

Welcome

What an exciting week it has been at Bosworth Academy!



On Wednesday we held the grand opening ceremony of our new 3G pitch. This excellent floodlit facility for use by Bosworth Academy, Desford FC and our wider community has taken years of planning.

We are so grateful to the Football Foundation, our Friends of Bosworth, Leicestershire Rutland County FA, Desford Parish Council, and Leicester City in the Community for all they have done working together to achieve such a truly awesome facility.



Unfortunately our special guest, Premier League referee Kevin Friend, was called away at the last minute to lead VAR for the rescheduled West Ham Utd v Manchester City fixture. Instead the Member of Parliament for Bosworth, Dr Luke Evans stepped in. Dr Luke Evans has worked closely with our school previously and spoke eloquently about the importance of such a facility to our local community. A Football Freestyle session was led by Ash Randall a Freestyler who showed our young footballers some incredible tricks to their great delight. Refreshments and delicious canapés were prepared and shared by Bosworth's catering students to our many guests. When Dr Luke Evans officially cut the purple ribbon to open the 3G pitch there was a cry of celebration from both Bosworth Academy and Desford FC footballers as they streamed onto the artificial pitch for the very first time.

Our huge thanks must go to Chris Ripley, our Facility & Programme Development Leader, who has led this 3G project from the start. His exceptional leadership, drive and commitment to widening our community sporting offer has ensured we have this exceptional facility for our young people. On behalf of all of Bosworth Academy, LiFE Trust and our wider community we thank him for all that he has done.

On Thursday evening we held our Sixth Form Open Evening. This event was extremely well attended with more parents and year 11 students from across Leicestershire and beyond attending than ever before. Our Sixth Form Ambassadors were incredible, guiding or sharing their subject expertise to nearly one thousand visitors. Bosworth's Sixth Form, The Oaks, is unique, achieving excellent A level outcomes whilst also focusing on developing students' global competencies for the world beyond school. The progress of our students matches the top 10% of Post 16 providers nationally and this strong reputation has seen our Sixth Form grow and grow. Our brilliant, expert staff, as ever, showed their love of learning and passion for what they do. I'd like to thank every one of our students who gave up their evening and showed such great compassion by supporting their school. A special thank you to year 13 students Hana Zain and Aidan Pancholi, as well as Alumni Daisy Nicholson, who presented to three audiences during the evening. We couldn't have held such a great evening without you all!



There will be lots of exciting events happening in school across our community next week to celebrate Diwali which is on Thursday 4th November. Diwali is a 5 day festival of lights celebrated by millions of hindus, sikhs and jains across the world. It marks a new beginning, the triumph of good over evil, and light over darkness. On Thursday students celebrating Diwali are able to wear their cultural clothes to school. On that day students may choose to celebrate Diwali by wearing one piece of colourful clothing and we have clearly explained that this is not a non-uniform day.



To conclude, the spirit we have seen this week reminds me of a quote by the American author and disability rights advocate, **Helen Keller**, who said, **"Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much"**. This week has truly shown how much our community working together can achieve.

Have a great weekend,

Mr Brown, Headteacher

Young Minds Hello Yellow Day

Towards the end of the last half-term, we supported Young Minds Hello Yellow Day. Staff and students from all year groups dressed in an item of yellow clothing or bright socks in order to show how important it is to look after our wellbeing and how important it is to create a culture where we can talk to others and get support when things are not going so well. We spent tutor time completing a variety of different activities around this topic as well as completing random acts of kindness and thanking people around us that are there for us!

Thanks to all staff and students that contributed to the buzz of the day! A reminder that if anyone does need to talk to someone then please contact your tutor or Head of Year. Our Bosworth document of where to get further support is attached to this [link](#) too.



Mrs Harbour

'Lit in Colour' Winners!

