

Welcome

22nd November 2024 A heartfelt thank you to everyone in our community who has generously contributed to this year's Movember fundraising efforts. This cause is incredibly important to us, as it raises vital awareness around mental health, prostate and testicular cancer, and suicide prevention. We are proud to share that, thanks to the support of our

I'm taking part by growing a 'handlebar' style moustache (as suggested by our

Weekly Newsletter for Parents & Carers students and staff, we are on track to be one of the top 10 fundraising schools in the UK this year!

students—thank you for the great idea!) and running



160km throughout November. While this is certainly a challenge for me, it pales in comparison to the ambitious goals set by our students, whose determination and spirit continue to inspire us all. Thank you again for your support in making a real difference! Follow this link to help our team to achieve their goals...... On Wednesday morning, we kicked off the day with a delicious celebration to recognise the hard

work of our Year 11 students as they completed their first set of trial exams. Hot chocolate and croissants were served during tutor time, creating an uplifting atmosphere. The students were truly grateful for this thoughtful gesture, organised by their Head of Year, Mrs. Jones, and Key Stage 4 Leader, Mr. Worn. I don't think I've ever handed out over 200 hot chocolates before—it was a record-breaking morning! A big thank you to everyone involved, and of course our catering team, for making this a memorable start to the day!

This week and next, senior leaders are visiting Year 7 lessons to observe students' focus, engagement, and commitment to challenging themselves to be "better than you thought you could be." At Bosworth Academy, we have high expectations, and it is essential that students remain fully engaged in every lesson. Next week, Year 7 and 8 students will be showcasing their work at our REAL LiFE Exhibition events. Please ensure you attend on your assigned evening to celebrate your child's

> achievements and experience the wide range of learning happening across the curriculum by our Laureates.

And finally, the quote, "No one has ever become poor by giving," by Anne Frank, highlights the idea that generosity doesn't diminish our well-being - it enriches us in other ways. When linked to our fundraising efforts, it reminds both students and parents/carers that by contributing to a cause, whether through time, effort, or donations, we are not losing something, but instead gaining a deeper sense of purpose, community, and compassion. Enjoy your weekend,

Mr Brown, Headteacher



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Real LiFE Exhibition

Next week we will be hosting our Real LiFE Exhibition where students from Years 7 and 8 will be able to show parents/carers the work they have been doing in their Real LiFE missions.



We ran our first Real LiFE Exhibition last year to great success and we are looking forward to this year's event which will be held **4.30-5.30pm** across the three days of **Monday 25**, **Tuesday 26 and Thursday 28 November**.

Please check the timetable below for your child's tutor group.

25th November	26th November	28th November
MSL8	7JWI	7GWR
8GMU	7RPI	7EPY
8RGR	7SRI	7RWT
8HCH	7HBA	8RWA
8GHI	7JGR	8LMA
8STH	7SMC	8MDY

Students will need to go home at the end of the school day and return with you for the exhibition. They will act as your guide so ensure they bring their iPad with them to show you a slideshow and at least one piece of their work.

We look forward to seeing you at the exhibition and showing you the hard work students have done in their Real LiFE missions.

Mrs Wright, Real LiFE Curriculum Lead

School Closure

Bosworth Academy will be closed on Friday 29 November 2024 as the whole of the LiFE Multi Academy Trust has a disaggregated training day. The school will reopen on Monday 2nd December at 8.40am.

HBSSPAN Sports Leaders

This week we had six sports leaders support our

primary school events across two different sports.

On Tuesday we held a primary basketball Year 5&6 tournament where three students refereed lots of matches and showed excellent leadership skills, including some



of the Bosworth 6 Cs, Character & Communication. The communication with the students throughout the event was excellent. Students pictured are (left to right) Delani K Year 11, Suraj P Year 13 and Thulani K Year 10. On Wednesday it was the turn of three more sports leaders who supported us with a Primary Year 5 & 6 Football tournament, which also included refereeing lots of matches, again these students showed the Bosworth 6Cs of Character and Communication. Teachers also commented on how well the boys lead the games. The boys did particularly well, especially in freezing temperatures. Students were Joshua W Year 8, Alex B Year 9, Mason B-W Year 8. Well done to all students.

