

Welcome

3rd February 2023 Thank you for all of your support this week as I am aware that the industrial action on Wednesday will have caused significant disruption to some families. It is with sadness that we reach the point where strike action is taken, though I fully understand that it is due to long term erosion in teacher pay, resulting in real teacher shortages. Though at Bosworth we have specialist teachers in place to deliver our ambitious curriculum it is becoming more difficult every year to recruit great teachers to the profession. We implore the government to look to avert further industrial action and address the key issues in education.

Weekly Newsletter for Parents & Students I'd like to thank all of our students who engaged in remote learning on Wednesday. Teachers have been feeding back to me many examples of high quality, creative work that was produced by many students. Our examination years in school also showed great focus. It was so pleasing to

see our attendance remain so high among Year 11 and our Sixth Form.



A quick reminder to parents and carers that during the February halfterm break and Easter holiday we offer a 'Bosworth Revision Academy' for examination year students. Revision is provided in subjects where we have teachers available. Look out for the email in your inbox with more details about how students can sign-up. Places go fast so please act quickly!

On Tuesday it was amazing to be able to welcome a world rugby legend back to Bosworth Academy. Emily Scarratt, former Bosworth student, spoke about her great achievements and reminisced on her own school days to an audience of students. England star Emily then coached some students on our 3G pitch, offering some great coaching tips. Quite a few autographs were signed too for students, as well as some staff! This is the last opportunity to complete our Parental Feedback Survey - it

will close on Monday morning at 9am. It's really important for us to gather the views from our parents and carers about what is going well in school and what could be even better. I really

appreciate you taking the time to do this as we have had nearly

400 responses so far.

Complete the survey



It should only take you a couple of minutes to complete.

Please click on the 'Complete the Survey' button to provide your feedback. To conclude this week:

"What you leave behind is not what is engraved in stone monuments," said the Greek statesman Pericles, "but what is woven into the lives of others." A reminder to us that our legacy is that which you teach. Have a great weekend,

Mr Brown. Headteacher





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## **Emily Returns to Bosworth**

We were privileged on Tuesday morning to be visited by former student and rugby legend Emily Scarratt who attended Bosworth (in its previous guise as Bosworth College) between 2004-2008.



Staff who taught Emily remember her warmly as being the perfect role model to her peers. Her Character and Citizenship shone through in everything she did, and she expertly managed to combine sporting excellence in a wide range of sports with academic success. The manner in which she spoke and interacted with our students throughout the morning, showed that she has maintained these values and continues to be an inspiration to all.



Emily spoke to a packed audience of A Level PE, Elite Sporting Potential students and our school Rugby teams about her progression from Bosworth student to a career that seen her compete in 4 Rugby World Cup finals (scoring the winning try in one of them), captaining Team GB at the 2016 Rio Olympics as well as gaining over 100 caps for England and being voted as World Player of the Year in 2019. Emily has been described by leading coaches in the rugby world

as having the most complete skill set of any rugby player, male or female, so it was really interesting to hear Emily share with the students how she felt that her love for taking part in a wide range of sports as a child such as tennis, basketball, hockey, football and rounders helped to shape her as a person and ultimately influenced and improved her rugby skills. Our students were able to ask Emily some really thought provoking questions and she happily responded to all of them. It was an amazing opportunity to personally speak to, and gain such insight from, a person who has reached the absolute pinnacle of their profession!

Following the question and answer session

Mr.Gough and some volunteer coaches from Leicester Forest Rugby Club took our Rugby teams onto the 3G pitch and put them through their paces, allowing Emily to move



between pitches to observe and stop the games periodically to offer expert advice and encouragement to the students. Emily herself had her first taste of Rugby at Leicester Forest, so to see this school and club link in action was an absolute joy for all involved!



Before leaving, Emily presented us with one of her England shirts which she wore in the 6 Nations Championship. This will be framed and put on display near the soon-to-be renamed "Emily Scarratt Sports Hall" to help ensure that her legacy continues for generations to come!