I am delighted to announce that Bosworth Academy was selected for the 'Lit in Colour' book giveaway. This week we received 100 free books by black and other minority ethnic authors plus 30 copies of *Empireland* by Sathnam Sanghera! The 'Lit in Colour' research was commissioned by Penguin and The Runnymede Trust in 2020 to find innovative and practical ways to give schools the support they need to introduce more books by black and minority ethnic people into the classroom for all ages. We hope that by widening the literature available in school our students will be introduced to different voices and perspectives too, broadening their understanding of literature. Look out for the new books in the Compass and submit book reviews to skasuji@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Mrs Kasuji




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Autumn Term 2021



Be better than you thought you could be

Black History Month


To celebrate Black History Month, students have been learning about a range of Black role models. Black History Month provides the platform to celebrate these successes and achievements as unfortunately Black peoples' contribution to society is often overlooked or even ignored. Here are some examples of the daily slides students have been looking at and discussing:

Maya Angelou was an American poet, memoirist, and civil rights activist. She published seven autobiographies, three books of essays, several books of poetry, and is credited with a list of plays, movies, and television shows spanning over 50 years. She received dozens of awards and more than 50 honorary degrees.

"Do the best you can until you know better, then when you know better, do better."

— Maya Angelou

5th October - Tuesday



Ade Adepitan MBE

Ade was born in Lagos and moved to London when he was 3 years old. As a child in Nigeria he contracted Polio which left him in a wheelchair. His disabilities did not stop him securing a Bronze medal in the Athens Paralympics in 2004.

Apart from Basketball he is a television presenter and now hosts regular documentaries highlighting African nations as well as the devastating effects of climate change.

15th October - Friday



Mary Seacole - 1805 - 1881

Mary Seacole applied to the British Government to nurse the sick in the Crimean War. She was refused to do so on the basis of her skin colour. She decided to set up the 'British Hotel' behind the lines in order to treat injured soldiers. The Army soldiers called her 'Mother Seacole'. In 2004 she was voted for as the 'greatest Black Briton'.

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/uk/3475445.stm>

26th October - Tuesday



Marcus Rashford MBE

Born October 31st, 1997 born in Manchester, England

He has played for Manchester United since the age of 7 and can regularly be seen in the English National team.

Rashford is a keen supporter of ending child poverty. He helped raise over £20 million for 'Fare Share' to provide free school meals during the first year of the pandemic.

12th October - Tuesday



Sixth Form Open Evening

On Thursday this week we held our Sixth Form Open Evening, an opportunity for students in Year 11 considering their options after GCSEs to visit the Sixth Form at Bosworth Academy and find out more about the range of courses we have on offer. Over 1100 people booked tickets for the event with the majority attending one of three presentations, more than ever before, a sign of our growing popularity as an A level provider.



As always departmental displays and activities were engaging and informative with parents commenting on the passion and

enthusiasm of both staff and students. Many students spoke of changing their initial plans as a result of seeing new and exciting subjects.

This year we were one of the first schools to hold our open evening and we feel the number of visitors who passed through our doors illustrates the growing popularity of our sixth form which then enables parents to make direct comparisons between providers.



The energy and expertise of both staff and ambassadors made students realise that if they chose to join us in Year 12 they would be both challenged and supported in The Sixth Form at Bosworth.

Open evenings are crucial with students having a wide choice of provision around Leicestershire for their education at sixth form and we feel that the evening gave those who attended the event an



opportunity to get a real feel for our school.

Mrs Holdback,
Assistant
Headteacher



12-15 year old vaccination programme

We want to let you know that the COVID-19 vaccination date for young people aged 12-15 at Bosworth Academy has changed.

The new date at Bosworth Academy will be on Thursday, 18 November 2021.

Unfortunately the NHS immunisation team have had to postpone some vaccination sessions. We apologise that we have had to do this and understand how disappointing it has been for the young people and parents affected.

To ensure we give the vaccine as quickly and smoothly as possible to all those who are choosing to receive it, the school vaccination programme has been extended to run until the end of November and they have enlisted the support of GPs and community pharmacists who specialise in vaccinations.

