

Welcome

10th December 2021

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Weekly Newsletter for Parents & Students

What an action packed penultimate week of term! On Monday, fourteen students travelled to the Sheldonian Theatre (famously designed by Sir Christopher Wren) with Ms Mills and I, to Oxford University.

We were attending an Awards Ceremony as Bosworth Academy was **re-accredited** with the prestigious **World Class Schools Quality Mark**. It was fantastic to visit a world-leading centre of learning - the

historic ceremonial hall of Oxford University. Highlights included a keynote address from Robert Douglas-Fairhurst, Fellow and Tutor in English at Magdalen College, author of *Becoming Dickens* and newly published *The Turning Point*, and an audience with Dan Freedman, author of the best-selling Jamie Johnson series, and inspirational school speaker.



Regardless of any child's background we believe any student can aspire to apply to study a degree at Oxford University. By celebrating the World Class characteristics of our students in this centre of academic excellence we hope to motivate them to go on and achieve their World Class potential. The students attending had been involved in undertaking the challenging World Class assessment process or produced our fantastic video entry in a bid to prove Bosworth Academy students are World Class. The assessment framework assesses the characteristics of

our students across a range of areas including learning, leadership, community and the workplace. The development of these characteristics support students to thrive in an ever changing global economy. Please read our student article about this fabulous achievement.

All week it has been a delight to meet students across each year group who were nominated for a brunch to collect their **Headteacher Award**. Hot chocolate and a danish pastry were enjoyed by students who this half-term had been nominated by tutors for their exceptional hard work, exceptional character and kindness. Every one of them should feel proud of all they have achieved and I hope this success continues through this academic year.

At very short notice I was informed that the **NHS vaccination** teams were returning on Wednesday and Thursday to administer Covid vaccines and flu jabs. Our students behaved exceptionally well during what was quite an anxious time for some of them. If your child was missed for any reason then please visit the NHS website for more details on how to access a vaccine. Please remember that the organisation and running of these vaccinations is not carried out by our school so any questions need to be [directed to Health for Teens](#).

A reminder to all that **school closes for Christmas at 12pm on Friday 17th December**. Learning will continue in lessons right up until period 3 of the final day, Friday when students will be with their tutors for that last lesson of 2021. It is vital that students attend school all week so that they do not miss key learning. On **Tuesday 14th December** we have our Christmas dinner and students may wear a Christmas Jumper or 'bling' up their uniform with tinsel and festive Christmas Head Boppers. Please note that Tuesday is certainly not a non-uniform day. We will be asking for a £1 donation for charity through Squid on Tuesday for students who do get involved.



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We will continue to implement measures within school, in line with the guidance to keep our community safe. With government Plan B measures now beginning we are preparing to correspond with you about the start of January term arrangements. All children need to be tested again on return to school to help reduce transmission after a period of social mixing over the school holidays. You should ensure that you have completed a new consent form for LFD testing unless your child is in year 7 and 12 and you completed one this academic year. **Consent forms from 2020/21 are no longer applicable** from January 2022.

We want to have children back in school as soon after the Christmas break as is safely possible so we are waiting for developments before confirming our decisions.



As our Sixth Form students, **Reme and Jess** said, in our thought provoking and reflective Advent assembly to students this week, "Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone." *With all that is going on at the moment we should learn the true Christmas lesson of thoughtful kindness to those we love and to all we meet in life's busy ways.* Have a great weekend,

Mr Brown
Headteacher



Year 7 Headteacher Brunch invitees



Year 8 Headteacher Brunch invitees



Year 9 Headteacher Brunch invitees



Christmas Dinner

On Tuesday 14th December the canteen will be serving a traditional Christmas lunch alongside a vegetarian option. There will be no other hot food options available.

This will mean there will be no sandwich bar available for cold food so those who do not wish to have Christmas lunch/vegetarian option should bring something from home.

May we wish you and your family a merry Christmas and a relaxing break.

