

Spalding High School Weekly Bulletin 14th November 2024



The School was buzzing at last night's **16+ Open Evening** and so thank you to Year **11**, visiting students and families for coming along to find out more about the exciting opportunities on offer for Year **12** 2025. Prospective Year **12** students were treated to an array of subject presentations and talks from staff and student ambassadors and, in the Sixth Form Common Room, opportunities within the Enrichment Curriculum were available. There was also a presentation in the hall about the entry process and sixth form experience.

It might seem a little early to be thinking about next steps, when Year 11 have not even sat their mock examinations yet but there is lots of information to be gathered and processed and this can take time. Some students I spoke to have a very clear idea about their subjects for study in Y12. More typically at this stage, Year 11 are contemplating a wide range of subjects that they might like to do and usually too many! Last night I spoke to several Year 11 who had six to eight subjects on their "possible" list. This is absolutely fine and the important thing to remember at this stage is to just gather information and chat with families and friends about how you are feeling about different subjects. The mock exams and last few months of GCSE course completion will help to refine those thoughts and lead you to a more concrete list of possible subjects. The January Taster Day is also a very useful opportunity to test subjects further, particularly those you are unsure about. For now though, the best advice for Year 11 is to revise hard for those mocks starting on Monday 2nd December as good results in those will help to keep all of your options open. Good Luck!

Hot off the press news for Year 7 and Year 8, is that we will be sending home a letter next week for the **Christmas Disco**. This year the disco, which is on Friday 6th December, and will start at 7pm and tickets will also be available to Y7 and Y8 from Spalding Grammar. To make things easier for parents/carers dropping off and collecting their children to the disco at the High School, the Grammar School will be running the PFA Bingo Night on the same evening. We will time the events carefully to correspond with each other so that parents can drop off, enjoy the bingo and then come and collect! Both schools are working much more closely together on community fundraising events this year and we look forward to seeing everyone at these first two events!

Please note that there will be no bulletin for the next two weeks whilst we prepare the HQ.

M K Anderson, Headmistress

Children In Need - Friday 15th November 2024

On Friday 15th November we will be holding a non-uniform day to raise money for the national 'Children in Need' appeal. We are asking pupils to please support this worthwhile charity by paying £1 and coming to school in non-school uniform. Polite reminder to pupils, no inappropriate outfits or offensive slogans.

Mrs Ray, Assistant Headteacher and Safeguarding Lead

Image source - www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/product/standing-pudsey-bear/



Student of The Week

Please find below the latest 'Student of the Week' nominations. Nominations can be made by both teaching and support staff and can be subject related or community focused.

Form	Student	Staff	Reason
7C	Eva Steele	Mrs J Lord	English
7 J	Evah Goult	Mrs Cave	Religious Education
7 J	Macie Bowater	Miss Jones	Physical Education
7N	Anastasia Baker	Mr Wright	Science
8C	Isla Worral	Mrs Barats	French
8C	Rose Dunnett	Miss Rossouw	Religious Education
8J	Maja Polonskaite	Miss Ashley	Mathematics
8N	Hannah Lloyd	Miss Bailey	German
8N	Francesca Gorman	Miss Magnus	History
8N	Zannah Poll	Mrs Aurikko	Science
8P	Ava Willis	Mrs Martindale	Science
8P	Darcy Gunter	Mr Garbett	Music
8P	Evie Waterhouse	Mrs Lees	Library
9C	Hattie Hollyoake	Mrs Knowles	German
9J	Fatima-Kauthar Naqvi	Mrs Neal	Art
9J	Prisha Rajesh	Mrs T Waldron	Biology
9N	Florence Numa	Mrs Dowson	English
9N	Eydee Chilvers	Mrs Tanner	Community
9N	Khaleesi Jerwood	Mrs Busfield	Biology
9N	Olivia Ward	Miss White	Chemistry
10C	Roxanne Fox	Miss Jeffery	English Literature
10C	Kashmira Stimpson	Miss Chalcraft	Mathematics
10J	Zuzanna Poznaniak	Mr Blackbourn	German
10J	Sophie Callow	Mrs Neal	Community
10J	Zuzanna Poznaniak	Mrs Spinks	Mathematics
10N	Lena Szypowska	Mrs C Lord	Mathematics
10P	Jodie Mister	Mr Ganger	Mathematics
10P	Darcey Greenwood	Mr Hempsall	History
115	Sophie Smith	Mr Fovargue	Computer Science
6AB	Imogen Glass	Mrs Lees	Community
6AF	Beatrice Francourt	Mrs Jones	Classical Civilisation
6AF	Sakina Walji	Miss Pettefar	English
6GD	Millie Youngs	Miss Magnus	Community
6JL	Alise-Keita Vitola	Mrs Wilkins	Photography
6NG	Scarlett Phillips	Mrs Tanner	Photography
6TD	Danielle Kupkine	Miss Dunbar	Criminology
6TD	Adya Saju	Mrs Busfield	Community