All young people with parental consent will be offered the opportunity to be vaccinated. If a young person with consent is unable to attend the school session, because they are unwell or absent on the day, there will be other opportunities for them to have the COVID-19 vaccination.

Please note you do not need to do anything about the consent forms you have already completed – we will keep these on file for the new session date.

Though very few children and young people with COVID-19 infection go on to have severe disease, we are offering the vaccine to help reduce the need to have time off school and to reduce the risk of spread of COVID-19.

NHS staff have worked extremely hard to set up this vaccination programme at speed and we want to thank you and your children for your flexibility and patience as they deliver this programme across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland schools.

In the meantime, if you or your child have any questions about the vaccine, we encourage you to visit the following sites for more information:

Health for Teens - www.healthforteens.co.uk/health/coronavirus/COVID-19-vaccination-information/ Gov.uk

– guidance for parents - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/COVID-19-vaccination-resources-for-schools/COVID-19-vaccination-programme-for-young-people-guidance-for-parents>

You can also watch recordings of the recent COVID-19 question and answer webinars, for parents and young people, on the YouTube channel. The sessions include short presentation from NHS and public health vaccine professionals.

Mrs Holdback,
Assistant Headteacher

Diwali comes to Bosworth Academy on Thursday 4th November 2021

Diwali is celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs and Jains as the beginning of a new year. This year Diwali is on 4th November. The day changes from one year to the next due to the lunar calendar being used. Diwali is story of thousands of year ago when Lord Rama rescued his beloved wife Sita from the clutches of the evil demon, Ravana. This news of the magnificent victory of good over evil spread throughout India and the route of the victorious Lord Rama was lined with lamps of oil (divas) and as much colourful objects as people could find. This is why now, Diwali is called the festival of light – signifying the triumph of the forces of good. We are celebrating Diwali with the following events:

- Cultural clothes/one colourful garment
- Indian food served in the cafeteria
- Music on the bus park
- Divas in classrooms
- Tutor resources
- Assembly

To find out more about Diwali, click on the link below:

<https://www.visitleicester.info/diwali>

Sal Mubarak to everyone, which means 'Happy new year'

Mr Gohil - Science



Literacy Update

KS3 Reading and Accelerated Reader

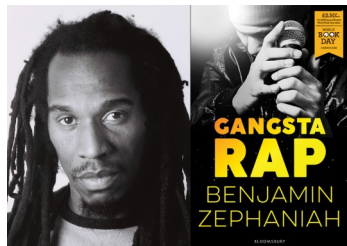


At Basworth, we challenge all our KS3 students to read for 20 minutes a day to accelerate their all important reading fluency. By now, all year 7s and 8s have completed a Star Reading Test which tells them their AR reading level. In addition, all should have read at least one book, and taken an AR quiz on it. We track the results and celebrate success, awarding the coveted AR trophy to the leading AR Tutor Group in each year. Please encourage your children to do their 20 minutes reading every day - it makes a real difference.



Book of the Month:

Gangsta Rap by Benjamin Zephaniah



A fairytale of hip-hop success ...this book gives hope to all, no matter your background, or the negative events that may have happened in your life. It teaches you that you can become anything you put your mind to. All will enjoy this thrilling music fantasy.

Benjamin Zephaniah draws on his own experiences with school and the music business to create a novel that speaks with passion and immediacy about the rap scene. Ray has trouble at home, and he has trouble at school - until he's permanently excluded and ends up sleeping on the floor of a record shop. What happens to a boy like Ray? If he's lucky, maybe

he gets a chance to shine. This is the story of three smart, talented boys who don't fit in. They seem to attract trouble. But they know what they want, and they've got the talent to back it up.



