

Spalding High School

Weekly Bulletin

3rd November 2022



Welcome back to Term 2! I hope that everyone had a lovely half term holiday and have recharged their batteries for the weeks ahead of us this term. Despite the wet and windy weather we have experienced this week already, it has been very pleasing to review what lies ahead of us for this term with Christmas on the horizon. After two Christmases very much affected by Covid and the pandemic, where events, if they could be held, were done so virtually, we are all looking forward to a full range of festive celebrations. There really is a lot to look forward to and not all of them Christmas related:

- Thursday 17th November – Sixth Form Information Evening.
- Friday 18th November – Children In Need non-uniform day – Mrs Ray and the Prefect Team are already planning this and more news will follow next week.
- Wednesday 23rd November – GCSE Presentation Afternoon, where we will present last year's Y11 with their GCSE Certificates.
- Thursday 1st December – The annual Year 7 Christmas Tree Competition.
- Friday 2nd December – The Key Stage 3 Christmas Disco.
- Monday 5th December to Wednesday 7th December – The Christmas Craft Stall.
- Friday 9th December – Bring A Tin Day in support of Spalding Agape Food Bank.
- Friday 9th December – School Christmas Panto.
- Monday 12th December – Staff and Sixth Form Christmas Meal.
- Tuesday 13th December to Thursday 15th December – Christmas lunch in the Canteen.
- Tuesday 13th December – The Christmas Concert.
- Wednesday 14th December – The Christmas Church Service.
- Thursday 15th December – Y13 Leavers' Presentation Afternoon, where we will present last year's Y13 with their A Level Certificates.

OK – so actually, most of our events are Christmas related, but we do also have a number of departmentally based events and functions going on this term too, so I am sure that there will be lots to read about in upcoming School Bulletins each week!

This week also saw the re-launch of our School Magazine, The High Quarterly, or HQ for short. I mentioned this in a School Bulletin in the summer and asked for volunteers from our student and parent body. Thank you to those who came forward. This week the list of volunteers has increased still further and there will be a meeting next week to start to prepare our first edition for several years. We are looking forward to a bumper digital edition to be sent home just before the end of Term 2. Should students wish to add their name to the list of volunteers, please pop along to Reception before Wednesday next week and write your name on the list. If parents/carers are able to help, please contact:

enquiries@spaldinghigh.lincs.sch.uk. Your help is much appreciated.

Have a good Term 2!

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.

7C	Iris Lucas	Mrs Waldron	Religious Education
7C	Iris Lucas	Mrs Wilkins	Art
7C	Georgia Bailey	Miss Magnus	Physical Education
7J	Holly Claydon	Mrs Rogers	Geography
7N	Anastasija Rumika	Miss Ashley	Mathematics
7P	Madeline Rose	Miss O'Sullivan	Drama
8C	Paige Goddard	Mr Garbett	Music
8C	Karolina Gren	Miss White	Science
8J	Lilah Teeuw	Mrs Neal	Art
8N	Ellen Wright	Miss McArthur	Religious Education
8N	Charlie Hallissey	Miss Jones	Physical Education
8S	Paris Webb	Mrs Love	English
9C	Yashica Aryan	Miss Chalcraft	Mathematics
9C	Rhiannon Street-Ledger	Miss Jeffery	Drama
9J	Abbie Brooke	Frau Almasi	German
9J	Tory Florkowska	Mrs Nowak	Mathematics
9N	Sophie Wilson	Mrs Bennett	Geography
9N	Eloise McGovern	Mr Fovargue	Computer Science
9N	Eloise Moore	Mr Groom	History
9S	Vivien Kudla	Miss Bailey	German
9S	Zofia Nowak	Mr McAlinden	History
10C	Lucy Searson	Mr Love	Community
10J	Jessica Bird	Mrs Knowles	French
10N	Amelia Harley	Mr Blackburn	Business Studies
10N	Gabriele Kovanaite	Mrs Kelleher	Art
10P	Evie-Mae Russell	Mr Wright	Biology
10S	Martha Cook	Mrs Waldron	Biology
10S	Brooke Godley	Mrs Martindale	Biology
10S	Megan Sieling	Miss Parker	Physical Education
10S	Lexi Withers	Mrs Spinks	Mathematics
11N	Raechel Simon	Mrs Busfield	Biology
11N	Kimran Klair	Mrs Aurikko	Biology
11N	Lily Roberts-Anchor	Mrs Lord	English
11P	Gabriella Aistrup Mancera	Mrs Ray	English
11P	Bea Feaviour	Mrs Martin	Mathematics
11S	Saniya Solly	Mr Hemsall	History
6AB	Keida Kempston	Mr Martindale	Technology
6AF	Trixie Mayne	Mrs Jones	Latin
6EK	Carolina De Silva	Mrs Clay	French
6FM	Ethan Lyford	Miss Pettefar	English
6IW	Charlotte Smith	Mrs Fisk	Drama
6LM	Emily Rooke	Mrs Haunch	Community
6NG	Lottie Hemmings	Miss Dunbar	Sociology
6SC	Hannah Tegerdine	Mrs Haunch	Community