Sports News

U13 Football

On Wednesday 6th November the U13 football team hosted Giles Academy in round three of the ESFA National Cup. Despite a slow start to the game and a strong, physical opposition, the team grew into the match. After conceding early in the first half the team knew they were playing in a knockout competition so needed to equalize at the very least.

Some substitutions and changes to positions led to the play turning into SHS' favour in the second half with lots of chances created, but the team remained a goal behind due to the opposition's good defending. With a minute left to play, Kaelyn managed to poke home an equalizer to take us into five minutes of extra time. After playing 55 minutes in total the teams were still unable to be separated so there was a penalty shootout was to determine the winners who would progress into Round four.

Giles were to take the first penalty kick, which was bravely saved by SHS goalkeeper Megan. Ruby then stepped up to score our first penalty. The next Giles penalty was again saved by Megan, and Darcey scored ours. The third Giles penalty was hit wide of the post meaning a goal from Emily would secure our place in the next round, Emily scored to the great delight of her teammates who had all worked hard to fight back from being 1-0 down.

Well done to Kaelyn who was awarded 'Player of The Match' by the opposing team, her work rate is exemplary and causes nightmares for the opposition as she literally runs tirelessly covering the entire pitch!

Thank you to Millie and Grace, both Y12 Sports Leadership students, for being lineswomen to assist me refereeing by calling offside, throw-ins, corner and goalkick decisions. This was a great experience for them to officiate a competitive fixture and allows them to be signed off for officiating ten minutes of an activity for the Sports Leadership qualification.

Miss Magnus, PE Department



Referee Course

Spalding High School Physical Education Department are teaming up with Spalding Grammar School to offer 12 students, from each school, the opportunity to become a football referee.

The FA Referee Course is designed to equip new referees with the key skills and knowledge they will need to be able to referee grassroots football matches safely and effectively. It is for people who are:

- * Aged 14 and over
- who want to referee mini soccer, 9 v 9 and/or 11 v 11 football.
- * You must be wanting to actively officiate once you have completed the course as you must complete 5 games in order to be qualified.

The dates of the course are:

Date	Time	Course Day	Venue
Thursday 28th November 2024	18:00 - 21:00	Theory & Practical - Session 1	Spalding Grammar School, Spalding
Sunday1st December 2024	09:00 - 17:00	Theory & Practical - Session 2	Spalding Grammar School, Spalding

- You must attend BOTH sessions to pass so ensure you are available to do so before booking.
- Before the date, you will need to complete some safeguarding course and there is some online learning. Please find below the link below which enables you to book the course.

The FA Referee Course | Lincolnshire FA

The cost of this course is £80. Spaces will be on a first come first serve basis.

Miss Magnus, PE Department

Y7 News

7S Charity Cake Sale

On Tuesday 5th November, 7S hosted a cake sale to raise money for charity. All of Y7 were allowed to come and buy cakes during break. In total, we raised £41.70.

Over the next couple of weeks Y7 will be voting for which charity they want to raise money for this year, and 7S will donate the money they raised to that chosen charity.

Mrs Martin, 7S Form Tutor



Celebrating The Individual in Y7 - Kate Willis, 7J



On the 12th October, my pony Benji and I competed at Horse Of The Year Show in the Enablelink 128 Championship which is such a privilege and honour. Over the summer we travelled up and down the UK to qualify for this show as only 24 riders out of 100s get to ride in this class. There are six qualifiers and I qualified at Welsh Home Pony on the 28th of July. I was so excited when I qualified! At HOYS I came 5th out of 24 of the best 128 riders in the UK!

