

HALF TERM NEWS ROUND UP



Year 10 Dance Workshop

Year 10 students attended Pavilion Dance for a workshop run by Middlesex University. The session encouraged students to analyse their skills and give consideration on how they might develop new skills. A portion of the workshop was delivered by Leroy Dias Dos Santos (member of Flawless and dancer on Britains Got Talent) who taught a short energetic sequence. The students gained a new dance vocabulary and a better understanding of what it's like to be a professional dancer.



Digital Safe Drive Stay Alive Show

We hosted a road show presented by Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue. The Safe Drive Stay Alive Road Show was delivered to Year 12 students before they embark on their driving careers. The show aims to educate students on their actions and possible consequences as drivers, passengers or motorcycle riders. The sobering video grasped the students' attention and delivered a powerful and memorable message.



Family Cooking ACE Club

Family Cooking Club is 'an invitation only' afterschool club where students and their families can come and cook together. Over the last term five families attended six cooking sessions after school. The club provided all the ingredients to cook a wide range of dishes from scratch, each family also took home a set of cooking equipment and recipe book so that they can continue to cook at home.



Urban Heath Workshop

Year 8 Geography students attended an Urban Heath Workshop sponsored by Dorset Fire and Rescue and Urban Heath Partners. The workshop puts students in court room situation with students playing the roles of judge, jury, witnesses and the accused. The workshop aims to make students aware of the dangers of fires on heathlands and highlights the importance of our local and surrounding urban heaths.



Relate Sessions

Relate is a network of licensed councilors who provide counseling and support sessions to young people. We are delighted that The Dorset Community Foundation have granted funding to provide a further 100 sessions at The Bourne Academy. We have a fantastic relationship with the Foundation and we are thrilled to be able to continue offering these sessions to our students.



UN Global Summit

Ten of our gifted and talented Year 10 students visited Southampton University to attend The UN Global Summit, the summit educates students in The UN Sustainable Development Goals. Students were asked to create and showcase a poster on sustainability and debate sustainable development topics. It was a fantastic and unique opportunity which broadened the students' knowledge on sustainability.



Bourne Scholars

Year 8 Scholars visited Talbot Heath School to hear a Holocaust survivor speak about their experiences in World War II. The talk was hosted in recognition of Holocaust Memorial Day on Friday 27 January, the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest Nazi death camp. The Scholars were honored to have the opportunity to speak to a Holocaust survivor and were fascinated with the experiences he shared.

The Scholars have continued participating in a range of activities this term, one of the subject focus' has been, 'Mini-Medic' sessions. In these sessions the Scholars learnt life saving CPR and first aid skills.

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John Wines - Guitar Teacher

The Bourne Academy guitar teacher, John Wines, has spent years passing on his love of the guitar to others. Recently John went viral on TikTok and Instagram. He currently has 17.3 million likes and 1.2 million followers on TikTok. John is passionate about the guitar's power to help young people, we are thrilled that so many people are finding joy from John's music. @oldgreyguitarist



Drama - Paper Birds Workshop

This half term we invited our Drama students to attend a Devising Theatre Workshop hosted by The Paper Birds. The drama studio was a hive of activity, the students loved every minute. The Paper Birds delivered an inspiring workshop through theatre and enabled students to thrive through participation.



Year 7, 8 and 9 English

We have introduced 'Bedrock Progress Leader Board'. Bedrock Learning is an online vocabulary and reading curriculum that teaches learners tricky tier 2 vocabulary within the context of aspirational fiction and non-fiction texts. Every week we celebrate those students who have made excellent progress in pre-topic to post-topic test scores. Students who make the most progress receive a prize.

Children's Mental Health Week

To support Children's Mental Health Week we ran our Active Hours initiative. It is proven that physical activity can improve mental health and reduce stress. We challenged students to log at least ten hours of activity over the two weeks from 6 - 19 February. Students competed in their Houses to log the most active hours with the winning House being announced after half term.



Year 10 Maths Enrichment Morning

We hosted our second Advanced Maths Support Programme. Local schools joined us to take part in a series of tasks alongside a talk about studying Maths after GCSE. Two Bourne Academy students were in the second place team: Harrison L & Lukas C. The morning concluded with a talk from Ben Sparx on the Creation of Number.



GALS and LADS

The GALS and LADS after school clubs continue to see large numbers of students participating in a wide range of sports. Netball and football are the ever popular activities with some basketball, badminton and rugby also being enjoyed. As the weather warms up we hope to be able to offer some additional activities and are planning to introduce an 'activity of the week' after half term in GALS, to broaden the range of activities on offer. We love welcoming new GALS and LADS!



Duke of Edinburgh Award

DofE season 2023 is in full swing with weekly training for those students who have signed up. We are excited for another year of rewarding expeditions. DofE is a brilliant opportunity to challenge yourself, build friendships and enjoy the outdoors. We have spaces left for bronze, silver and gold DofE this year. If you have not already signed up but would like more information, please see Miss Timlett.



Marths FTT

The Year 7 and 8 Students took part in their 3rd Flash Times Tables (FTT) Championship. One student from each house was represented and there were several rounds. The winners were Finn H (Year 7) and Sienna C (Year 8).