



THE BOURNE ACADEMY
NEWSLETTER

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**'THE BOURNE ACADEMY HAS MADE 'GOOD' PROGRESS RAISING ATTAINMENT'
AND THAT'S OFFICIAL—OFSTED**

Elements of the Ofsted Report read as follows:-

- *The Academy has already had a positive impact in raising attainment..*
- *Progress in mathematics has accelerated rapidly.*
- *The rate of progress at the early stages of learning English, is accelerating due to specialist curriculum provision.*
- *Students' attitudes and behaviour have improved very dramatically in the academy's first year. There has also been a sharp decline in bullying.*
- *The curriculum is broadening rapidly to be more inclusive and to better meet the needs of a wider range of students. The range of courses offered, including vocational qualifications is impressive given the academy's small size.*

OSILIGI MAASAI WARRIOR TROUP VISIT THE ACADEMY
WRITTEN BY ADAM MOORE (year 7)

On the 18th October 2011, The Maassi Warriors from Kenya came to perform at The Bourne Academy. They were from a tribe and their name means Hope. They can jump 4 feet in the air and they chanted traditional Kenyan songs. Their customs are unusual because they mix blood with milk and can kill lions with their bare hands.

They also showed us how they herd their cattle with special chants and whistles. They chose students and teachers from the audience including Mr Storey who jumped higher than the warriors did. The students jumped and chanted with the warriors. The warriors came to show us what life is like as a Massai and to show us their culture which was really different and interesting.



The Maasai are one of the poorest tribes in Kenya. Life is hard, infant mortality high and drinking water rarely clean. Their lifestyle is one of the oldest surviving tribal traditions. In the past, they were nomadic pastoralists, roaming with their cattle. Now, much of their land is tourist game reserves and fenced off. The Maasai say that they must adapt to prevent starvation of their people. School was unnecessary now they want a good education to have doctors, engineers & teachers.



For further photos of the Maasai Warriors, see page 2!

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A Maasai Warrior Poem

THE MESSENGER

The tortured soul struggles to emerge
Struggles to find the light of day
In the dark of night
This dark night of the soul
Resides within all
Yet this path of destiny lies forlorn
Forsaken Chosen by few

Deep in the heartbeat of Africa
Shines the light
Glowing within the ancient soul
Chosen to lead the way
Chosen to light the lamp of consciousness
For all mankind

The messenger is he
Shining for all to see
Emerging triumphant
Through adversity will he not falter
Until peace resounds in the hearts of all



*Faith Carter, Betty's Bay, South Africa - August 2007
Inspired by Miyere ole Miyandazi – Maasai Peace Warrior*



Jane Portman, Exec Director of Children & Family Services enjoyed the Maasai Warrior's performance. Head Girl, Hayley Thomas presented the Warriors with the Academy Uniform they admired. The Maasai will hopefully use the academy colours for their own school, when it opens in early 2012.

THE BOURNE ECO GROUP

In July we launched our greenhouse project, we have had a great response for bottles, but we are still collecting them! We need the 2 litre clear plastic bottles (lemonade, coke style) so we can get our greenhouse built as soon as possible.

If every pupil brings in 3 each (preferably washed out) we will reach our target of 1500 bottles

If anyone would like to help out get in touch!
simon.abel@thebourneacademy.com

We have so far collected 750 bottles and are half way there!
Please keep collecting and bring the bottles into the Eco-Team.



THE BOURNE ACADEMY KICKS OFF THE GREEN GOALS' SCHOOLS RAG TO RICHES COMPEITION



Schools in Bournemouth are being invited to take part in the Green Goals' Rags to Riches competition to help improve the environment.

As part of the award winning Green Goals Project, Bournemouth Council in partnership with W&S Recycling, is encouraging schools to recycle unwanted textiles and compete against other schools for the chance to **win £1,000 prize money**. Further details to follow.

APOLOGIES FROM THE EDITOR

In last months' Academy Newsletter, we incorrectly gave out GCSE results for one of our students. It should have read:-

Ross Palmer: 4 A*s, 2 As, 1 B and 2 Cs

Apologies to Ross for missing off his important A grades and we wish him every success for the future.