Mr Hall, LiFE Senior Leader

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## **February Revision Academy**

During the February Half Term we will be running revision classes for Years 11, 12 and 13 students. Sessions will run 10AM-12PM and 12.30PM-2.30PM.

Students can sign up for the sessions on Squid. A full timetable of sessions can be found below.

	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI
	20th February	21st February	22nd February	23rd February	24th February 🔻
AM 10:00 - 12:00	SHL - GCSE PE MAS - Maths Foundation	RBA Physics FT Paper 2 Combined Science S4	LRA - Drama GCSE Biology FT (CMO)	RBA Chemistry FT Paper 2 Combined Science S4	ECK - Art / Tex EPY Spanish (Speaking and Writing)
					EBU French (Speaking and Writing)
PM 12:30 - 2:30	SHL - GCSE PE Higher Ability. Invites only. MAS - Maths Higher	RBA Physics HT Paper 2 Triple & Combined Science S4	LRA - Drama GCSE Biology HT Combined Science (CMO) GCSE Biology HT Triple Science (CDE)	RBA Chemistry HT Paper 2 Triple & Combined Science S4	ECK - Art / Tex  EPY Spanish (Reading and Listening)  EBU French (Reading and Listening)

#### POST 16

	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
	20th February	21st February	22nd February	23rd February	24th February
AM 10:00 - 12:00	GWR - A level and AS Sociology	AS Physics CCO	A Level Theatre Studies revision and guided rehearsal		A-level Biology (EBO)
PM 12:30 - 2:30	GWR - A level and AS sociology	A Level Physics CCO	A Level Theatre Studies revision and guided rehearsal		AS level Biology (EBO)  A-level Biology (CDE)

## **Exam Contingency Days**

Every year the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ), in collaboration with exam boards, agree on contingency days for each exam season. The contingency day is used in the event of national or significant local disruption to exams in the United Kingdom.

Following the Covid-19 pandemic, further resilience was needed within the exam timetable. A single contingency day was not felt to be sufficient if a national event or incident had a significant effect on the exam timetable. For example, summer exams could be affected by extremely high temperatures, similar to what we faced last summer.

For the June 2023 exam season, the awarding bodies have introduced two additional half-day contingency sessions. These are on Thursday 8 June 2023 and Thursday 15 June 2023. The standard contingency day remains at the end of the timetable being scheduled on Wednesday 28 June 2023.

Candidates must remain available until Wednesday 28 June 2023 should examinations need to be rescheduled.

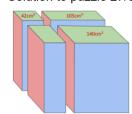
#### Maths Puzzle of the Week

Calling all Bosworth Mathematicians—the weekly Maths puzzle is here.

Anyone can enter, all you need to do is to write your solution and any working on a piece of paper and place it in the labelled blue boxes outside the Maths office with your name on or email a photo to hbarrowcliffe@bosworthacademy.org.uk.

Below is the answer to last week's conundrum as well as this week's puzzle.

#### Solution to puzzle 27/01/23



I love how many different ways there are to solve this puzzle. One method is to first work out the height of the cube and then find the missing volume afterwards.

Because all the edge lengths are integers we can try to find a number which is a factor of 42cm<sup>3</sup>, 105cm<sup>3</sup> and 140cm<sup>3</sup>

Volume (cm³)	Possible edge lengths (cm)
42	<b>1</b> , 2, 3, 6, <b>7</b> , 14, 21, 42
105	<b>1</b> , 3, 5, <b>7</b> , 15, 21, 35, 105
140	1, 2, 4, 5, <b>7</b> , 10, 14, 20, 28, 35, 70, 140

You can see in the table above that the only lengths which can be an edge for all three cuboids are 1cm and 7cm. The cube length cannot be 1cm, so the cube must be 7cm x 7cm x 7cm in size.

We can now find the volume of the cube: 7 x 7 x 7 = 343cm<sup>3</sup>. Subtracting the three known volum will give us the volume of the remaining cuboid: 343 - 42 - 105 - 140 = 56cm<sup>3</sup>

## **Bosworth Maths** Puzzle of the Week

Bob lives at the bottom of a really steep hill. Unfortunately, the post office is at the top and Bob has to post a package.

