

Welcome

29th April 2022 Weekly Newsletter for parents & Students I hope all of you enjoyed the Easter break and some nice sunny weather too. We have welcomed the return of students and hope for a much brighter summer term in so many ways. It has been an impressive start with students showing great focus in lessons and looking smart for school in their uniforms. There are a minority of children who I would welcome a reminder from parents or carers that hooded tops and tracksuit tops are not to be worn in school, and they are certainly not a replacement for a blazer! Can I also ask that the parents of children who walk to school check that they are leaving home in time to arrive at school for an 8.40 am prompt start.

It was a delight to see some of our students appear on BBC East Midlands today during their participation in a paralympian festival at Loughborough University. Ashden and Jacob showed true 6C skills in 'Communication' during their TV interviews. Well done to all involved! Mathematics is a real strength at Bosworth Academy at key stage 3, 4 and in our Sixth Form. So it was great to see 120 students from year 7 and 8 representing our school in the National Maths Challenge. We are looking forward to hearing how well they have achieved.

This week our year 10 students have started their end of year trial examinations in the examination hall. Though this can seem guite daunting it will make such a positive

difference to the mindset of our students. It provides a great opportunity for learners to find out how well they are achieving and a chance to identify further focus. I would encourage parents and carers to ensure that students are revising carefully as this will really benefit students now and in the future.

GCSEs examinations begin in 2 weeks, and AS/A levels in 3 weeks time. These students have been issued exam timetables this week. It is vital that students don't lose these and carefully plan a revision timetable around this. If you do need any further support or advice please do not hesitate to contact your child's tutor or Head of Year as we will be happy to support you at this crucial time. It is vital that this year students refer to the 'Advanced Information' which we have provided as PLCs (Personalised Learning Checklists) on our website here.

Last weekend it was such a proud moment for all in our community to see our very own Emily Scarratt achieve her 100th cap for England Women's rugby team in their win against Ireland. It made it even more special being played at Welford Road. Emily will now captain England in the Six Nations title decider against France this Saturday Here is the BBC Sport story. Since leaving Bosworth, Emily has frequently returned to inspire our students and share that feedback can improve all areas of performance. Emily says that careful preparation, focused skilled development and a positive mindset make such a difference.





"Practice under pressure" was also the secret to the New Zealand rugby team The All Blacks famous ability to perform under pressure - they have conditioned their brains and bodies to do so. They train under pressured conditions to develop their skills. As James Kerr (coach) says in his great book 'Legacy', 'most people have the will to win; few have the will to prepare to win'. I think this is an important message for us all and particularly for our students completing important examinations now and over the coming weeks.

Have a great weekend. Mr Brown, Headteacher



Paralympic Festival

It was a day to remember for Bosworth Academy students at the schools paralympian festival held at Loughborough University where they met two British paralympians who showed them new skills. Students Tia B, Ashden C, George H S, Jacob H, Dillon M, Daniel M, Janet M and Ruby N were among 300 others from schools across Leicestershire and Rutland participating in social and physical activities.

The school sports festival was organised by Active Together Partners and individual events were led by Tokyo 2021 wheelchair rugby gold medallist, Nick Cummins MBE, and London 2012 judo paralympian, Dan Powell.

Year 8 student, Ashden C, was shown judo moves by Dan Powell and Ashden appeared on BBC East Midlands Today where he told them, "I found it really good. It's amazing. I was absolutely sweating after it but I've learnt so many new things."



Jacob H, a Year 9 student, also spoke with BBC Radio Leicester where he described his first time trying out judo as "really fun and I would love to do it again at some point. I'm also looking forward to trying out wheelchair basketball as it allows people in a wheelchair to participate in a sport



they may not have been able to do before."

Amongst the other activities that the students got to participate in were boccia, new age kurling, badminton and motor activity training.

The event was part of a wider week-long initiative where activities were conducted virtually through the Virtual Together app and on Active Together's website where students could watch interactive videos and gain valuable resources.

Active Together said that the aim of the week was to "promote engagement and participation in Paralympic sport, especially after the success of Tokyo 2020."

The team of Bosworth Academy students were more than willing to learn new skills.

Football Cup Final Day

Next Thursday is cup final day for two of our football teams.

After a hard fought win at Uppingham, the Under 16 Female team made it through to the County final where they will face Thomas Estley Community College. Also, in the U18 Male County final will be our

team playing Wyggeston QE College.

Both finals kick off at 6PM on Thursday 5 May in Market Harborough.

Good luck to both teams.





Emily Caps off Dream Week

What a week it has been for former Bosworth Academy student Emily Scarratt.

The England women's rugby centre made her 100th appearance for the Red Roses in front of a home crowd at Welford Road.

The game against Ireland was the penultimate match in this year's Women Six Nations tournament and England needed to keep momentum up as they



compete with France in the chase for the trophy. England were leading 10-0 at half time and were let loose in the second half to get a comprehensive 69-0 victory.

Emily converted five conversions in the 67 minutes she was on the field and was able to bask in the glorious Leicester sunshine in front of the crowd as she received a commemorative golden cap to mark the occasion. Her parents were also on hand for the proud moment.

