

Welcome

17th November 2023 This week saw the routine inspection of our school by a team of five Ofsted inspectors. We had been expecting a visit, due to take place within 1-2 years of our previous one. I'd like to thank all parents, carers and guardians who completed the 'Ofsted Parent View' survey. Your responses were overwhelmingly positive about the learning and support your child is provided at our school. As ever, we will look to address the few points raised where parents provided constructive feedback.

Weekly Newsletter for Parents & Students The inspection team, accompanied by senior or curriculum leaders, visited a large number of lessons. So many excellent and engaging lessons were seen right across school. The inspection team were impressed by student behaviour in lessons and around the school. Inspectors commented on how well students self-regulate their behaviour in narrow corridors, outside spaces and in the canteen. Students were articulate and polite in meetings, showing such pride in their school. In the classes I visited I was delighted to see students exhibiting a range of knowledge, skills and the dispositions learners need to thrive in life and learning. So many individuals were taking ownership of their own learning. The outcome of the inspection now goes through quality assurance and may not be published for around four weeks. We will share this report when it is received.



It was lovely to reward students from across all year groups yesterday for their achievements in the global competency, Critical Thinking. Students who had received the most positive points in this area joined us for a celebratory brunch in the canteen. Well done to all those students recognised. I continue to be impressed, as do our parents, by the multitude of extra-curricular activities open to our students. To name only a few; this week students planted dozens of trees donated to us by the Woodland Trust. played games in 'Calm Space Club', built roller coasters in Year 7 and 8 'Science Club', acted as 'Sports Leaders' for a Primary School basketball tournament, and worked in our lunchtime 'Greenhouse and

Allotment club. As well as this, we saw hundreds of students across the week join our Leicester City coach, Gary, on the 3G pitch at break/lunch, or many joined our legendary Basketball coach, Igor, on our outdoor basketball pitches.

With the weather cooling please remind your children in Years 9, 10, 11, that they must come to school in their blazer. Coats should not be worn in place of a school blazer and a reminder that hoodies are not permitted. As the weather gets colder I would encourage all students to be bringing in a warm,

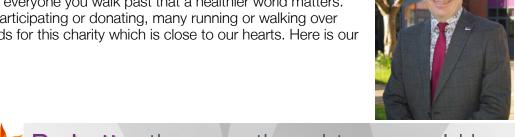
waterproof coat.

It's great to see a number of staff and some Sixth Formers growing a moustache for Movember. A 'Mo' is like wearing a symbol representing healthier men and a healthier world, all November long. It tells everyone you walk past that a healthier world matters. Thank you to everyone who is participating or donating, many running or walking over 60km in November, to raise funds for this charity which is close to our hearts. Here is our link to TeamBosworth.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Brown

Headteacher



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Woodland Trust Trees

Last week Bosworth Academy received 315 young trees donated by the charity the Woodland Trust in celebration of the King's coronation this year.



These saplings are being planted near the 3G pitch and the Dome car park. So far two of Mr Claricoates' classes have planted the first 100 trees.



As they grow they will provide flowers, seeds and berries to feed the wildlife, attractive spring blossoms. autumn colours, and will gradually help combat the effects of climate change.





Anti Bullying Week

This week is Anti Bullying Week and, as part of the LiFE MAT, Bosworth Academy are <u>making a noise</u> about Anti Bullying.

Across the trust we are working together to stop bullying. We will always support and respond to bullying whenever it is reported to us.



If you have experienced any kind of bullying or

unkind behaviour, please use this <u>form</u> to report the issue. This includes incidents in lesson time, in social time, online or outside of school.

Hear it, see it, report it!

You can also discuss any concerns by emailing Student Support at:

studentjusttalk@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Mrs Whitaker, Designated Safeguarding Lead

6C Celebration

Thursday morning saw us celebrate the hard work of students across the Academy who have earned the most Critical Thinking reward points in the last two weeks.



Students enjoyed hot chocolate and pastries which were kindly served by teaching staff. Well done to all students and we look forward to the

next 6C Celebration morning.



Children in Need 2023



Friday was Children in Need Day at Bosworth Academy where we invited students to swap out an item of uniform in return for donating £1 to BBC Children in Need.

Students also hosted a cake sale including

homemade treats. A total of £310.21 was raised from the bake sale alone!

Thank you to those who have donated this year to such a worthy cause.





Year 11 Trial Exam Results

Our Year 11 students will get the chance to discover their trial exam results in a specially dedicated evening on **Thursday 7 December.** Times will be confirmed shortly.