Benji and I jumped a fantastic clear in the first round with the course being 115cms. This meant we were into the jump off. I gave it my all and Benji tried super hard for me meaning we went clear again and had a super quick time! I was overjoyed to have come 5th as it was both mine and Benji's first time at this show! This has meant we have now also qualified for the Agria 128 Championship at the London International Horse Show on the 22nd of December! There are only twelve qualifying places for this competition so again it is such an achievement to qualify. We are so excited!



Celebrating The Individual in Y7 - Viggie Chung, 7C

Viggie Chung has had a busy few weeks of gymnastics competitions. The first competition was the County Copper Classic Challenge & Voluntary Championships 2024. Viggie finished 1st place overall for her age group following her impressive results of 1st place- Beam, 1st place- Floor and 3rd place overall in the competition of all ages.





The second photo is when Viggie qualified to represent Lincolnshire at the East Midlands Team Finals where she finished 2nd on vault, 4th on floor and 4th place for the Senior Copper Team 12+.

Miss Magnus, PE Department

Y8 Achievements



Ava Willis 8P

Well done to Ava who, in her role as Anti-Bullying Ambassador, has led assemblies this week. Speaking in assemblies takes courage, but you spoke clearly and shared an important message about "Respect".

8S Gymnastics Balances

As part of the Y8 Gymnastics unit, students must work on paired balances thinking about the role of the base and the top and how they can create effective balances they can hold for three seconds.

I have been so impressed already this term with 8S's resilience and creativity, here are just a few balances to show this terms progress:



Edith and Kathryn



Kira and Kasia

Miss Pascoe, Head of Y8

Celebrating The Individual in Y10 and Y11 - Maja Szudek, Freya Willerton, 10S and Siyanda Mlalazi, 11C

At the start of the year, we decided to do Bronze Duke of Edinburgh with RAF Air Cadets. This was an experience in which we had to learn new skills such as map reading, planning routes and perseverance in order to successfully complete the expedition. Although challenging, it helped us gain new skills and brought us closer through the difficulties we faced together.

Our volunteering, physical and skills section, also taught us good communication and organisation along with new skills and hobbies we now enjoy. We are now continuing our journey by doing Silver Duke of Edinburgh, which we hope we will enjoy just as much as Bronze. It is an exciting experience which we recommend to anyone considering it.



Last weekend, also with Air Cadets we represented the Spalding Unit at the Trent Wing Cross Country Championships at RAF Cranwell. Freya was awarded the silver medal. The rest of the team placed in the top eight, qualifying us for the Trent Wing Team where we will be representing the East Midlands at RAF Cranwell this weekend.







Celebrating The Individual in Y10 - Maja Szudek, Freya Willerton and Isabella Wilkinson, 10S

Maja, Freya and Isabella took part in the Remembrance Parade on Sunday at Ayscoughfee and the more intimate one at Springfields on Monday.

On both occasions, the Squadron's leader commended the cadets for their behaviour, focus and discipline.

"We were honoured to take part in such important services remembering all those affected by war, the fallen soldiers, innocent civilians and animals used in warfare. We will never forget the price paid by those who fought for our freedom and protected our way of life."

Miss Neal, Head of Y10











Textiles News

Remembrance Dress 2024

Eve and Nancy, our sixth form prefects, have worked with Y7 & Y8 students in the textile club to produce poppies for our Remembrance Dress. The dress has been completed as a tribute to the sacrifices made by our Armed Forces, both past and present, and has offered the opportunity for reflection, when viewed in the reception area. The dress provides a beautiful and appropriate tribute and I thank the students involved in the creative and thoughtful process of making the dress.



Careers News

Open Evening at Saffery, Peterborough 21st November 5.00-7.30pm

Please see the information below regarding an open event at Saffery in Peterborough for Y12 Y13 students and their parents/carers.