The result sets up the Women's Six Nations title



decider against France on Saturday. The week got even better for England's number 13 when the squad was

announced for the weekend's game and Emily was named as captain.

Emily, who also plays for Loughborough Lightning, will lead the team out in front of sell out crowd in Bayonne, France. Kick off is at 2.15PM on Saturday 30 April live on BBC Two.

All of us at Bosworth Academy wish Emily and the rest of the Red Roses team the best of luck.

Junior Maths Challenge

This week saw over 120 Year 7 and 8 students taking part in the Junior Maths Challenge, the annual competition

run by the United Kingdom

Mathematics Trust (UKMT).

Students had 60 minutes to answer 25 multiple choice questions which the UKMT says

"encourages mathematical



reasoning, precision of thought and fluency to solve interesting problems".

The UKMT are now marking the papers and will soon be letting us know the final scores. Certificates will be awarded to students who score 50% or higher with special mentions made to those who get 'Best in Year' and 'Best in School'. The top achievers nationally will go through to the next rounds in June with 10,000 competitors in the Junior Kangaroo and 1,200 in the Junior Olympiad.

Good luck to all those who took part and, in the meantime, why not try answering a couple of questions from this year's Junior Challenge! First question below is worth five marks and the second is worth six marks.

- 1. Today is Thursday. What day will it be in 100 days time?
- A. Tuesday
- B. Wednesday
- C. Thursday
- D. Friday
- E. Saturday

2. The price of a train ticket increased by 5% and then decreased by 20% in a special offer. It was

then £4 less expensive than it's original price. What was the original price of the ticket?



B. £13

C. £20.40

D. £25

E. £26.40





Post 16 Supporting Act

It was great to see our Post 16 students live in action at The Musician this week when they supported Ben P Williams.



Shiv P, Lauren W, Finley L, Chris Y, Lily M, Charlotte K, Caelia G, Ashley P and Reuben C showcased their musical talents as they warmed up the crowd at the venue in Leicester city centre.



Ben P Williams has released three albums since

appearing on the music scene in 2015. The acoustic guitarist still busks on the streets of his hometown Manchester and insists that it is the best place to hone new songs.

It proved great experience for our students to perform .

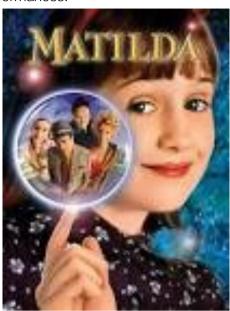


Matilda Tickets On Sale

Rehearsals are now in full swing for Bosworth Productions presents Matilda and you can now buy tickets for our performances.

Tickets can be purchased through Squid and are £7 for adults, £3.50 for children. Our students will be performing on Thursday 30 June and Friday 1 July, both starting at 7.30PM with doors opening at 7.

We look forward to seeing you then for the curtain raiser.



Eid ul-Fitr— 'The Feast of Breaking the Fast'

Eid ul-Fitr is expected to fall on Monday 2nd May this year, subject to sightings of the moon. The moon will not be visible at the same time across the world, so countries will celebrate the occasion over two days. It is also known as 'The Feast of Breaking the Fast' and is celebrated by Muslims worldwide to mark the end of Ramadan.

Next week we will be marking the celebration in tutor time where we can all learn about the preparations for Eid and the celebration of the day itself. Thank you to Miss Hussain for creating our presentation for this week.







New Term Reading Recommendations

Y7 'Bookbuzz' Reading Challenge

A young street urchin befriends a tiger who she can communicate with and vows to help return him to his home land. Fly never meant to end up in a cage with a man-eating tiger. And though she's no princess, when the tiger bows to her, she can't help vowing to free him and return him home.



But the cloud-topped mountains

of the tiger's homeland are an ocean away. And not everyone wants the tiger - or Fly - to get there alive. With dark and dangerous forces working against them, will Fly be able to fulfil her promises, keep them both alive and - just maybe - become the queen her tiger knows her to be?

Y8 'Reading Rampage 2022' Reading Challenge

Strange behaviour amongst the residents of a small town lead three children into a bizarre mystery.

Nancy's parents are acting weird. Their eyes are blank, they won't eatit's like they're no longer themselves. Pete and Krish are obsessed with unexplained phenomena and when they offer to help Nancy investigate,



they're sure they can crack the case. But the deeper the trio dig, the darker the mystery gets.

Crooked Oak is under attack from a dangerous foe, and they're the only ones who can stop it.

Y9 Reading Challenge

A teenage girl with crippling anxiety disorders starts to blossom when she gets to know her brother's best friend.
Audrey can't leave the house.
She can't even take off her dark glasses inside the house.



Then her brother's friend Linus stumbles into her life. With his friendly, orange-slice smile and his funny notes, he starts to entice Audrey out again - well, Starbucks is a start. And with Linus at her side, Audrey feels like she can do the things she'd thought were too scary.

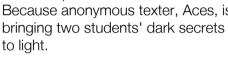
Suddenly, finding her way back to the real world seems achievable.

Be prepared to laugh, dream and hope with Audrey as she learns that even when you feel like you have lost yourself, love can still find you...