LANGSIDE SCHOOL DANCE TRIP

A number of Year 10 and 11 students went along to Langside School to participate and aid students in a Dance workshop on the 5th October in their own free time. Langside School provides an education for students who suffer from sensory and physical and most of their students require a wheel chair to move around.

Miss Martin led the workshop based on "Bollywood" Dance with the Bourne Academy and Langside students. The Bourne Academy students then had the challenge of creating a performance piece working with Langside students who were in a wheel chair.

The students learnt how to communicate with the Langside student using sign language or simple verbal skills to encourage the Langside students to try and clap or to express how they were feeling.

The event was a very enjoyable experience and students realize the challenges you can face when dealing with someone who cannot speak or is unable to move. The Bourne Academy students were very professional and produce excellent pieces of dances with the Langside students.



'HAIRSPRAY'

Keep your eyes peeled for the Academy's production of Hairspray on 5th, 6th and 7th December. Tickets will be going on sale middle of November. So don't miss out on the beehives and false eyelashes and book your tickets to see the musical extravaganza of the year!



THE BOURNE ACADEMY'S FIRST DANCE EVENING



The year 11 BTEC Dance students are currently working very hard to create and organise the Bourne Academy 1st Dance Evening next year. Students are currently organising this event to raise funds for the Rock Challenge performance which will take place at the Pavilion on the 21st March 2012. The funds will help towards the cost of the set and costumes needed for the performance.

The event will include all Year groups. The evening looks at a range of dance styles students have to study within the curriculum or have created within their own spare time. Tickets will go on sale after half term. The Dance Evening will be taking place on the 19th January 2012 at 6.30pm. See Miss Martin for more details.

MOUNTAIN BIKING

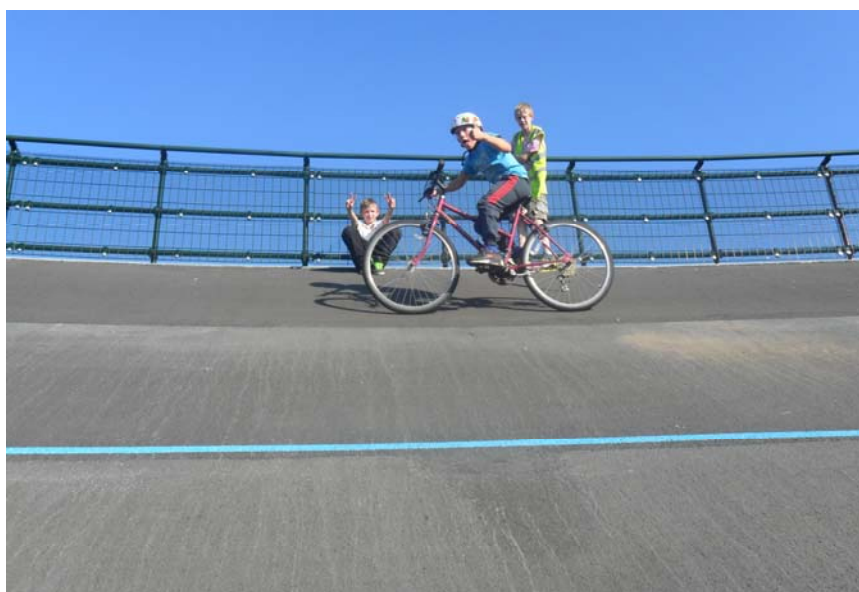
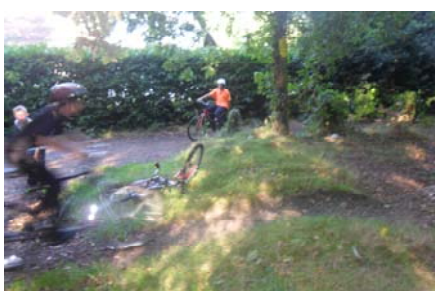
WRITTEN BY MIKEY BARTLETT (YEAR 7)

At the Bourne Academy we do a selection of ace sessions, which is where you go to an extra class after the bell has gone. (Please see advert on page 10) Ace sessions are from 3-4pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays and we do mountain biking.

