

Spalding High School Weekly Bulletin 19th January 2023



Despite the cold and at times, wet weather, the School sports team have continued their success in cross country and football. Well done to our runners and U13 and U14 teams; you have all done yourselves and the School proud! The cold and wet have also been a challenge for us all with bus duties this week due to the emergency works carried out by Anglian Water, which forced the closure of Stonegate. As a result of the road closure of Stonegate we had to re-jig all of our drop off and collection procedures and although it took a little longer and students had to walk a little further of a morning and afternoon, it all went well. The students coped with the changes to routines brilliantly and I would like to thank the bus companies and local police for their assistance. Staff, as always, came out in droves to supervise crossings to ensure everyone arrived at school safely and I would like to thank them for their continued support.

The HQ Team are busy working on their new reports and articles for Edition 2 of the School magazine. The details of the front cover competition can be found later in this bulletin. It is great that entries have already started to be handed in and we are all looking forward to seeing the entries!

As students and parents are probably already aware, one of the teachers' trade unions have voted to take industrial action in the form of strikes. The NEU will be taking action on 1st February, 1st March and the 15th and 16th March. This is a national dispute over pay and conditions and not a dispute at local or school level. Currently, we are assessing the likely impact in our school should any of our teachers decide to participate in the strike. It is our absolute intention to keep the School open and operational to students on those days, however, we must accept that there may be disruption to lessons. The School will be following the DfE and Local Authority guidance and I will write to students and parents when I have more details of the likely impact together with our plans to minimise the disruption to teaching and learning.

Mrs M K Anderson Headmistress

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	Amelia Fletcher	Miss White	Science
7C	Iris Lucas	Mrs Schwarz	Technology
7 J	Thamrutaa Satheeskumar	Mrs Martindale	Science
7 J	Aliyah Mohamed	Mr Nherera	Mathematics
7N	Hollie Duffill	Mrs Rogers	Geography
7P	Vicky Slee	Mrs Kelleher	Art
8C	Elektra Waite-Robinson	Miss Magnus	Physical Education
8C	Roxanne Fox	Mrs Bennett	Geography
8C	Isobel Biggadike	Mrs Nowak	Mathematics
8N	Samantha Mathew	Miss Bailey	German
8N	Julia Furmanczyk	Mr Wright	Science
8N	Julia Furmanczyk	Mr Blackbourn	Business
8P	Tilly Bagworth	Miss Chalcraft	Mathematics
8P	Darcie Pennington	Ms Almasi	German
85	Kari-Ella Bailey	Mrs Jones	Latin
85	Isla Saterlay	Mrs Aurikko	Science
9C	Sehrish Ibrahim	Mrs Barats	French
9C	Grace Bushell	Mr Murphy	Chemistry
9C	Izzy Herring	Mrs Haunch	Physics
9J	Katie Whittaker	Mrs Love	Drama
9N	Sky Salkeld	Mr Hempsall	History
9N	Cheryl Kalane	Mr McAlinden	History
9N	Jesse-May Bates	Miss Parker	Physical Education
9P	Ava Mason	Mr Fovargue	Computer Science
9P	Elektra-May Harris	Mrs Wilkins	Technology
9P	Klaudia Pacholska	Mrs Waldron	Religious Studies
9P	Poppy Carr	Mrs Clay	Latin
9S	Zofia Nowak	Mrs Cave	Religious Studies
9S	Freya Brown	Miss O'Sullivan	English

