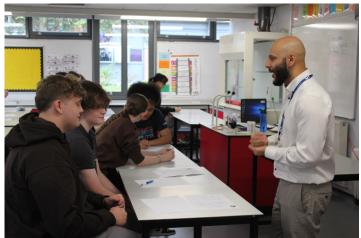


Welcome

6th September 2024 We have had a great first full week of the academic year. Our new Year 7 students are already quite confident in finding their way around school. I have been delighted to come across so many students who have been politely opening doors for others and being courteous and calm in corridors. Next week it will be important that they make their way to lessons more quickly as they learn the most direct route. Do encourage your child to keep asking for help or directions if needed because students in other years are always a great help.

Weekly Newsletter for Parents & Carers Our thoughts and deepest condolences to Bhim Kohli's family and close friends. Bhim died in hospital on Monday following an attack on him whilst walking his dog in Franklin Park, Leicester. I know some of our community live in that area of Leicester and will be in shock following this deplorable incident. At Bosworth Academy we do not tolerate any form of hate or racism. In our assemblies we have been discussing with our young people how to deal with hate in real life or online and next week we'll be learning more about this in tutor time;

- Stay Safe and Seek Help: by moving away from the situation and seeking help immediately. Report hate to a trusted adult, school staff, or police.
- Document the Incident: If it's safe to do so, record details of the hate crime to share with a safe adult.
- Seek Support: Think about how your friend might feel & support their wellbeing. School staff can offer support once reported.



On Monday our new Year 12 Sixth Form students began their first day of A-level study. It was brilliant to welcome them to Bosworth, the first to access our brand new Oaks Study Centre - exclusively for Year 12 and 13 learners. Students joining us from schools across the county have been settling in well and we are committed to provide them with great teaching, growing talent and unlocking potential. I am sure they will truly excel during their time in Post-16.

On Thursday 3 October 2024 4:30pm-7pm we will be holding our Open Evening for entry into Year 7 and Year 12 (though we have another evening exclusively for Year 11 students on Wednesday 30 October 2024.

To support us on the evening we will be requiring lots of

students, including new Year 7s, to be Ambassadors for the evening. This will entail showing children and their parents/ carers around school or supporting in various curriculum areas. To be considered, students will need to show us over the coming weeks how responsible and committed they are, and of course display our values. Being an Ambassador will

contribute towards their first 6C Colours Award. If your son or daughter would like to be considered then please ask them to let Mr Grest or Mr Moore know. Tutors will be sharing further information soon. In 1963 Martin Luther King said, "Darkness cannot drive darkness; Light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; Love can do that." - which highlights the importance of us all being committed to nonviolence and love as the ultimate solution to societal hatred and division. A vital message we must share with our young people who are our best hope to address the challenges of our time.

My weekend will include running the Great North Run Half-Marathon, raising money for the Teenage Cancer Trust. I hope yours is a little more relaxing!

Mr Brown

Headteacher



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Year 12 Induction

On Friday 30 August we welcomed our new Year 12 students to Bosworth Academy for an induction afternoon.

Head of Year 12 Ms Woolley and Headteacher Mr Brown led an introductory assembly where Ms Woolley talked about the journey our students will take throughout their time at Bosworth Academy Sixth Form.





Afterwards, students joined their new tutor groups for various activities to get to know each other. They then had a tour of the newly renovated The Oaks study area which impressed both those returning from Year 11 at Bosworth Academy and those who have joined us from other high schools.

Over this last week Year 12 students have begun their studies and we look forward to their future achievements. If

Year 12 students have any questions they can contact their individual tutors, Head of Year Ms Woolley or Post 16 Administrator, Mrs Brookes.



Post 16 Canteen

Our brand new coffee bar at The Oaks Post 16 study centre is now open.

Sixth Form students can get a range of food and drink, both hot and cold.



Payments can be made using debit cards, sQuid or via Apple Pay. We will update you once the option to use Android Google Wallet goes live. Click here for a full menu and meal deal price list.

New Facility

Following feedback from students to upgrade our toilets, the new facility now includes floor to ceiling cubicles, each with ventilation and lighting, modern cisterns and flush systems and more wash/dry facilities than before.

Toilets and washing facilities were designed by architects who usually fit them in new schools meeting DFE standards.



The new facility is more hygienic, reduces the chance of anti-social behaviour and are more inviting to all students.

We expect students to respect these facilities as every student deserves a pleasant environment.

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Open Evening

Come and visit us to see what our school, our culture, and our value systems are all about. Our theme this year is 'Unlocking Potential: Where Students Thrive and Futures Shine'.