Mr Bell, HBSSPAN Officer

Studio 79 Visit

Our GCSE Dance students were treated to a show by a group from Studio 79 on Thursday. The performers

from Studio 79



displayed their skills in contemporary dance in both solo and group work. A solo artist also sang songs including hits from Queen that showed their vocal range.

After the performance a Q & A session revealed the weekly routines for the dancers at Studio 79 who are based in Leicester.

Our Dance students from Years 9-11 watched and listened intently and we thank Studio 79 for visiting us and giving such a great performance.

Miss Green, Teacher of Dance

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Trial Exam Celebration

On Wednesday, we celebrated the end of Year 11 trial exams with a special breakfast for all students. All students in the year group were provided with pastries, hot chocolate and tea and Mr Brown, Mr Worn, Mrs Jones and their tutors distributed the goodies!



Our Year 11s have been absolutely superb during their exams with invigilators praising their effort and maturity throughout the fortnight. We have been immensely proud of how the year group conducted themselves and we are sure that they will continue to demonstrate these high levels of mature, focused behaviour for the remainder of Year 11.

Well done Year 11!

Mr Worn, Key Stage Four Lead

Year 11 Prom 2025

The Year 11
Prom will take
place on Friday
20 June 2025
7pm-10pm at
the King Power
Stadium in
Leicester.
The cost of a

ticket is £42. (if



you are PP or FSM, the relevant discounts have been applied to your sQuid accounts). The payment has been split into 2 payments, a deposit of £21 and a balance of £21. The **DEADLINE** to make the £21 **DEPOSIT** payment is Friday 29 November 2024. If this deadline is missed, the offer will no longer be available but a new offer for a full priced ticket of £42 will be available and live until Friday 28 February 2025.

Full details can be found here.

This annual event proves a memorable experience for Year 11 students and we look forward to Prom 2025!

Mrs Smith, KS4 Administrator

The Oaks Sixth Form

Be better than you thought you could be at The Oaks Sixth Form at Bosworth Academy.

The opportunities available to you will prepare you to thrive in a complex world.

Choose The Oaks Sixth Form at Bosworth Academy today. See a day in the life of a sixth form student here.









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Movember Update

After three weeks of our Movember 2024 fundraising appeal we have so far raised £1,994! Thank you to all who have donated so far and to our #TeamBosworth fundraisers..



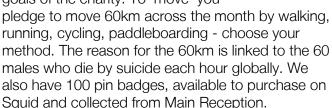
Each year, as a school, we engage in the worldwide charity event and raise awareness and money into prostate cancer, testicular cancer, mental health and suicide awareness.

Throughout the month we invite all of our school community: staff, students, parents and friends to join the #TeamBosworth Movember group and pledge to 'Grow for Mo' or 'Move for Mo'. To grow simply grow a moustache and to move you pledge to move 60km across the month.

We are asking all of the stakeholders of Bosworth Academy; staff, students, parents and friends to sign up to our #TeamBosworth Movember page (click here or scan the QR code below) and pledge to help us raise awareness and funds for this great charity.

Throughout the month you can choose the 'grow'

or 'move' for Movember. To 'grow' you need to be clean shaven on the 1st November and grow a moustache throughout the month to showcase on the 30th. When asked why - share the goals of the charity. To 'move' you



Please come and join us on this Bosworth Academy community project. If you can't join in then please donate to help up hit our fundraising target of £3,200.

The topics of this event are deeply upsetting but ones we have to address as a school. If you have any concerns regarding your mental health then please see the <u>wellbeing support</u> on our Academy's website.

Mr Grest, Assistant Headteacher

Football Scholarship Talk

Year 11 students were given a greater insight into the world of football this week when Tamworth FC midfielder Callum Powell visited Bosworth Academy on Wednesday to discuss football scholarships.





Callum discussed with the students the Post 16 option of studying a NCFE Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport (Performance and Excellence) through the CP Coaching Academy.

This pathway enables students to train, play and study with video analysis used to identify areas of improvement for players.