He can only walk at 2km/h uphill but can manage 4km/h downhill.

The round trip takes him 4½ hours (excluding the wait at the post office)

How many kilometres is Bob's house from the post office?



#### **Co-Curricular Activities**

Bosworth Academy now has a great range of co-curricular activities for students to participate in during break and lunch periods. A full time table of





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We look forward to seeing you!

#### **Year 11 Prom**

We are excited to launch the Class of 2023 Year 11 Prom. This will be held at King Power Stadium Wednesday 28 June 7pm - 10.30pm. The cost of the ticket is £39. This includes a hot buffet dinner.



This is an event that will celebrate students' time and achievements at Bosworth Academy over the last five years. The event will be organised by students, with support from staff. Many students have shown a keen interest in helping which we are very pleased to see. We would like as many students to attend this event

as it is a time for us to celebrate their time at Bosworth Academy. However, it is essential that students who attend the Prom consistently meet our high expectations.

Expectations for students:

- Focus and hard work in lessons
- Work together with staff to help them achieve their very best
- Adhering to the uniform policy
- Excellent 'role modelling' behaviour around the school outside of lessons
- Excellent conduct during exams
- Excellent attendance

During this important year of GCSEs it is not expected that students will negatively impact the learning of other students or take up important teacher time to the detriment of those 'doing the right thing'. Therefore, it is vitally important that all students meet our values, learning and behaviour expectations over the next few months to be awarded the privilege to attend. These expectations will be formalised in a 'Prom Passport' which students need to achieve in order to access the prom. Details of this will be shared with students and parents in the coming weeks. On the night of the Prom, admission will be by ticket only and any student who arrives without their ticket will be refused admission. If you would like to purchase a ticket for your child please complete the Google Form and sign the statement at the end of the form which confirms that you have read and understood the conditions outlined in this letter. Payment of the deposit can be found on Squid by searching the offers for 'Year 11 Prom deposit 2023'. If you would rather pay in full you will need to pay the deposit first and then search the offers for 'Year 11 Prom balance 2023'. Mrs Duncan, Head of Year 11

#### **Student Council**

This week students have had assemblies which have launched our plans for a new School Council.



We want a school council so we can:

- Listen to ALL of our students so they feel empowered and valued members of the school community
- Work with students to help make positive and impactful changes
- Show students they are important to us and their opinions matter
- By working together we can do amazing things!

Each year group will have their own council where each tutor group will be represented by two students - the Lead Council Rep and the Deputy Council Rep.

Lead Council Rep will:

- Share the agenda (talking points) before the meeting.
- Gather other people's thoughts and opinions.
- Attend the council meetings to share the feedback.

Deputy Council Rep will:

- Take notes about what the tutor group say when the agenda is shared.
- Attend the council meetings to share the feedback.













During tutor time students have started applying to be their tutor reps. By Friday 10 February all tutor groups will have two student reps in place ready for the first School Council meeting which will take place week commencing 13 February.

This is an exciting time for us all.

Please encourage your child to get involved so they can make a real difference.

Mrs Kirkham



#### **Film Scenes Winners**

Thank you for voting in our Facebook competition for the Year 7 Henrichment film scene designs.

The winners are: 1ST Jamie A, 2ND Sienna C and Kayleigh W, 3RD Freya T and Lexi O.

This week we ask you to judge the following **Year 8** designs by voting <u>here</u> and liking the picture you prefer.

We will run the competition until Wednesday 8 February.

Miss Sessions, HLTA















## **Internet Safety Day Session**

Please see below details of a 'Online safety advice for parents' session scheduled on the **7 February 2023 – 7pm to 8pm**, which will be delivered by the Regional Cyber Crime Unit within the East Midlands Special Operations Unit.

The link to the sign up page is here: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-safety-advice-for-parents-safer-internet-day-tickets-511593388597">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-safety-advice-for-parents-safer-internet-day-tickets-511593388597</a>



This webinar will go over some of the issues parents may be concerned about such as social media safety, online gaming and discussing your child's online activities with them.