During mountain biking we go to different places and go off road. We will go to Slades Farm, Turbary Common, and lots more exciting places.

The teachers that run it are Mr S Thorpe and Mr S Bower-man Ellis

If you want to join us next term... remember to bring your own bike!!



STUDENT COUNCIL



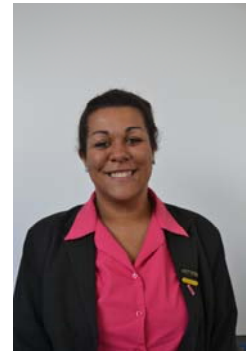
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Treasurer*



*Kirsten Stevens
Co Chairwoman*



*Ben Buckell-May
Co Chairman*



*Jordan Stanislas
Secretary*



*Tia
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*Jack
Hill*



*Maisy
Young*



*Lauren
Gale*



*Joshua
Parkes*



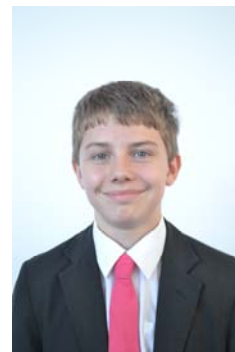
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Storer*



*Leah
Christopher*



*Chantelle
Holden*



*Damon
Griffiths*



*Hannah
Batt*



*Charlotte
Arnold*



*Rosie
Sherwood*



*Harley
Edwards*



*Ben
Hart*



*Ellie
Cambray*

STUDENT COUNCIL



*Madison
Shoebridge*



*Leigh
Collingwood*



*Rosie
Nias*



*Ryan
Mellor*



*Eloise
Evetts*



*Amber
Durham*



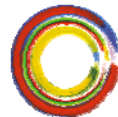
*Samantha
Bush*



*Hayley
Thomas*



*Samantha
Basten*



THE BOURNE ACADEMY

Our School Council Representatives are voted in by their peers because they are particularly:

- *Reliable*
- *Responsible*
- *Friendly and approachable*
- *Good at listening to everyone*
- *Able to remember things*
- *Honest and sensible*
- *Hardworking*

The main responsibilities of the School Council Representative are:

- *To attend meetings and turn up on time.*
- *To listen to the views and opinions of their Tutor Group and bring them to meetings.*
- *To report everyone's ideas and opinions even if they are not their own.*
- *To bring ideas to the meeting that will make the Academy a better place to be.*
- *To feed back information to their Tutor Group.*
- *To wear their 'School Council' badge with pride*

Residential trip: year 7 only!

WRITTEN BY JACK HILL & CALLUM FROUD (year 7)



Year 7 went on a residential trip with 3 year 10's and 11's to Harrow house in Swanage. Years 8, 9, 10 and 11 did not go, so it was peaceful.

We did team building, kayaking, rock climbing and abseiling. If you do rock climbing and abseiling you will do it on a real cliff at the Jurassic coast and kayaking at the same beach as team building. My favourite thing was

kayaking because I love water activities. The funniest moment was in Kayaking because it took 2 people 10 minutes to get in a Kayak and then I hit the same people with my Kayak and then they fell out again. I had a cheese pasta pyramid for dinner and it was nice. Then we went to bed.

THE ACADEMY WELCOMES VISITING AUTHOR BARBARA SPENCER

On Thursday 20th October, we had the privilege of having the author **Barbara Spencer** visit the Academy. She has been writing fantasy novels for children and teenagers since 1997 and lectures on how to bring joy back into reading.

During the day, Barbara ran Creative Writing Workshops for the whole of year 10 and at lunchtime, Barbara offered a drop in session to answer students' questions. She also sold signed copies of her new novel '**Timebreaking**' in the Infozone and her previous novel '**Running**'.



In English lessons, students are currently preparing for their GCSE 'Creative Writing' controlled assessment. The workshops will help to develop confidence in their writing and creativity.