Bedrock Vocabulary Challenge

Our other key literacy routine for KS3 students is Bedrock Vocabulary, an online programme which helps students to improve their confidence in using a range of reading skills as well as vocabulary competency. The focus is on 'Tier 2' high-frequency words - words that can add productively to an individual's language ability.

We thought you'd be interested to see some of the key 'Tier 2' vocabulary that year 7s have been learning this month, and would like to challenge you to use some of these words at home!

The expectation here is to do 4x Bedrock sessions per fortnight: one in tutor time; one in an English lesson and two at home. Please encourage your children to complete their sessions. Again there are prizes and trophies to be won.



Some Year 7 Bedrock words from this month to try using at home:

magnificent, catastrophe, capture, abnormal, fierce, vexed, wrath, incident, teeming, cordial, disorientated, cope, ensue, precarious, teeming, casualty, refuge, gullible, wilderness



A student reports a hate incident to MLT or The Laureates.

Once verified, statements are taken from students involved and any witnesses.

Key Stage Leads Informed

PARENTS OF THOSE INVOLVED ARE INFORMED.

A permanent school record is made, which is passed on to future educational establishments.

Headteacher informed where appropriate.

- 1) Time to Think - Restorative Approach
- 2) Morning Isolation
- 3) Whole Day Isolation: 12-4
- 4) Exclusion

WHAT IS A 'HATE INCIDENT'?

The term 'hate incident' refers to a range of hurtful behaviour, both physical and psychological. It can make a person feel unwelcome, side-lined, excluded, powerless or worthless because of their race, religion, disability, gender or sexuality.

Being a victim of a **hate incident** can leave a person fearful, isolated and vulnerable and can severely undermine their sense of safety in their school.

At Bosworth Academy, we invest so much into ensuring our students are open minded, tolerant and respectful members of our school community and wider society. In collaboration with our Student Diversity Council, we now have revised procedures for reporting hate incidents.

Parents and students can also report incidents using the email: discrimination@bosworthacademy.org.uk

A senior member of staff will then follow any contact made up.



Heads of Year Contact Details

If you have any concerns about your child that can not be sorted with their form tutor or class teacher then please contact their Head of Year.

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WHAT'S FOR LUNCH THIS WEEK?

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
sausage and mash or roast chicken served with peas and gravy	Gammon steak or hunters chicken served with herby diced potatoes and green beans	fajita chicken wrap or spicy beef wrap served with potato wedges and salad	chicken tikka or chicken korma served with rice, samosa and onion bahji	Beef or Chicken burgen in a bun served with potato wedges and mixed leaves
vegan sausage served with mash, garden peas and gravy	cajun quorn fillet served with herby diced potatoes and green beans	vegan fajita wrap served with potato wedges and salad	veg balli served with steamed rice, veg samosa and onion bahji	spicy bean burger in a bun served with potato wedges and mixed leaves
Pasta Bar Jacket Potato & Fillings	Rice Bar Jacket Potato & Fillings	Pasta Bar Jacket Potato & Fillings	Rice Bar Jacket Potato & Fillings	Pasta Bar Jacket Potato & Fillings
NOW OPEN AT SECOND COUNTER	NOW OPEN AT SECOND COUNTER	NOW OPEN AT SECOND COUNTER	NOW OPEN AT SECOND COUNTER	NOW OPEN AT SECOND COUNTER
Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day



Filled Baguettes, Sandwiches, Wraps available Daily

If you would like information on which foods contain allergens please ask a member of the catering team who will be happy to help

Uniform and Hoodies

Please be aware that hoodies are not allowed to be worn in school with our uniform. Students should be bringing in a coat when required. We have raised this many times previously with parents, yet a minority of students are still needing to be challenged about this. Next week if we see students wearing hoodies in school then they will be confiscated. Please remind your child about this. Thank you for your support.



Useful Contacts

Attendance Support

If your child is ill or has a medical appointment and may miss remote learning, please contact:
attendance@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Technology Support

If your child requires any support with IT issues around remote learning then email:
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