Mr Worn, Head of Key Stage Four

Splendid Theatre Company

What a simply splendid workshop! Our GCSE and A-Level students engaged in a workshop with Actor/Deviser Gen from Splendid Theatre Company.





This was a fantastic opportunity for our students to work with professionals from the Performing Arts profession and expand their skillset beyond the classroom and outside of the exam framework. Mrs Jones and Mrs Milner were proud of the enthusiasm and engagement demonstrated by all of our fantastic Drama students and their commitment to taking artistic risks in order to develop their skills.

This enriching activity will undoubtedly help all students with their exam work - well done!

Mrs Jones, Teacher of Drama

Arbor Parent App

The Arbor Parent App is a useful tool that can help you keep track of your child's progress. The app provides you access to their most recent report, behaviour and attendance tracking and also allows you to easily update us on any changes we may need to know about. Learn more about the app and how to download it on to your device by visiting https://www.bosworthacademy.org.uk/arbor/



Roller Coasters

This week in Year 7 and 8 Science clubs we looked at energy transfers and how these apply to





We then made model roller coasters using pipe lagging and marbles. Students made some really impressive and creative roller coasters which had loops and covered multiple tables.

Year 7 Science Club is Tuesday week 1, 12.35 in S6 and Year 8 science club is Wednesday week 1, 13.35 in S2.

Mrs Tapp, Teacher of Science

Lunch & Afterschool Clubs

We now have a wide range of clubs for students to participate in during lunchtimes and after school.

For a full timetable please click here.

As a reminder, transport will not be provided for after school clubs.







Year 7 Calm Space

We will be having a Calm Space for Year 7 students in room P2 on Friday breaks between 12.35-13.10.

The aim is to create a safe space for Year 7 students to relax and have a place to unwind. There will be two Year 11 students Lauren and Kay along with Mrs Milner to supervise.

What can you do?

- Colouring
- Card games
- Read a book
- Play games on your iPad
- Just sit and recharge

What card games will there be?

- Dobble
- Uno Flip
- Harry Potter Trivial **Pursuit**

Would You Rather?

Mrs Coulson, Associate SLT



MFL Learning Journey

Further to the message in the 8th September edition of In the Loop we are in the process of updating our Curriculum webpage to contain our learning journeys for each subject.

This week we feature the MFL department's

Curriculum Journey for a student's time at Bosworth Academy. Please follow this link for more details.

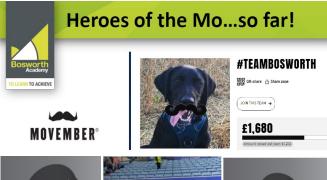
Mr Claricoates. Assistant Headteacher





Movember 2023 Update

Thank you to all staff, students and parents who have engaged in our Movember 2023 campaign. So far we have raised an amazing £1680, now surpassing last year's total.









We have some fantastic stories of what students are doing. Ben H (Y8) and Alfie F (Y7) are going to be completing a 60km bike ride. Josh in Y9 is 'growing' and 'moving' in support of a family member who has battled cancer themselves. Nathan and Charlie, two students in Y12 are planning to run 60km next weekend at Rutland Water which will be quite remarkable achievement - this is the equivalent to a marathon and a half - marathon back to back. We wish the lads well in the last week of their training and next week's run. It's not too late to get involved if you still wish. Please follow the <u>link</u> and join us in raising money and awareness of this great campaign.

Mr Grest, Associate SLT

Year 10 Football

Our Year 10 boys football team unfortunately missed out on the opportunity to represent Hinckley and Bosworth in further competitions after losing in a penalty shoot out to Redmoor School.

Well done to Dan, Aaron, Corey, Taylor, Canjo and Dec who showed citizenship and character by stepping up to take penalties.

Miss Hall, Teacher of PE

HBSSPAN Helpers

This week we had six Bosworth
Academy students assist us in a
HBSSPAN Year 5 and 6 basketball primary tournament.
Students Thanbani K, Delani K, Thulani K, Danilo P, Abide S and



Tyler M took part in facilitating the tournament which saw six teams from five primary schools participate. The event saw Desford Primary A team & Barlestone Primary both qualify for our area final in January.

Well done to all students involved.

Gareth Bell. HBSSPAN Officer

Bedrock Winners

Well done to tutor groups 7JWI and 8CDE for showing great literacy skills in this month's Bedrock to claim the trophy.