We hope this encouraged our students to make the most of this marvellous opportunity. For more information on Barbara and her novels, please see www.barbaraspencer.co.uk.

Kate Forbes
(Team Leader Communication and Enquiry)

Derith Rolfe
(Infozone Manager)



YEAR 11 REVISION WORKSHOPS

We would like to invite all year 11 students and their parents to attend a revision workshop, to learn how to revise effectively, plan revision, top tips for GCSE exams and much, much more. The evening will be fun and interactive, although you will not be made to do anything you do not want to. A booklet full of materials will also be issued to you on the evening.

Feedback from previous years is that this event has been informative, fun and enjoyable.

A letter would have been posted out to all parent/carers, however if you require further information, please contact Mrs Jo Amos.

REVISION WORKSHOP FOR YEAR 11 PARENTS/CARERS AND STUDENTS

WEDNESDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 2011 6PM—8PM

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED

THE BOURNE ACADEMY CAREERS PRESENTATION

Oakmead VI form Wednesday 2nd November @ 8.45am

Bournemouth & Poole College Wednesday 9th November @ 8.45am

For further information please contact Mrs Vicky Woodings (Head of House)

Rights & Respect Conference

WRITTEN BY ELLIE C. AND GEORGIA J. (year 9)

On 27th September a group of students attended a Rights and Respect Conference. Where they learnt the rights of children around the world, a few of them were:

- A right to education.
- A right to nutritious food.
- A right to free will.
- A right to be heard.
- And to respect others.

Also UNICEF came in (United Nation Children's Fund) In the conference they did activities including role-play, listing our rights and we also listed skills and feelings from a-z and a few of them were a-actions, e-education, l-loving, t-teaching, s-shelter.

The students also wrote about why they liked being the first rights and respecting school in Bournemouth. I personally think its good, as we get respect and a good education, which will give us lots of opportunities in life.

I hope that everyone will have these rights and everyone respects each other.

Student Feedback from UNICEF Conference:

What I like about being a RRS:

- Teachers don't raise their voices to anyone.
- We have a right to an education, so pupils denying our right, are punished.
- Being able to share our opinion.
- It inspires me.
- People listen to you.
- It helps me feel confident.
- It helps me to respect others views.
- We have more freedom of speech..
- Helps me to be more mature.
- Teachers are more helpful.
- Happy students, happy teachers!

What I think could still be improved:

- Use our gadgets at break and lunchtime.
- Let us wear our own clothes, so we can express ourselves.
- We need to do more for charity.
- Letting more students speak their minds in lessons.
- Do more learning on rights.

BERNADETTA SKWARCZYNSKA — VISITING ARTIST



This term we were lucky enough to have Bernadetta Skwarczynska, a professional artist and also Bourne Academy parent, come in to talk to our Year 10 artists about her own artwork.

Bernadetta brought with her a number of fabulous examples of her own artwork that fitted perfectly in to our GCSE Distorted Portraiture scheme. Bernadetta described her true passion for painting and inspired our budding young artists, urging them to always 'paint from the heart'. We hope to see more of her in the future as she has promised to come in and work with our students on a collaborative large scale portrait. Watch this space!

Opposite, we have two beautiful examples of work from two of our students. Work that would be at home in any top gallery.

Lizzie Sturdy

TALENTCALL 2011 THE GRAND FINAL

After being successful during the summer in live shows, Jade Middleton (Year 7) and Mark Anstead (Year 11) have reached the grand final of Talentcall 2011!

They will be both performing in the junior section of the Talentcall finals on Saturday 29th October 2011 in The Bournemouth Pavilion Theatre.

Ticket information and timings can all be found at www.bic.co.uk

DO YOU HAVE COACHING QUALIFICATIONS?



If so, would you like to coach an Ace Club next term?

Tuesdays & Thursdays
3 - 4pm

Please contact
Mr James Short
(Head of House).



Katherine Pagett year 10



Lauren Sweatland Year 10

THE BOURNE ACADEMY CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL



SUGGESTED GIFTS TO PACK:

Yes please!