Y10 Reading Challenge

Hello, Niveus High. It's me. Who am I? That's not important. All you need to know is... I'm here to divide and conquer. - Aces

Welcome to Niveus Private Academy, where money paves the hallways, and the students are never less than perfect. Until now. Because anonymous texter, Aces, is





Talented musician Devon buries himself in rehearsals, but he can't escape the spotlight when his private photos go public.

Head girl Chiamaka isn't afraid to get what she wants, but soon everyone will know the price she has paid for power. Someone is out to get them both. Someone who holds all the aces. And they're planning much more than a high-school game...

Mrs. Griffiths. Librarian

Covid-19 update

On Tuesday 29 March, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Sajid Javid, set out the next steps for living with COVID-19 in England from Friday 1 April. The guidance now states that young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They may return to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend. Young people aged 18 and under with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days. If your child is unwell for any reason and unable to attend school please contact attendance@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Please note that we are no longer able to issue Covid-19 tests for use at home.



Storyteller hones Year 11 narrative writing skills

All our year 11 students attended a fabulous narrative writing workshop this week with professional storyteller, Mike Payton.



Each workshop included some very engaging story telling from Mike, followed by a range of activities designed to help students to develop their own story telling powers. There were some outstanding contributions from students who shared their ideas for plot lines, interesting descriptive

detail, and realistic dialogue. A mark of how inspiring it was the fact that a number of students went home and wrote a new narrative which they emailed to their teacher before the day was out.

In three week's time, our year 11 cohort will be sitting their first GCSE English Language exam which will challenge them to write the best story of their lives! This workshop was perfectly timed to enthuse everyone for the task and to take their skills to a new level. Students were able to explore their creative side whilst considering exam board criteria for narrative writing, especially the higher order skill of innovating with story structure.

A key message was to write about something that has actually happened to you or your family. Small scale real life anecdotes work much better than fantasy in an exam. To that end, it would be wonderful if you could spend time at home rehearsing and retelling favourite family stories. This will give our students a range of ideas to draw on when they open their exam paper to find the narrative titles for this year. Hopefully, it will also lead to some interesting family conversations along the way.

Mrs Sarkis, English Lead Practitioner



Wellbeing and Safeguarding

Student wellbeing and safeguarding is paramount for us at Bosworth Academy. Students can email in any concerns to:

studentjusttalk@bosworthacademy.org.uk or post worries in our worry box which can be found in Laureates.

Mrs N Whitaker, Designated Senior Lead

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 2 May — Bank Holiday Monday. The school will be closed in observance of this.

Monday 2 May/Tuesday 3 May—Eid ul-Fitr. Sun down to sun down.

Tuesday 3 May—Friday 6 May - Year 10 and Year 12 trial exams.

Thursday 19 May—Year 12 Theatre Studies Component 1 exam.

Monday 30 May—Friday 3 June—Spring half term. School will be closed in observance of this.

Thursday 2 June—Spring bank holiday.

Friday 3 June — Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday.





WHAT'S FOR LUNCH THIS WEEK? Monday Tuecday Wednesday Thursday Friday Hotdog & Onions OFF BANK HOLIDAY Chicken & Mush Pi Pepperoni Pizza Rattered Fish Herby Potato's Herby Potato's Seasoned Wedges Wedges Spaghetti Hoops OFF BANK Steak Sliice Beef Burger Margharitta Pizza Cornish Pasty easoned Potato Wedges Spaghetti Hoops Peas/Salad Gravy OFF BANK HOLIDAY Margharitta Pizza Vegetarian Chilli Cheese & Onion Pasty Veggie Dog Seasoned Potato Herby Potato's Seasoned Potato Wedges Herby Potato's Wedges Spaghetti Hoops Peas/Salad Gravy Dessert Of The Day Dessert Of The Day Dessert Of The Day Dessert Of The Day Dessert Of The Day

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:

ictsupport@bosworthacademy.org.uk or contact

Mr Claricoates, Assistant Headteacher

davec5@bosworthacademy.org.uk

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.

Year 7: Vee Wake

vdebolster@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Year 8: David Mowbray

dmowbray@bosworthacademy.org.uk

KS3 pastoral: Wendy Sessions

wsessions@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Year 9: Lisa Ravel

Iravel@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Year 10: Jenny Duncan/ Dani Clarke jennyj1@bosworthacademy.org.uk

dclarke@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Year 11: Matt Blackmore

matthewb153@bosworthacademy.org.uk

KS4 pastoral: Ben Holloway

bholloway@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Caroline Tallis ctallis@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Nikki Whittaker nwhitaker@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Year 12: Matt Dover

mdover@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Year 13: Chloe Stephenson

chloes3@bosworthacademy.org.uk

KS5: Louise Holdback

louiseh27@bosworthacademv.org.uk

STAY SAFE. STAY WELL



Bosworth Academy, Leicester Lane, Desford, Leicester, LE9 9JL
Tel - 01455 822841 | Email - office@bosworthacademy.org.uk
Website - bosworthacademy.org.uk | Head of School: Simon Brown
Follow us on social media: Twitter . Facebook . Instagram