Who will get the trophy next month? Miss Masih, Teacher of English







Maths Puzzle of the Week

Last Week's Answer: 30

The repeated letters make this puzzle more difficult than some other permutation puzzles. However it is not too difficult to use brute force and just write down all the possibilities in alphabetical order (as shown below) and you find that there are 30 of them,

AALLM	ALLMA	LAALM
AALML	ALMAL	LAAML
AAMLL	ALMLA	LALAM
ALALM	AMALL	LALMA
ALAML	AMLAL	LAMAL
ALLAM	AMLLA	LAMLA

LLAAM	MAALL
LLAMA	MALAL
LLMAA	MALLA
LMAAL	MLAAL
LMALA	MLALA
LMLAA	MLLAA

This Week's Puzzle: How many potatoes?

Eve has 2 sacks of potatoes. She labels them bag S and bag P.





After she sold 44 potatoes from Bag S, the number of potatoes in Bag P was 5/7 of the number of potatoes in Bag S.

Originally there were 2/5 as many potatoes in Bag P as in Bag S.

How many potatoes does Eve have in Baq P?

Extension: Can you come up with two different fractions that would make the puzzle impossible?

Teacher Feature

This week in our Teacher Feature we focus on Mrs Nassir who is currently training to be a Science teacher and has completed eight weeks so far of her placement at Bosworth Academy.

"My initial impression of Bosworth was highly positive. The welcoming environment and friendly staff created a warm and inviting atmosphere. The genuine friendliness of the staff members contributed to a sense of inclusivity, making the overall experience very pleasant," said Mrs Nassir. "I feel exceptionally supported by the Science department and the broader team. The collaborative and cooperative atmosphere within the Science department has been instrumental in fostering a strong sense of support.

"Colleagues are always willing to share knowledge. provide assistance, and collaborate on various projects. This collaborative spirit extends beyond the Science department, encompassing the wider team, which has created a positive and encouraging work environment. Regular communication, shared



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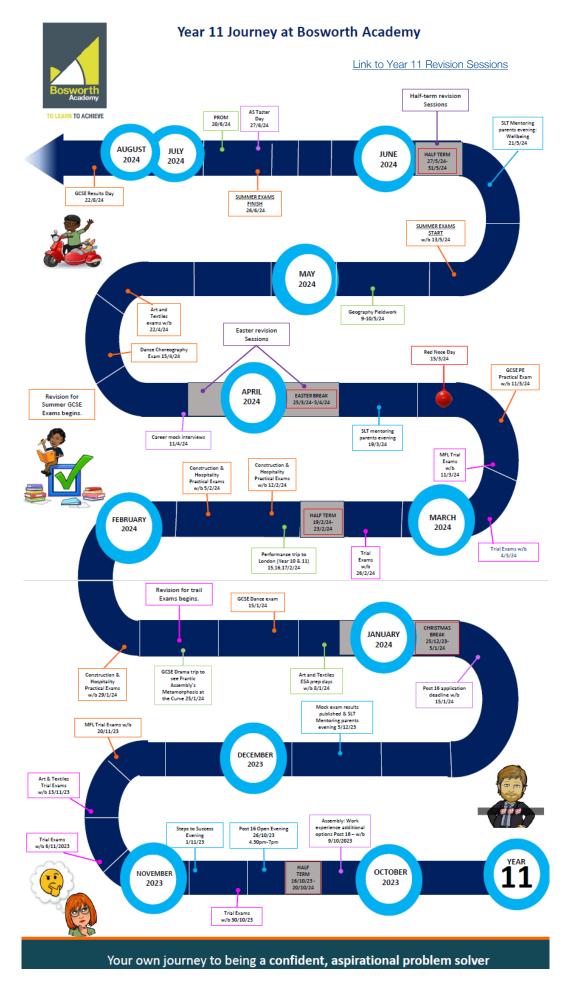
resources, and a collective commitment to each other's success contribute to a robust support system that enhances both personal and professional growth. Overall, the support I receive from both the Science department and the wider team has played a pivotal role in my confidence and effectiveness in my role," Mrs Nassir said.

Mrs Nassirl wants to be a Science teacher because "I am passionate about fostering curiosity and a love for learning within students. Science is a subject that allows for hands-on exploration, critical thinking, and problem-solving, and I believe it plays a crucial role in shaping students into informed and engaged individuals.

"By being a Science teacher, I aim to inspire a sense of wonder about the natural world, encourage scientific inquiry, and equip students with the skills they need to succeed in a rapidly advancing world." Mrs Nassir said.