Students leave Bosworth Academy confident that they can be future leaders, ready to adapt to an everchanging

world and transition into job sectors that don't even exist yet!

If your child is looking to start with us in Year 7 in the next two years, come and visit us on Thursday 3 October 2024 and see how we inspire children to be better than they ever thought they could be and help them believe they can make a difference to the world in which they live.

We also welcome those of you who are looking to join us in Year 12 but we do have a dedicated Sixth Form evening on Wednesday 30 October 2024 which you might find more useful to attend. Testimonials from Sixth Form students can be viewed here.

DATE & TIME

The evening on **3 October 2024** will run from **4:30PM-7:00PM**. Feel free to tour the school during this time. We recommend spending at least one hour at the school to get the most out of your visit. Our presentations detail our story, our vision, and our values and give an insight into student life at our school.

There are two identical presentations available at the following times:

5:00PM 5:45PM

You can book your time slot <u>here</u> or by scanning the QR code.

You can view our current school prospectus by visiting our school website.

Bosworth Academy is part of the LiFE Multi Academy Trust and you can learn more about the Real LiFE Curriculum here.

We look forward to welcoming you.



Year 7 Bunsen Burners

Our Year 7 students have settled in nicely since joining us last week and have completed their Bunsen burner licences in Science.





Students listened intently to instructions about how to use the Bunsen burners safely before donning their goggles and testing out the apparatus.



After the initial flame was lit, students took their splints, lit them and ignited their own Bunsen burners.

After learning about the theory of reactions the students were able to put this into practice by having an "Expecto Patronum" moment by dipping their splints in different solutions and seeing different coloured flames when reacting with the lit Bunsen burner.

All students showed great maturity and we can't wait to do our next practical.

Mrs Connolly, Teacher of Science

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Home Learning

Home learning is an important part of our students' learning journey. Research shows that students who regularly complete home learning achieve better outcomes. Not only do these students have more opportunities to apply the knowledge and skills taught during lessons, they also develop independence and autonomy, key skills for later life.



All students will be set home learning via Satchel One. Home learning will include tasks such as: the creation of revision materials; on-line learning platforms; coursework completion; learning new

vocabulary/key terms; the production of something; reading/watching specified material, quizzes...etc. At KS3, students can expect weekly home learning from English and Maths, with other subjects setting home learning when appropriate.

At KS4, students will be set weekly homework in all subjects. This should take between 60-90 minutes per subject.

At KS5, students can expect to be set up to one hour's worth of additional home learning/study materials for each lesson taught.

To support with your child's home learning, we encourage you to:

- Log in to Satchel One so that you can support your child with completing tasks and organising their time, while fostering their independence.
- Regularly discuss what your child is learning and look for opportunities to extend this (a visit to a local museum, for example).
- Provide a space away from distractions for your child to complete their home learning.
- Reassure students if they are finding the task hard - it is ok for students to make mistakes; it's part of the learning process.
- Be enthusiastic and praise the effort made on their work.

Thank you for your continued support with home learning.

Mrs Smoczynski,

Curriculum Leader English and Associate SLT

Excellence Evening

On Thursday 12th September at 6PM we will be hosting the annual Excellence Evening, an invitational event which gives us the opportunity to celebrate the tremendous achievements of 2023 with some of our students who were in Years 11, 12 and 13 before they move on to the next part of their journey.



The evening will include entertainment provided by students, refreshments which will be served during the event, and an awards ceremony presented by staff from Bosworth Academy. The dress code is smart and we ask those who have been invited to please arrive from 5:45pm in order to be seated by 6:00pm.

We very much hope you will be able to celebrate with us and we look forward to sharing a very special evening with you.

Mr Worn, Head of KS4 and Mrs Holdback, Head of KS5

Claire Lomas

We are deeply saddened by the <u>tragic</u> <u>loss of fundraiser, Claire</u> <u>Lomas</u>, who overcame adversity to inspire others.

We were lucky to have Claire visit us for our staff professional capital



day in the summer of 2013 where she discussed how her Character allowed Claire to take on challenges such as the London Marathon in a Bionic Suit.

Our thoughts are with her friends and family.

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Alumni Profile

In this week's Alumni profile we catch up with former student **Ryan Cummings** who studied at Bosworth Academy between 2008 and 2011. Since leaving Bosworth Ryan has graduated from De Montfort University, coached sports in Africa and is now a childcentred Teaching Assistant at



a primary school in Hamilton, Leicester.

Was there anyone at Bosworth who inspired you to pursue sports/coaching and if so, what advice did they give?