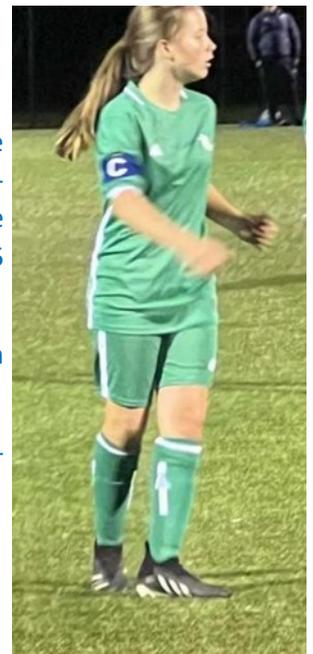
PE NEWS

County Football Team selections

The PE Department were delighted to be informed of two pupils being selected for the Lincolnshire County team following trials with nominees from schools across Lincolnshire. Darcey Grundy in Year 8 was not only selected for the team but was also given the Captaincy at her first Lincolnshire representative match, leading her team to a fantastic 5 -1 win.

Ava Marshall has also been selected to represent the Under 16 Lincolnshire County team and has played one match so far at right back against Worcester County Team.

Both pupils are looking forward to their next opportunities to represent their Lincolnshire County teams.



Netball

"Last term, the Y9 Netball team had a successful few games. We came fourth in the tournament and all of us played really well. We also played Deeping School where we won, and also UAH. Spalding Academy was a very tight and exciting match, but thankfully we managed to come back with more goals in the final few quarters, winning 14 - 8 . Everyone has been going to the lunchtime club to improve and our teamwork really shows when we play. We are hoping for more games and wins over the course of this year!"

Lucy Gough, Y9 Netball Captain

New Staff

Mrs Reddy-Devlin — Design Technology

"Although I am working at Spalding High for two days a week, these two days are an absolute pleasure for me. Staff were welcoming from the beginning of term at our first lunch together in September. Pupils are delightful, engaged and inquisitive learners, which makes teaching rewarding and a pleasure. I work in a wonderful department with a great team and particularly with a supportive and kind HOD. I am very grateful to work with such a strong body of professionals and highly motivated pupils."

Celebrating the Individual in Year 8 – Eleanor Seer 8P

Who Are The Sea Cadets?

Sea Cadets is the largest youth maritime charity in the UK and is run by the charity The Marine Society & Sea Cadets (MSSC). They seek to help young people between the age of 10 and 18 years gain the best possible head start in life through nautical adventure and fun. Sea Cadets is supported by, but not part of the Royal Navy. Whilst many of the cadets go on to careers in the maritime sector the primary goal is to create an environment in which the 14,000 young people can flourish and so aid their futures, whatever these may be.