Callum shared his own journey of being a football player and coach with him showing Character to overcome setbacks including injuries.

Students were focused during the hour-long session and we thank Callum for visiting us.

For those who are interested in studying the NCFE Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport please contact me at https://mxxx.org.uk

Mrs Morar, Careers Coordinator



Communication Charter

We are pleased to see the positive response to the launch of our Communication Charter last year. Many parents have taken the time to review the document on our policy page, and we appreciate your support in this new initiative. You can access the Communications Charter here. Please familiarise yourself with it if you haven't done so already. This outlines that any meetings with staff should be prearranged as we cannot guarantee you will be seen if you arrive at the school without a pre arranged appointment. The Communication Charter has been instrumental in fostering a more structured and respectful dialogue between home and school. By establishing clear expectations and guidelines, we aim to ensure that all interactions remain focused on the well-being and success of our students. We are grateful to those who have actively engaged with the charter, as your adherence contributes significantly to maintaining a harmonious and effective communication network.

We recognise that questions and concerns may arise at any time during the school year, and we encourage you to continue using the charter as a reference point when contacting the school. Whether it's a quick update, a concern, or positive feedback, keeping communication open and respectful remains key to supporting the students in their academic and personal growth.

As we move forward, your role in upholding these values remains vital. Together, through consistent and respectful communication, we can ensure that every student's experience is as enriching and supportive as possible.

Thank you once again for your ongoing partnership and commitment to our school's vision.

Mr Dolinski, Deputy Headteacher

Fidget Toys

Fidget toys are not allowed in school for the vast majority of students.

A very small number of students are permitted to use fidget toys by the school in order to facilitate additional need. Any fidget toys not permitted will be confiscated.

Miss Watson, Assistant SENDCo

John Prescott 1938-2024

We were saddened to hear of the passing of former Deputy Prime Minister, Lord John Prescott, whose influence on politics and social policy touched many lives across the UK.





As we reflect on his contributions, we remember a special moment from our GCSE Geography fieldwork in 2017. While visiting Hull, we had the unexpected opportunity to spot Lord Prescott. Demonstrating their keen interest in urban regeneration, our geographers used the opportunistic sampling framework to engage him in conversation, asking for his thoughts on Hull's regeneration efforts. His openness and willingness to share his views left a lasting impression on the students, offering them a unique and valuable insight into the real-world application of their studies.

Our thoughts are with his family, friends, and all those who admired him. His legacy, particularly in areas of regeneration and public service, will continue to inspire future generations.

The Geography Department

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#Safeat17

Novice drivers are disproportionately represented in road traffic collisions being 16% of drivers but 26% of fatalities and 30% of casualties.



The Pathfinder Initiative was created by The Under 17 Car Club Charitable Trust to address that challenge. Delivered by volunteers, the 5 day programme is designed for 15-17 year olds who, accompanied by a parent or other appropriate

adult, learn the essential practical skills, road knowledge, attitudes and behaviours to be #SafeAt17 when they pursue a DVSA licence.



Surveys of the outcome of participation show that Pathfinder graduates have a 1st year post-test reportable incident rate of 1 in 19, a substantial improvement over the national peer group rate of 1 in 4/5.

www.u17ccctrust.org/research/

Pathfinder is run on a not for profit basis with bursaries available for those who cannot pay the course fee – and a bursary scheme which reduces the cost to young people resident in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland to £240. No child has ever been denied a place at Pathfinder on financial, educational needs or health grounds so if you require additional assistance we will discuss with you how to make participation possible. Events relatively local to you occur in school holidays at Prestwold Driving Centre with the next event during the February half term.

Further information is available from our leaflet: https://under17driver.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/Pathfinder2024-Flyer.pdf
If you have any questions please email us: admin@under17driver.co.uk or call: 07786 510060.

School Pickups

Thank you for your ongoing cooperation as we continue to improve the pick-up process and alleviate traffic congestion around the school. We would like to take this opportunity to reiterate some key points to ensure a smoother, safer experience for all.