Toys—Bear, soft toy, finger puppet, jigsaw, yo-yo, building blocks, small musical instrument, trucks, cars, dolls, clip on earrings, bracelets etc.

Educational—Felt pens, pens, pencils, pencil sharpener, eraser, colouring book, notepad, picture or puzzle book, chalk, pencil case, stickers etc.

Hygiene items—toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, comb, hair-clips, bar of soap, flannel etc.

Sports items—Tennis ball, skipping rope, baseball, hat, small football, inflatable beach ball, stopwatch, sweatbands, toy medals.

Other items—Sweets (sell by date by at least March of the following year) gloves, scarf, sunglasses, hat, bangles, necklaces)

No thanks!

No food, especially chocolate.

No medicine or vitamins of any kind

No war related items—toy guns, knives of any kind or soldiers,

No fragile items—glass containers, mirrors.

No liquids—blow bubbles, shampoo, bubble bath, toiletry sets or aerosols.

No sharp object, scissors or razors

No novels, or anything of a political nature.

No hand-knitted stuffed toys without a CE mark

Operation Christmas Child is the world's largest children's Christmas project, bringing joy into the lives of underprivileged children around the world.

In the UK, Operation Christmas Child have an army of dedicated volunteers, who give their time freely to ensure your shoeboxes get to where they need to go.

For further information please see Mrs Tanya Stewart.

How to pack your shoebox:-

1. Find an empty shoebox (approx 18cmx30cmx13cm)
2. Wrap the box and lid separately in wrapping paper.
3. Decide if your gift is for a boy or a girl.
4. Choose which age you are buying gifts for.
5. Fill your box with gifts.
6. Deliver to The Bourne Academy

This newsletter is for you!
Is there anything else we should tell you
about? Please send your comments to us at
admin@thebourneacademy.com.
We look forward to hearing from you.

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TERM DATES AND HOLIDAYS FOR 2011—2012 ACADEMIC YEAR

	FROM:	TO:
Autumn Term	Tue 6th September 2011	Fri 16 December 2011 @ 13.30pm
Autumn Holiday	Mon 24 October 2011	Fr 28 October 2011
Christmas Holiday	Mon 19 December 2011	Mon 2nd January 2012
Spring Term	Tue 3rd January 2012	Fri 30 March 2012 @ 13.30pm
Half Term Holiday	Mon 13 February 2012	Fri 17 February 2012
Easter Holiday	Mon 2 April 2012	Fri 13 April 2012
Summer Term Mon	16 April 2012	Fri 20th July 2012 @ 13.30pm
Half Term Holiday	Mon 4 June 2012	Fri 8 June 2012 @ 4pm
Summer Holiday	Tue 24 July 2012	
	2012 PUBLIC HOLIDAYS	2011/12 INSET DAYS
Christmas	26 & 27 December 2012	Mon 5 September 2011
New Year	2nd January 2012	Fri 23 September 2011
Easter	6,8,9 April 2012	Fri 7 October 2011
May Day	7 May 2012	Mon 5 December 2011
Spring Bank Holiday	4 June 2012	Tue 3 January 2012
Queen's Jubilee	5 June 2012	Fri 23 March 2012
Summer Bank Hols	27 August 2012	Mon 23 July 2012

ACADEMY REMINDERS

Year 11 GCSE Exam Dates:

GCSE Maths Exam Wednesday 9th November 2011
GCSE Maths Exam Monday 14th November 2011
GCSE Science Exam Tuesday 15th November 2011



Students are NOT allowed to carry any form of medication around school. ALL medicines (with the exception of inhalers) must be handed to Mrs Duffy in Front Office with a note from the parent/carer. If a student is unwell, they are to report to Mrs Duffy at either break or lunchtime, who will then phone home.

Mobiles are NOT allowed to be used in the Academy. If a student is required to phone home, they can do so during break or lunchtime by reporting to their head of house or reception.



Don't forget Children In Need is in November—Watch out for further information on how you can help us to raise money to help those children who are in need. We raised over £1000 last year, so let's see if we are able to beat that figure this year.

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