Eleanor Seer has been selected from over 14,000 cadets to represent the cadets at the Cadet Conference held in Doncaster. Eleanor recently achieved her level 1 qualification in sailing and her level 2 qualification in power boating and now holds a power boating license! This is a great achievement for any 12 year old.



As part of her extra curriculum activities she also achieved a gold medal in Bar at a recent gymnastics club competition! Congratulations Eleanor and good luck at the conference.



It is fantastic to celebrate and share individuality and determination – please email me if you would like to share your achievements with the school community. It is fascinating to see how much the students are achieving outside of school.

Mrs Neal

Head of Year 8

School Vacancies

Midday Supervisor

We are seeking to appoint a Midday Supervisor to join our school team. The Job Description and Application Form are available from Mrs Kingerley upon request. Applicants should complete an Application Form and return to Mrs Kingerley (Suzanne.kingerley@spaldinghigh.lincs.sch.uk) by no later than noon on Friday 11th November. Interviews will be held during the week beginning Monday 14th November. The post is for 7 hours per week for 38 weeks a year and the salary would be Grade 2 (£2,906 per annum). Experience is not necessary, as full training will be provided.

Cover Supervisor

We are seeking to appoint a Cover Supervisor to join our school team. The Job Description and Application Form are available from Mrs Kingerley upon request. Applicants should complete an Application Form and return to Mrs Kingerley (Suzanne.kingerley@spaldinghigh.lincs.sch.uk) by no later than noon on Friday 11th November. Interviews will be held during the week beginning Monday 14th November. The post is for 32.5 hours per week for 39 weeks a year and the salary would be Grade 4 (£20,043-£21,269 per annum pro rata).

Children in Need - Friday 18th November

On Friday 18th 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-uniform. There is no big fancy dress theme this year. There should be no inappropriate outfits and no offensive slogans are to be worn.



Careers Update

Year 10

Well done to Year 10 students who have already confirmed their work experience placement and submitted their form to Mrs O'Brien. Anyone who has a confirmed placement but has not yet handed the form in, could they please do so as soon as possible. The deadline for returning the 'Placement Confirmation Form' is Friday 18th November 2022.

We still have a number of outstanding voluntary contribution slips and payments. Please ensure these are returned as soon as possible, as the deadline of 31st October 2022 has now passed.

Year 11

In order to support our Year 11 students with their plans for after GCSEs, Mrs O'Brien will shortly be starting one-to-one guidance appointments.

Many schools and colleges are currently opening their doors to Year 11 students to give them a taste of their courses/subjects on offer. We have spoken to students in PSHCE lessons about the importance of research and visiting open evenings in preparation for next year after GCSEs. We have our open evening on 17th November which we hope students will attend with parents/carers.

Unifrog launch

We are excited to launch Unifrog in school as a careers platform for all students to use. The Unifrog platform is designed to support learners in making the most informed decisions about their futures and has a range of tools that are suitable for all year groups. Each student has their own personal account that provides a wide range of information related to their interests and aspirations. Key features of the platform include:

- Exploring Pathways – personality quizzes, career and subject profiles, MOOCs and webinars
- Recording – self-reflection about extracurricular activities and key employability skills
- Opportunities – search tools showing live vacancies/courses/placements for apprenticeships, universities (in the UK and abroad), FE, virtual work experience and much more
- Applications – tools to help students build applications for a range of pathways (e.g., CVs, Personal Statements, Common App Essays)

Sixth form students will be setting up their Unifrog accounts from this week. Students in Years 7-11 will have an introduction to the platform during form time in the next fortnight and their accounts will be available from 14th November to start using.

We have also set up a parent/carer login so that you can use Unifrog as if you were a student yourself, allowing you to support your child throughout the process. The sign up code you need is: **SPHLparents** and you can sign up here: www.unifrog.org/code

Please see the introductory video link below:

[Parents- an introduction to Unifrog \(loom.com\)](#)

Support:

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

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Mrs Bushell (Careers Leader)