Student of The Week continued

Form	Student	Staff	Reason	
10C	Tessa Suraj	Mrs J lord	English Language	
10C	Fiza Niaz	Mrs Lord	Mathematics	
10 J	Isabella Kirk	Mr Garbett	Music	
1 0J	Ayse Ciftepala	Mrs Ray	English	
10N	Jorja Richmond	Mrs T Waldron	Biology	
10N	Sophia Wheeler	Miss Jeffery	English Language	
10S	Beth Stewart	Mrs Neal	Art	
10 S	Ruby Wilding	Mrs Hickman	Spanish	
11C	Giverny Frankland	Mrs Busfield	Biology	
11J	Joely Fordham	Mr Blackbourn	Business	
11J	Harriet Mowbray	Miss Ashley	Mathematics	
11N	Kashvi Sharma	Mrs Bushell	French	
11N	Gracie Green	Mr Ganger	Mathematics	
6AB	Natalia Hulley	Mr Martindale	Technology	
6AF	Sami Hussein-Greene	Mrs Hebblewhite	Psychology	
6FM	Erin Barlow	Miss Rossouw	Psychology	
6GD	Lexie Cave	Miss McArthur	Religious Studies	
6KM	Rhiannon Baker	Miss Pettefar	English Language	
6NG	Kiera Harvey	Mr Love	Law	

PE News

U13 Football

On Friday 6th January the U13 football team completed their journey in the ESFA National Cup with a 2-0 defeat to Thorpe St Andrew School from Norwich. The team should be proud of their efforts in the competition; Lexi Duff was selected as Player of the Match for making some brilliant tackles to regain possession and also creating chances when we were attacking.



Miss Magnus, PE

PE News

U14 Football

On Wednesday 11th January, the U14 football team played against Kesteven Girls' High School in the Lincolnshire County Cup. Despite there being torrential rain for the duration of the match, the team played some very good football to secure their place in the next round with a 5-1 win. Player of the Match was awarded to Darcey Grundy for a phenomenal strike and fantastic performance.

On Wednesday 18th January the U14 football team unfortunately bowed out of the ESFA National Cup after reaching Round 5. To make it that far in a national competition is an achievement in itself. The team made the long journey to Stratford Upon Avon School and began the game very well rewarded, taking a 1-0 lead by a fantastic goal coming from Ruby Forsyth on the right wing. Stratford Upon Avon grew into the game and created lots of chances which were initially very well saved by Ava Illott but it was Stratford players who met the rebounds and subsequently finished the chances. The game finished 5-1 but the girls should be proud of their efforts throughout the competition. Player of the Match was awarded to Alesha Rix for excellent defensive play with lots of crucial tackles.



Miss Magnus, PE

PE News

Cross Country

Following a successful performance in October, seven students were selected to represent South Lincolnshire at the Lincolnshire Schools' Cross Country Championships which were held on Saturday 14th January 2023 at Burghley House, in Stamford. Despite the elements and muddy conditions, four students qualified at the event to represent Lincolnshire in the Anglian Championships in February. Well done to all of the student who competed!



Miss Parker, PE

High Quarterly Front Cover Competition

Could you be the artist of the front cover for edition two of the Spring High Quarterly?

We are launching a competition to design the front cover of the Easter Edition of HQ. Entries can use a variety of mediums or photographic techniques and will be judged by the High School Art Department.

Your entry must be your own personal work and can be colour or black and white but must be A4 in size and portrait orientation. Your entry should have your name and form on the reverse.

Hand your entry in to the School Reception, no later than Friday 24th February 2023.

Judging will take place in the week of Monday 27th February, and the winner will receive not just the prestige of having their artwork adorn the next edition, but also a wonderful prize!

Runners up will also receive prizes and their artwork published in the Easter edition of the HQ.

Mrs M K Anderson, Headmistress

History Department - Term 3

"Few will have the greatness to bend history itself; but each of us can work to change a small portion of events, and in the total of all those acts will be written the history of this generation." —Robert Kennedy

What are we studying this half term?

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13
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Life in Medieval Britain	Causes and events of WW1	Weimar Germany, 1918- 1923	Cold War flashpoints, 1956-68	Medicine in Britain since 1840	Society & cultural change in 20th century Britain The 'New Deal' in America	Local Government in Tudor England

<u>Further research into the past– our recommendations for this half term</u>

- Rise of the Nazis: The Downfall (BBC iPlayer documentary)
- Mysteries of the Bayeux Tapestry (BBC iPlayer documentary)
- Dan Snow's History Hit Podcast
- We Didn't Start the Fire: The History Podcast

How can I support learning at home?