Firstly, we kindly remind you to plan your pick-up for after 15:20, once the school buses have departed. This not only reduces congestion but can also significantly shorten your waiting time. Both the top and bottom gates are available for



pick-up, so please use either to help distribute traffic more evenly and relieve pressure on surrounding roads. Please note that staff will temporarily hold cars to allow the safe departure of buses, and we ask for your patience and respect during this process.

We would also like to stress the importance of respecting local residents. Please avoid blocking driveways or parking in front of homes, as this can cause unnecessary inconvenience and frustration. In addition, we kindly ask that you do not stop in the school's entrance or exit zones, which must remain clear for the safe and efficient flow of traffic.

Finally, we are working closely with police to address inappropriate driving behaviour near the school. The safety of our students and the local community is our top priority, and we are taking proactive measures to ensure that all drivers follow safe and courteous road practices.

Thank you once again for your continued support

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Mr Dolinski, Deputy Headteacher

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Maths Puzzle of the Week

Last week's puzzle: Find the sum

x and y are positive integers.

Find all the number pairs such that

$$x^2 - y^2 = 437$$

Since $x^2 - y^2 = (x + y)(x - y)$

We look for factor pairs of 437.

By inspection, 437 is semi-prime, that is, it only has 2 prime factors

 $437 = 19 \times 23$

x + y = 23

x - y = 19

Adding gives 2x = 42

Hence x = 21 and y = 2

(and by extension, x = -21 and y = -2)

 $437 = 437 \times 1$

x + y = 437

x - y = 1

Adding gives 2x = 438

Hence x = 219 and y = 218

(and by extension, x = -219 and y = -218)

This week's puzzle: How many sheep?

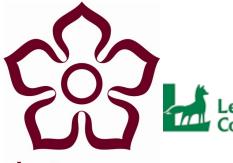
One shepherd said to the other. "Give me eight of your sheep and we'll have an equal number." The other responded "If you give me eight of your sheep I will have twice as many as you."



How many sheep does each shepherd have?

FSM Support

Students who receive Free School Meals can be supported in a number of ways, which may include a contribution towards the cost of uniforms, equipment and trips.



Leicester City Council

If you believe that your children may qualify for this support based on your income, you can apply by following these links:

Leicester City: https://

<u>freeschoolmeals.leicester.gov.uk/</u>
<u>Leicestershire (County): https://</u>

www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/social-care-and-supporting-families/free-school-meals

/june/sign-up-now-for-holiday-scheme-for-childrenon-free-school-meals/

Pantry: We also have a supply of food in our pantry. Please email pantry@bosworthacademy.org.uk if you would like further details.

If you have further queries about Free School Meals and the support we offer, please contact the school.

Jane Manning Associate Senior Leader, Pupil Premium Coordinator

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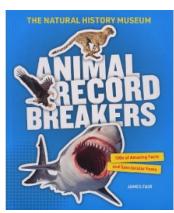
Findings from the Money and Pensions Service have found that only 47% of children in the UK have received a meaningful financial education. Money management is a vital part of being an adult, and an exceptionally important skill that will benefit children for their entire lives. Having the knowledge and self-control to let savings build up interest – or avoid an impulse buy can ensure that children go into adulthood at a significantly lower risk of financial difficulty. With Black Friday and Cyber Monday sales fast approaching, now is a great time to help children understand the value of money.



The Compass

Book Recommendations

Non -Fiction November

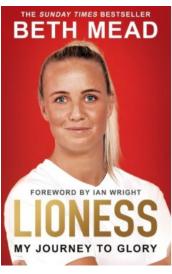


Packed with astonishing facts and even more jawdropping images Animal Record Breakers is a colourful quide to the most exceptional creatures on Farth.

From the strongest and shortest to the longest and laziest, it features world record holders

from each of the main animal groups.

Find out how the okapi can lick and clean its own eyes, see the flea that accelerates as fast as a space rocket and discover the turtle that can eat its way out of a crocodile. All this and more in this celebration of creatures both great and small.