"Yes I remember a few teachers actually which I always enjoyed speaking with them about all things sports but also the fact they took an interest in what I was doing while I was at Bosworth which made a huge impact on me carrying on with sports I'm part of now and have had many great experiences doing so too."

What are your goals now with you currently being a Teaching Assistant?

"I now work as a child-centred Teaching Assistant which means I work with children with high end special needs and I have found this to be my career path going forward. As for goals I'm looking to learn more and gain more experience over the next few years and then may look to work in a specialised school for children with SEND needs or combine my knowledge of sports coaching and knowledge of working with disabilities and do something work wise in that."

What advice would you have for current students? "My advice to current students would be do the best that you can and if you have gave it your all then nothing is going to stop you, take any and all opportunities that come your way as you never know where it may lead too, like myself being able to travel to Kenya and Uganda to coach children to play rugby and life skills. And lastly even if you don't get the grades you wanted it's not the end as your path is not set and you are only just getting started in your life so take it full throttle and never look back."

Are you a **Bosworth Academy alumni** who would like to share your story since leaving school? We would love to hear from you as your journey can inspire the next generation of students. Please complete this <u>survey</u> or go to <u>www.bosworthacademy.org.uk/alumni</u> to find out more.

Careers Update

Welcome to a new academic year from the

Careers Team!
My name is Mrs
Morar and I am
Bosworth
Academy's Careers
Coordinator. I am
your point of contact
for anything related
to careers and will
be in school on
Mondays, Tuesdays
and Thursdays
where I am based in
the Careers office at



the back of The Compass. Feel free to contact me on https://memory.org.uk to organise a one-to-one meeting to discuss your career options.

Mrs Delage-Martin can also be contacted on mariedm1@bosworthacademy.org.uk if you have any career queries. We will be running a range of events throughout the year for all year groups which will discuss different career options and opportunities available to our students. These begin with a range of talks on the week commencing 16th September given by representatives from Caterpillar, Sheffield Hallam, Leicester College and SMB College. We look forward to learning more about the options available after studying at Bosworth Academy.

Mrs Morar, Careers Coordinator

PE Kit

In PE, students have now all had inductions lessons and know about our kit expectations. Please remind your child to bring their full kit including boots when on the 3G/in the dome. From next week, we are going to start logging on Arbor when students are not bringing their kit.

Miss Hall, Curriculum Leader PE



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Maths Puzzle of the Week

Last time's puzzle:

A group of people are investing gold. If each person invests £400, they have £3400

If each person pays £300 they have £100 spare.

How many people are in the group and how much is the gold?



400x - 3400 = 300x - 100100x = 3300

X = 33

The gold is worth $400 \times 33 - 3400 = £9800$

There are 33 people

This week's puzzle: How many photographs?

Rosie has a set of photographs, less than 100, which she is going to put into an album.

If she puts 2 photographs on each page, she will have 1 left over.

If she puts 3 photographs on each page, she will have 2 left over.

If she puts 4 photographs on each page, she will have 3 left over.

If she puts 5 photographs on each page, she will have 4 left over.

How many photographs does she have altogether?



Eco Detectives Club

Hi everyone. For our next whole-school project I want to create a display and film about our ecosystem at Bosworth. To do this I need you all to become eco-detectives and find clues and evidence of as many living things as you can from anywhere around our school site below:



An ecosystem is the pattern of life and interaction between the living things in a specific type of place. It can be as small as life under a rotting log or as vast as life in an inland lake. We are going to investigate the ecosystem for the whole of the school site. Here is our first task:

Task 1

You are investigating the case of the Bosworth ecosystem. Use your detective skills to record all the living things you can find around the school and send them to me to put in the table below.



Include photographic, audio or video evidence of sightings, tracks, droppings or other clues about the animals, plants and insects that inhabit our school. There are apps for this (like Merlin Bird ID and Google Lens) so your iPads and phones will be very useful here.

If you want to get involved please contact davec5@bosworthacademy.org.uk

Mr Claricoates. Assistant Headteacher

Extra Curricular Sports

We now have a new timetable of extracurricular sporting activity for you to take part in. Sports range from table tennis, badminton, trampoling and football.

Click here for the current timetable. We look forward to welcoming you! Miss Hall, Curriculum Leader PE



The new academic year has now started and while plenty of children will be thrilled to reunite with friends and continue their education, this can be a stressful time for some youngsters, who may be feeling unsure about a number of incoming changes. Research commissioned for Children's Mental Health Week has found that 65% of UK children have felt anxious, nervous, or stressed because of school. This highlights the important role played by trusted adults when helping young people get excited to return to education, and it's vital that parents and educators understand how best to ensure those first days back go as smoothly as possible.