Learn and Earn Peterborough



Register today to attend our event

Date: 21 November 2024 Time: 5:00pm - 7:30pm

Location: Westpoint, Peterborough Business Park, Lynch Wood, Peterborough, PE2 6FZ



Find your place at Saffery

Year 12 and 13 students as well as university students/ graduates and their parents or guardians are invited to our Peterborough office to explore apprenticeships in accounting and finance at Saffery.

We recruit trainees and interns every year into our teams:



Whether you're considering apprenticeships or university, this event is for students who are curious about this career path. We'd love to meet you in person, where our trainees will be on hand to speak to you about their journey with us and give you advice on how to apply. They were in your position not long ago, so don't be afraid to ask questions.

What you'll take away from the event:

Insights into the role and clients

Professional qualification information

What life is like as a trainee

Networking with the team

CV clinic and application advice

With Saffery you work with people who know your name, who know you as a human being, not just a job title. Everyone belongs here.

Agenda

5:00pm -	Students and parents/
5:30pm	guardians arrive
5:30pm - 7:00pm	Talks: The One Group Careers in finance Kaplan (training provider) Studying an apprenticeship in accountancy Saffery: Life as a traince ARU Peterborough: Accounting and finance degree in the city
7:00pm -	Meet the team:
7:30pm	CV clinic

Applications will be open until 31 December 2024. Our application windows are stated on all vacancies online.

If you have any questions about the event, please contact PETSupportTeam@saffery.com

Peterborough railway station with taxi rank: 15 minutes drive. Parking is also available on site.

Find out more here: saffery.com/careers



Potential meets Personal

Support:

As always, we can be contacted by email if parents or students in any year group have any queries:

<u>Dawn.bushell@spaldinghigh.lincs.sch.uk</u> Lucy.obrien@spaldinghigh.lincs.sch.uk

Mrs Bushell, Careers Leader





Upcoming Online Safety Q+A events for Parents

Our Keeping Safe Survey Lincolnshire showed that effective parental/guardian supervision of a child's online activity reduced the risk of children being bullied online by up to 39%. Being able to keep up to date with the latest apps and trends in order to keep your children safe can feel like an overwhelming task. The Stay Safe Partnership deliver Online Safety workshops in Primary and Secondary schools across Lincolnshire everyday. In this event we will give you the most up to date information and tools, so you feel confident that you can keep your children safe from online harm whilst still allowing them to explore the online world. Whether you want to know more around age appropriate apps, online trends, parental controls, social media or any other burning questions this is the event for you! Sign up is required.



Stay Safe Partnerships Online Safety Q+A for **Parents of Primary**Aged Children **20th November 2024 6-7:30pm** FREE TEAMS event sign up required:

https://www.tickettailor.com/events/staysafepartnership/1441939



Stay Safe Partnerships Online Safety Q+A for **Parents of Secondary** Aged Children **26th November 2024 6-7:30 pm** FREE TEAMS event sign up required:

https://www.tickettailor.com/events/staysafepartnership/1441969







Navigating Teen Relationships 9th December 6-7:30pm, FREE TEAMS event sign up required:

When your young person begins to date and become romantically involved with peers, their life can seem exciting, but can also be extremely difficult. Teenagers don't always like to talk about what is happening in their love life however 'Navigating teenage relationships' aims to provide parents and guardians with a toolkit, to support your young person through the complexities of having a healthy relationship.

The Lincolnshire Domestic Abuse Partnership (LDAP) will run a one hour online TEAMS workshop on the 9th December 6-7:30pm. During the evening LDAP will discuss signs of unhealthy relationships, coercive control, love bombing and other red flags to look out for in your teens and where you can get support. The team is also happy to answer any questions you may have through the night.

https://www.tickettailor.com/events/staysafepartnership/1428506

or scan the QR:











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Get ready to jingle all the way at The Chairman's Santa Fun Run a festive race full of cheer and holiday spirit!

Enjoy a 4.5K fun run around Spalding, starting from the Castle Sports Complex Swimming Pool Car Park, Pinchbeck Road, Spalding PE11 1QF

For more information please contact Sam Bradley on: Samantha.Bradley@sholland.gov.uk

Sun 8th December 2024 9.30 am - 11.30am

To sign up for the Santa Fun Run and for more information visit: https://bit.ly/TheChairmansSantaFunRun

You can also scan the QR code:

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