During the placement Mrs Nassir has gained valuable insights and experiences that have "significantly contributed to my professional development" including key learnings in: classroom management skills, differentiation strategies, collaboration, and building positive student-teacher relationships.









What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

WHAT ARE THE RISKS? Smart TVs connect to the internet without the need for a set-top box or streaming device, letting users access a range of features through the TV set itself: from on-demand content apps like BBC iPlayer to streaming services such as Netflix, as well connecting to smartphones and other wireless devices. Most new televisions are internet enabled – so whether you're thinking of upgrading your home viewing system or buying an additional TV for your child's room, it's now even more important to consider the online safety aspects.

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE

INCREASED SCREEN TIME

REMOTE-CONTROL RETAIL

UNCONVINCING SECURITY

A SILENT SPY?

HELLO

Advice for Parents & Carers

MAKE IT A FAMILY THING

SET UP PARENTAL CONTROLS

CREATE CHILD PROFILES

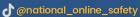
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The Compass

Year 8 Booktalking Sessions

This week we had lots of exciting new book recommendations for our Year 8 students!







On Monday 13 November and Wednesday 15 November, we had booktalking sessions for our Year 8 students in our school library. Booktalking sessions are aimed at promoting reading for pleasure and enthusing our students about books they might not have come across before. We welcomed two librarians from Creative Learning Services (@MidlandsCLS https:// www.creativelearningservices.org.uk/about-us/);

Claire and Marissa, who delivered these sessions for us. They selected 12 books to talk about to each group and read some extracts from them. We had six sessions, so there were over 70 book recommendations for our Year 8 students! All booktalked books are available to borrow from the school library and many of the students present for the sessions have already taken advantage of this.

Mrs Griffiths, Librarian

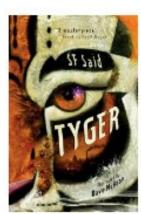
Book Recommendations

There's a new craze at Dread Wood High. Flinch is a game of fear. The more you scare your friends, the more points on the app you get. At first it's fun, but soon fun is replaced by fear. And Angelo and his friends notice that everyone is behaving more and more strangely every day - almost as if something is taking over their brains...



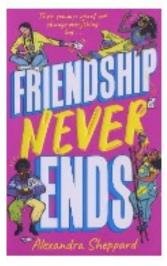
With the fair arriving in town, adrenaline and excitement levels are high. But who are the people behind the super-creepy clown masks? With fights breaking out and Flinch in full force, it's time for the final showdown at the Fear Ground. Let the REAL games begin!

Set in a strange alternative world the story follows a boy called Adam who finds a mysterious, mythical, magical animal in the most unlikely place. He is changed irrevocably by the incredible adventure that follows.



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Sunita, Dawn, May and Gifty have been best friends since primary school. They've spent every summer together since then, but now, in the summer before Year 10. they are about to be apart for six whole weeks. After a disastrous and embarrassing end-ofterm party, they've realised they need to use their summer to grow up... fast!

As they vow to stay in touch, each of them must learn to reconcile their unique sparks, quirks and passions with the heavy expectations and pressures that come with being a teenage girl. By the time they reunite, they know they'll be changed by this summer. But will growing up force them apart? Or can they come back closer to each other... and their true selves? Funny, relatable and heart-warming, get ready to laugh, cringe and cry with these four besties!



Dates For Your Diary

DATES	EVENT
Thursday 23 November	The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe trip. Y9-13
Friday 1 December	Disaggregated Day School closed
Monday 4 - Thursday 7 December	Post 16 Paris Trip
Tuesday 12 December	Parents Evening Y11-13
Friday 22 December	End of Autumn 2023 term
Monday 8 January 2024	Spring 2024 term starts

We can now confirm the term dates for 2024-25 academic year which can be found below:

- Term Dates 2023-24
- Term Dates 2024-25

Teach for LiFE

We have some exciting news coming your way about Teach For LiFE! Stay tuned for more details.



Be sure to check our webpage for more

information on how you can train to be the next generation of teachers.

Mrs Sterne, LiFE MAT Coordinator for ITT / ECT

Job Opportunities

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

- Cleaning
 Operative (AM)
- Cleaning
 Operative (PM)
 For more information
 please click here.



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Read All About It!

Want to look up an old article? Our most recent In the Loop newsletters are available here for you to access.

We also have specialised newsletters to keep you updated. Click the links to find the latest issues of:

- Careers Newsletter
- The Oaks Newsletter



Important Contact Details

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Anti-Bullying Form: Report here

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