It will mainly try to educate parents on how they can better protect their children from becoming victims of cybercrime and fraud by following National Cyber Security Centre approved advice. Mrs Whitaker, Designated Safeguarding Lead

## Why Higher Education?

During tutor intervention on Wednesday Year 12 students received a talk from De Montfort University's Faye Wickham.



Faye discussed the opportunities that are available to students who wish to attend university—being able to explore a chosen subject at degree level whilst also developing socially by joining a club or getting to know people from different backgrounds.

Students were advised to think about their options after completing Post 16 and Head of Year 12 Miss Woolley explained that after the Easter break focus will turn to personal statements.

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#### **KS3 Badminton Success**

Congratulations to the Key Stage Three badminton team who won the Hinckley and Bosworth School Sport & Physical Activity Network tournament on Tuesday at Brookvale Groby Learning Campus.

Mr Grest, Head of PE



#### GCSE PE Practical Exams

Year 11 GCSE PE students will have their final practical exams week beginning 13 February. Each student will be given a personalised timetable with their sessions on them. Please remind your child to bring the correct kit and any extra equipment that they may need e.g. swimming goggles, football boots etc.

There are extra practice sessions going on every day in the lead up to these exams. If you would like to know more information about your child's practical exams, please email Miss Hall on <a href="mailto:shall6@bosworthacademy.org.uk">shall6@bosworthacademy.org.uk</a>



#### **Double 2nd For Jake**

Former student Jake Dennis secured two second -placed finishes in the recent rounds of the Formula E World Championship in Saudi Arabia.

In both races Jake recovered from a low grid spot (11th and 6th) and drove through the field to finish twice behind winner Pascal Wehrlein. Race highlights can be viewed here.

Jake is now second in the championship with 62 points, six behind Wehrlein.



Racing begins again around the streets of Hyderabad in India for round four on Saturday 11 February between 9.33AM and 11AM.

## **Pilot Theatre Workshop**

Year 9 and 10 GCSE Drama students had the opportunity to work with Oliver O'Shea, Creative Associate for Pilot Theatre Company, in a workshop that was centred around their set text - Noughts & Crosses.





This experience allowed students to delve deeper into the play, exploring characters from a more practical perspective, considering the themes that influence the way characters act as well as analysing scenes within the text.

Mrs Jones, Teacher of Drama





# The Compass

#### Virtual Author Talk

On Tuesday some of our Year 7 students had an opportunity to join a virtual author event. This was organised by the Creative Learning Services as part of the 7 for 7 Diverse voices reading challenge, which they run for Leicestershire schools and we are taking part in.



The author was A.M. Dassu, our local Leicester author, who talked about how she got into writing and also about her books, particularly the Fight back, which is the 7 for 7 diverse book that some of our students have been reading.

Students really enjoyed the talk and hopefully will be inspired to read the books talked about, which are available to borrow from the school library.

Mrs Griffiths, Librarian

### Latest AR Leaderboards

Our Laureates continue to increase their literacy by reading and completing Accelerated Reader (AR) book guizzes.

We now have 12 'Word millionaires' (students who have read over one million words) in Year 7 and four in Year 8. Well done to the highest readers Alesha M, Jonathan R, Myat L, Kiera K, Sienna B, Elijah W, Pearl-Ashtami S, Zoe C, Jakub C and Ellie M!

7ECK lead the way for words read in Year 7 in January and year to date whilst 8GWR leads the way in both the month of January and year to date. Full AR leader boards can be found opposite. Well done to all students and continue reading!