- 1. Quizzing your child: ask for their knowledge organisers and the recent areas they have studied use these to quiz them.
- 2. Ask your child about the reasons for key events they have studied: check which events they have covered recently. E.g. Why do some people blame Germany for starting WW1?
- 3. Years 9-11: Further support can be found using websites such as <u>BBC Bitesize</u>, <u>GCSE Modern World History</u> (johndclare.net) and <u>www.continuityoak.org.uk/lessons</u>

Mr Hempsall, Head of History & PSHE

<u>Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum (LPCF) Week of SEND 23-28 January 2023</u>

A Happy New Year to all from the SEND department. We would like to promote the LPCF Week of Send, for parents of children with additional needs. This is a free virtual event with many 10-minute slots. The aim of the event is to give attendees as much information, support and help as possible. If parents and carers haven't already signed up to the Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum, we would recommend they do so. There is a wealth of information and support available. Please see the attached poster for more details.

Mrs Hickman, SENDCo

English Department

We are very excited to offer a fantastic live event/ extra-curricular opportunity to our students...

English Literature: University Book Club – Dracula by Bram Stoker With Dr Nola Merckel From University of East Anglia

Monday 6th February 2023 at 15:45 - 16:45



In this live and interactive **Book Club**, Dr Nola Merckel, a leading academic from the School of Literature, Drama and Creative Writing at the University of East Anglia, UEA discuss/debate **Dracula** by **Bram Stoker**.

UEA invite the audience to shape the discussion with presubmitted and live questions and thoughts relating to key themes of the text.

Expect a lively and dynamic session in which you will hear a wide range of different perspectives and insights, and feel safe to contribute your own.

Lecturer Profile (Please Click): Dr Nola Merckel

Suitable for: KS4 and KS5 Students studying, or with a more general interest in, *Dracula*. In addition, students with a possible interest in a degree in English Literature and related disciplines will gain an understanding of how texts are discussed in tutorials.

Preparation/Pre-Reading: Students may wish to familiarise themselves with Dracula and we encourage students to share their questions and insights prior to the session.

The event will be live streamed to the Sixth Form Common Room on Monday 6th February 2023 at 15:45 - 16:45.

You must sign- up on the list in Room 5 to register your place.

Please come to the Wednesday 1:1 drop in or the KS4 Thursday clinic to submit your questions.

Mrs Lord, Head of English

Careers Update

University of Cambridge Webinars

The University of Cambridge is hosting a series of webinars starting at the end of January for students and parents/carers to find out more about applying for courses at the university. It is possible to sign up now in readiness. The webinars will be running from 5.00-6.00pm.

Think Cambridge | Undergraduate Study

Year 12 Work Experience

The work experience week for Year 12 students this academic year is 3rd-7th July. An important consideration when looking for a placement is that employers hosting students must have Employers' Liability Insurance. Letters have now been sent to parents/carers with more information and students have been spoken to in assembly about next steps to get everything arranged.

Apprenticeship Assemblies

Last week we welcomed James Donald from the College of West Anglia into school to give a presentation about apprenticeships to students in Years 7-8. This was an introduction to the apprenticeship pathway as an option post-16. On Tuesday, Robert Wright from Steadfast Training joined us for the apprenticeships assembly for students in Years 9, 10 and 11 and he joined us again on Wednesday for the Sixth Form assembly about apprenticeships.

National Apprenticeship Week is 6th-12th February. ASK Apprenticeships has arranged a series of free webinars throughout the week, many of which are in the evenings. This is a great opportunity to find out more about apprenticeships. Please see the attachment with this bulletin for more information.

Support:

As always, we can be contacted by email if parents or students in any year group have any queries: Dawn.bushell@spaldinghigh.lincs.sch.uk
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Mrs Bushell, Careers Leader