to include two entries made by our students.



*Bea Allen  
(Year 13)*



*Ollie Wilson  
(Year 7)*

Last week, artwork by Year 9 students was featured in the *Bulletin* with the wrong names - the correct names are below. My apologies to Sandra and Ria for the error.



*Sandra Sajosh*



*Ria Sharpe*

# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Name	Year	Staff	Subject
Emily Gosling	7	Mr Perez	Science
Ben Harrison	7	Mr Dougall	Design Engineering
Charlie Knight	7	Mr Adams	Mathematics
Sophia Mitchell	7	Miss Smallshaw	Science
Charlotte Harrison	8	Mr Baker	Computing
Sophie Jordan	8	Mrs Mohan	PE
Tyler Shell	8	Mr Bainbridge	History
Asha Taank	8	Mrs Clark	Spanish
Oliver Lee	9	Mrs Elliker	English
Anna Sloss	9	Mr Smith	History
Adam Thompson	9	Mrs Somerville	Art
Bobby Clark	10	Mr Sheppard	Mathematics
Millie Parker	10	Miss Dorosenko	Biology
Katie Stanbury	10	Mr Innocent	Chemistry
Matthew Arkwright	11	Mrs Shales	Mathematics
Aiden Harrold	11	Miss Hurrell	Spanish
Isobel Kaufman	11	Mr Perez	Biology
Stanley Godfrey	12	Mrs Worrall	Spanish
Thomas Parker	12	Mr Mitchell	Physics

## INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

**Music** Chloe Lorentzen (Year 8) will be featuring on BBC Radio Cambridgeshire with her musical partner Gianni to promote her appearance on the Main Stage at this year's inaugural *Oxjam* Music Festival. *Oxjam* is Oxfam's musical fundraising vehicle - more details can be found at [oxjampeterborough.com](http://oxjampeterborough.com).

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