## **January AR Leaderboard**

1	7ECK	3,651,482	1	8GWR	1,702,024
2	7b2/	1,993,385	2	8b1/SRI	1,372,128
3	7SMC	1,694,712	3	8NHU	1,270,075
4	7MEM	1,673,721	4	8PGO	1,268,063
5	7b3/ DCR	1,663,457	5	8GMU	959,735
6	7JWI	1,522,204	6	8b2/ TNM	619,801
7	7LMA	1,488,695	7	8b3/	570,467
8	7GHI	1,336,307	8	8JAL	350,493
9	7b1/ EPY	1,206,665	9	8JST	257,879
Tota Gro	al Year up	16,230,628		otal Year roup	8,370,665

#### Year to Date AR Leaderboard

1	7ECK	8,879,582
2	7b1/ EPY	7,865,506
3	7b2/ GDV	7,711,724
4	7b1/ EPY	7,069,196
5	7MEM	6,611,353
6	7SMC	5,256,975
7	7b3/ DCR	4,350,933
8	7GHI	3,889,944
9	7LMA	3,662,577

1	8GWR	6,864,138
2	8PGO	5,866,716
3	8b3/ LAR	5,234,516
4	8b1/SRI	3,874,234
5	8NHU	3,289,358
6	8b2/ TNM	2,706,058
7	8JAL	2,379,910
8	8GMU	1,949,420
9	8JST	622,329

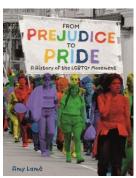
<b>Total Year</b>	55,297,790	Total Year	32,786,679
Group	55,297,790	Group	32,700,079



#### **Book Recommendations**

The month of February is <u>LGBTQ+ History Month</u> and The Compass is celebrating with book recommendations for Key Stage Three and Four. Remember—book clubs for Years 7-9 are held every Friday at break time in the Compass. **Mrs Griffiths, Librarian** 

#### **Key Stage Three**



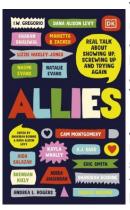
Follows the history of the LGBTQ+ movement and it's achievements in campaigning for equal rights.

This book will inspire courage and pride in young LGBTQ+ people and help answer questions for all readers interested in gender and identity. Follow LGBTQ+ history from

ancient civilisations to the present-day.

Gain insight into the shifting attitudes that have challenged lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people and the experiences that help us understand what it means to be LGBTQ+ today.

#### **Key Stage Four**



True stories about understanding what being an ally is, and using that knowledge to improving being an ally to friends and strangers. This book is for everyone. Because we can all be allies. As an ally you use your power no matter how big or small - to support others. You learn, and try, and mess up, and try harder. In these true stories, 17 bestselling YA authors get real

about being an ally, needing an ally, and showing up for friends and strangers.

From raw stories of racism and invisible disability to powerful moments of passing the mic, these authors share their truths. They invite you to think about your choices and how to be a better ally. There are no easy answers, but this book helps you ask better questions. Self-reflection prompts, resources, journaling ideas, and further reading suggestions help you find out what you can do. Because we're all in this together. And we all need allies.

### **Dates For Your Diary**

DATES	EVENT
Monday 20 —	Spring Half Term
Friday 24 February	School closed
Wednesday 22—	Y12 Geography
Friday 24 March	Yorkshire residential trip
Wednesday 22 —	Production of Grease
Friday 24 March	7.30PM start
Friday 31 March	Last day of Spring Term
Monday 17 April	First day of Summer Term
Thursday 20 April	'Drive Your Plough'
	Drama Trip
Monday 1 May	Bank Holiday
	School closed
Monday 8 May	Coronation Bank Holiday
	School closed
Monday 29 May-	Summer Half Term
Friday 2 June	School closed

Full term dates can be accessed here.

## **Job Opportunity**

If you would like to join our team, please see the latest vacancy below:

• Teacher of Mathematics
The deadline is Tuesday 28 February 2023
at 10AM.

For more information please contact Mrs Carly Harper, Support Staff/HR Lead on 01455 822841 Ext. 227 or click here.



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#### Read All About It!

Want to look up an old article? Our most recent newsletters are available here for you to access. You can also navigate to this page from Bosworth Academy's homepage by selecting the Parents tab-scroll down to Newsletters and click on any of the back issues.

## **Covid-19 Update**

Those aged 18 and under with a positive COVID-19 test result are advised try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days. We are no longer able to issue Covid-19 tests for use at home. More details are listed here.

## **Important 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 pastoral team.

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