Bosworth Academy Catering Team

The Learning Laboratory

We were visited by 4 visitors from 'The Learning Laboratory' on Friday. They came in to observe 12 lessons and were blown away by what they saw. One of the visitors said she hadn't seen students enjoying learning so much in a long time. Here were some quotes about individual teachers:

Ms Wright - great personalisation

Ms Ridley - phenomenal lesson

Ms Connolly - great relationships and use of subject terminology

Ms Wake - a masterclass

Ms Riozzi - had the students eating out of her hand

Ms Butterfield - great passion and enthusiasm

Ms Hewitt - wonderful lesson

Mr Winterton - created great suspense and student curiosity

Ms Cooksey- powerful use of peer assessment

Mr Grest - great differentiation and independence

Ms Penlington - great use of technology

Ms Smoczynski - great questioning

Mr Claricoates, Assistant Headteacher



Bosworth Christmas Jumper Day

On Tuesday 14th December our students can come into school in their Christmas jumpers. Alternatively some students might want to bling their uniforms with baubles or tinsel.

Students who wish to wear their Christmas jumper or who want to bling their uniform should make a charitable donation of £1.00 through their Squid account. Tuesday is also the day we will be serving our Christmas lunch, so students will be able to enjoy a delicious Christmas meal in their festive outfits.

Mr R Moore, Head of Laureates



End of term finish

On **Friday 17 December 2021** we will be finishing school at **12:00pm**. On this day we will be celebrating the achievements of students and staff in what has been a very challenging term.

Our day will run as follows:

- 08:40 - Tutor time
- 09:00 - Period 1
- 10:00 - Period 2
- 11:00 - Period 3
- 12:00 - End of school.
- Buses depart at 12:10pm.

Please plan child care accordingly.



World Class Student Report

I loved our day in Oxford! It was so beautiful and all the buildings had so much history behind them! It was really inspiring to see the university and students that study there as well as an amazing English lecturer too! The world class ceremony was amazing as well! In the end we have Bosworth to thank for making us into the world class students we are, and taking us along to this inspirational day!
Neely



Outside the Radcliffe Camera, Oxford University



Connor, Samreet and Mayella at Bodleian Library, Oxford University

Oxford was a brilliant place, full of rich history. I loved visiting the place and having a look around it's amazing history. The university itself looks to be a great place with some amazing buildings around. As well as this, there aren't too many cars meaning there isn't nearly as much pollution as in other places. The atmosphere was incredible and everyone we talked to was really nice.

Connor



Ready for our World Class Re-accreditation inside the Sheldonian Theatre, Oxford

Free School Meals Provision Over Christmas

For those currently in receipt of free school meals, the voucher scheme for school holidays will continue to provide the service over the Christmas break.

Many of you will be familiar with the system, but for those who aren't, families will receive an email from Edenred containing an eCode. Once you access the eCode, please follow the instructions which will enable you to convert the code to a voucher for shopping at a supermarket of your choice.

On the last day of term, Friday 17th December, the canteen will not be serving lunches. However, there will be packed lunches available for those students entitled to free school meals, if they have ordered one. All students have received a link to a google form where they can order their food. This needs to be completed by the end of the day on Monday, so please encourage your child to complete this.

If students do not order lunch, we cannot guarantee there will be food available for them.

If your child is **not currently** registered for Free School Meals and you think your family should qualify, please click on the link: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Knockout November

It is vital that all students have excellent attendance at Bosworth Academy. Research shows that even a few days of absence can have a negative impact on students' performance and well-being. Therefore we are pleased to announce the 'Knockout November' 100% attendance winners. Well done for winning the £10 voucher prize draw (covid absence is not included).