With foreword by lan Wright & afterword by Jermain Defoe. Beth Mead is one of the world's most talented footballers -Golden Boot winner and Player of the Tournament at the UEFA Euro 2022. England Player of the Year 2021-22, Arsenal Player of the Season 2021-22, and nominee for the 2022 Ballon d'Or. But long before

this, Beth was just an ordinary kid from Hinderwell, North Yorkshire who wanted to play football.

From being placed in the local boys' team as a child because her mum wanted her to run off her boundless energy, to joining Middlesbrough FC's Centre of Excellence and making her professional debut at Sunderland, Beth and women's football have come a long way.

Filled with positive lessons and an exclusive

account of England's triumphant Euros campaign, Beth offers readers of all ages a heartfelt, behindthe-scenes look into her remarkable journey to

Empowering, inspirational and honest, this is Beth's story.

Arbor Parent App

The Arbor Parent Portal has been specifically designed to improve how



parents and school staff communicate.

The school can send and receive information via the Arbor app and portal and Parents can view key information relating to their child, including:

- real-time attendance data
- real-time behaviour information including
- academic progress reports
- timetables
- communication channels

You can install the app on your phone:

Apple and Android.

For help and guidance, please visit: https:// www.bosworthacademy.org.uk/arbor/

Extra Curricular Activities

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.

Mrs Coulson, Associate Senior Leader











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FACE Webinars

Please find the latest details for supportive webinars from Family Advice Communication Education (FACE).

FREE until JAN 25



Understanding the Teenage Brain
Watch this recorded session in your own time,
to learn why our teens think, feel and behave
very differently from adults and how we can
support them.

Thursday 5th Dec 19:00 - 21:00



Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.

Tuesday 17th Dec 19:00 - 21:00



Facing Defiance

Effective interventions for handling defiant behaviour. ADHD, ODD and PDA relevant as well as regular challenging behaviour. Introduction to the FACE programme -Facing Defiance - 6 week course

Tuesday 7th Jan 19:00 - 21:00 £24



Anxiety-Based School Avoidance

Understanding and supporting children who are anxious about school.

Steps you can take to help them back into the classroom.

Thursday 9 Jan 19:00 - 21:00 £24



AUTISM: Improving Communication

Looking at how small changes in how we communicate with children on the spectrum can lead to big improvements.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk.

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk



WINTER TIMETABLE

Talks are delivered online via zoom 7pm to 9pm £24 each
If you can't make the date ask for the link to the
recording, available for 48 hours afterwards
Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk
go to the PARENT page

FREE - Decreasing Depression FREE - Anxiety Explained	25 NOV 20 JAN
What is ACT?	26 NOV, 21 JAN
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	28 NOV
Supporting a Child with ADHD	5 DEC, 2 JAN
Understanding Anger	16 DEC, 13 JAN
Facing Defiance	17 DEC, 14 JAN
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	19 DEC, 16 JAN
Anxiety-Based School Avoidance	7 JAN
AUTISM: Improving Communication	9 JAN
Raising Self-Esteem	27 JAN
Supporting Healthy Sleep	28 JAN
Improving Family Communication	4 FEB
Introduction to OCD	18 FEB

Dates For Your Diaries

DATES	EVENT
Friday 29 November	Disaggregated Day School Closed
Monday 2 — Thursday 5 December	Year 12 Trip to Paris
Tuesday 10 December	Parents' Evening Y11, 12, & 13
Friday 20 December	End of autumn term
Monday 23 December — Monday 6 January 2025	Christmas holidays. School Closed

Term Dates 2024-25 Term Dates 2025-26

Careers Bulletin

You can now stay up-to-date on Careers news with our new Careers Bulletin.

From apprenticeships to careers talks, advice and Post 18 options, you can get the latest on Careers by clicking <u>here</u>.

Careers Team



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Lunch Menu

We will now be having the lunch menu on a two-week rotation.

Next week is Week One and you can see the menu below.

Week One and Week Two menus are also available to view by clicking the links.

Ms Ford, Head Cook



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.

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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Student Support:

studentjusttalk@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Anti-Bullying Form: Report here

Attendance Support:

attendance@bosworthacademy.org.uk

IT Support: ictsupport@bosworthacademy.org.uk



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