The Compass

Roald Dahl Day

To celebrate Roald Dahl Day on Friday 13th September we are asking you to design your own 'Marvellous Medicine' poem. Create your own idea for a magical potion and write down the recipe as and entertaining poem.



There will be prizes for the best entries!



What might your medicine do? What are the ingredients? How do you make it?

*DO NOT try to make a marvellous medicine recipe at home in real life, it could be extremely dangerous.

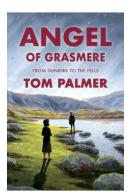
George's Marvellous Medicine by Roald Dahl

In the book, George is bullied by his nasty Grandma so he decides to get his own back by swapping her medicine for one that he has created himself. His ingredients include lots of things from across the house such as deodorant, shoe polish and horseradish—yucky! When Grandma swallows it, something very unexpected happens... Click here to read a short extract.

Book Recommendations

Key Stage Three

July 1940 - as Tarn struggles to come to terms with the loss of her beloved brother in the chaos of the British retreat at Dunkirk, she and her friends scour the hills around their Lake District home, watching for any signs of the long-dreaded Nazi invasion. But as the war drags on, with little good news from the front, the

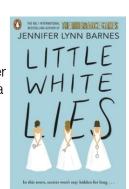


locals become aware of someone carrying out anonymous acts of kindness, such as saving a flock of sheep from a snowdrift and getting help for an injured farmer who might otherwise have died.

With no one claiming credit, they come to think of this unidentified stranger as a kind of guardian angel, but when his identity is finally revealed can Tarn come to terms with the truth...?

Key Stage Four

Eighteen-year-old auto mechanic Sawyer Taft did not expect her estranged grandmother to show up at her apartment door and offer her a six-figure contract to participate in debutante season. And she definitely never imagined she would accept. But when she realises that immersing herself in her



grandmother's 'society' might mean discovering the answer to the biggest mystery of her life - her father's identity - she signs on the dotted line and braces herself for a year of makeovers, big dresses, bigger egos, and a whole lot of bless your heart.

The one thing she doesn't expect to find is friendship, but as she's drawn into a group of debutantes with scandalous, dangerous secrets of their own, Sawyer quickly discovers that her family isn't the only mainstay of high society with skeletons in their closet. There are people in her grandmother's glittering world who are not what

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they appear, and no one wants Sawyer poking her nose into the past. As she navigates the twisted relationships between her new friends and their powerful parents, Sawyer's search for the truth about her own origins is just the beginning.

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 including a stocked pencil case and a calculator
- revision guides and additional in-school academic support
- a contribution towards the cost of trips
- mentoring by staff or Post 16 Students

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://

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

www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-andchildren/social-care-and-supporting-families/freeschool-meals

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

Pantry: We also have a supply of food in our pantry. Please

email <u>pupilpremium@bosworthacademy.org.uk</u> if you would like further details.

Miss Manning, Associate Senior Leader

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 rewards
- 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/

Dates For Your Diary

DATES	EVENT
Thursday 12 September	Excellence Evening 6PM Invitations only
Thursday 3 October	Open Evening 4.30pm-7pm
Tuesday 16 October	KS3 Colours Evening (Times TBC)
Monday 21 — Friday 25 October	Autumn half term School Closed
Wednesday 30 October	Post 16 Open Evening 4.30pm-7pm
Friday 29 November	Disaggregated Day School Closed
Friday 20 December	End of autumn term

Term Dates 2024-25



Leicestershire Local Offer Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Roadshow



Thursday 26th September 5.00pm - 7.30pm

Leicestershire County Council, County Hall, LE3 8RF

Come along with your child / young person to have a go at activities and find out about Local SEND services and support available

The Roadshow brings together information and services which support families of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) all in one place. A chance to meet and chat with representatives from Leicestershire County Council and its partners.

We are **inviting children and young people** to come along to this Roadshow to have a go at some activities on offer. These include:

- Music Sound and Sensory
- Positive Mental Health
- No Bake Food
- Cricket

Cinema showing

Please book your FREE tickets via

 $https://leicestershirecc\text{-}self.achieveservice.com/\\en/service/Local_Offer_SEND_Roadshows_2024$

Free parking available

To find out more about the SEND Local Offer in Leicestershire please visit

www.leics.gov.uk/send





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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:

The Oaks Newsletter



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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Anti-Bullying Form: Report here

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