Rohan Patel 7SMC
Scarlett Kelly 8VPA
Cole Harris 9LGR
Holly utting 10HBE
Nat Mitchell 11RMC
Rosie Sharpe 12NCH



Student Led Assemblies

We are exceptionally proud of our students this week. All of our assemblies over the past two weeks have been led by our post 16 Students, demonstrating the high levels of student agency. Jess and Reme have led assemblies about the meaning of Christmas and the importance of celebration, reflection and community. Sooma and Kim have delivered a series of assemblies on the importance of empathy in the face of a growing refugee crisis. They have launched the start of a House Competition linked with fundraising for a variety of charities and our journey to becoming a Humanity Heroes School.

Fundraising

As a school, we can help make the community a safer and more welcoming place to people who have fled their homes

A HOUSE COMPETITION:

- WHO CAN RAISE THE MOST?
- WHICH CHARITY WILL YOU DONATE TO?
- WHO WILL HAVE THE MOST CREATIVE WAY OF COLLECTING MONEY?

By becoming a *Humanity Heroes* school, we will receive fundraising ideas, a signed certificate by the CEO of Refugee Action, and are able to write messages of welcome to refugees.



Short Course Winter National Swimming Championships

Last weekend saw two current students and one former student line up in the National Swimming Championships.

Carys O'Reilly, from Year 13 made two finals in the open age group 100 and 200 breaststroke, lining up in the finals against Olympic finalist and former World Champion Molly Renshaw. In both finals Carys finished 10th in the category, making her the 10th fastest female in the UK, a quite staggering achievement and shows the very bright future that Carys has in the sport.

Year 12 student, Macy Norton who, after a long break in training managed to get close to her best after a 6 week return to full training. Macy managed to better the time she swam two weeks ago so showed great progress.

For former student, Sam Munroe, this was his first experience at Nationals but sadly was unwell for the week leading up to the race though he managed to

get close to his personal best which is a fantastic achievement.

Well done to all.

Mr Grest, Curriculum Leader: PE



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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Literacy Update

KS3 Accelerated Reader leaderboard, for the total number of words read by whole tutor groups, up to the end of November:



Year 7

1	7GWR	6,265,418
2	7b2/SMC	3,819,863
3	7GHI	2,928,337
4	7JWI	2,449,233
5	7GDV	1,961,480
6	7b1/EPY	1,919,241
7	7b3/LAR	1,481,568
8	7NHU	1,181,622
9	7JAL	707,083

Year 8

1	8IAH	6,614,029
2	8NRO	3,960,429
3	8b2/VPA	3,750,751
4	8LMI	3,551,083
5	8b1/RGR	3,408,654
6	8HBA	2,623,946
7	8ECK	2,576,552
8	8JMC	2,277,009
9	8b3/EBU	1,920,952

Total number of words read by the whole year groups:

Y7 - 22,713,845

Y8 - 30,731,715

Top 3 individual students:

Y7

1 - Pearl-Ashtami Shah *2,126,387*

2 - Daniel Cassidy *1,174,993*

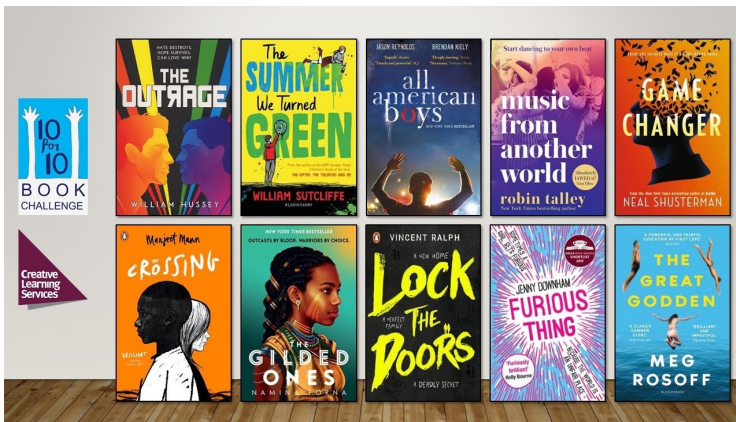
3 - Simreet Thiara *885,363*

Y8

1 - Riley Satchwell *1,954,623*

2 - Torin Howard Davis *1,734,857*

3 - Sayuri Patel *1,496,265*



A group of our lovely year 10 students are taking part in the Leicestershire 10 for 10 Reading Challenge this year. This challenge is organised by the 'Creative Learning Services', and it involves reading the amazing selection of books illustrated here. The students meet as a book group once a week. We discuss the books, and talk about various issues the books deal with. All books are available for any students in our school to borrow from the school library.

Three of our students have already read all 10 books! They have received a certificate and a book prize.

Well done!

Mrs. Griffiths, Librarian



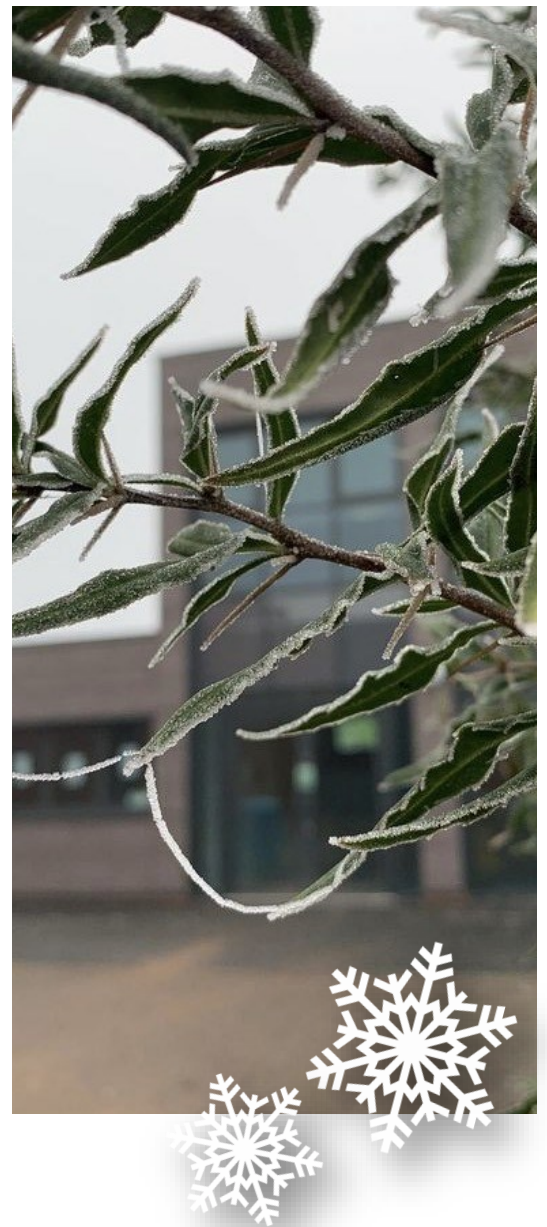
WHAT'S FOR LUNCH THIS WEEK?

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Tikka served with steamed rice and Green Beans Sweet And Sour chicken	Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings vegan and vegetarian options available	Sausage and mash or Chicken and mushroom pie served with steamed Broccoli	Southern Fried Chicken served with potato wedges and Beans Jumbo Sausage	
vegetable Balti served with steamed rice and Green Beans	Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings vegan and vegetarian options available	Herby quorn fillet served with mashed potato and broccoli	Veggie burger served with potato wedges and Beans	
Pasta Bar Jacket Potato & Fillings NOW OPEN AT SECOND COUNTER	sandwich bar closed Christmas dinner only	Pasta Bar Jacket Potato & Fillings NOW OPEN AT SECOND COUNTER	Pasta Bar Jacket Potato & Fillings NOW OPEN AT SECOND COUNTER	



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



Useful Contacts

Attendance Support

If your child is ill or has a medical appointment and may miss remote learning, please contact:
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Technology Support

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