

Spalding High School Weekly Bulletin 23rd March 2023



This week we have had an amazing series of Achievement Assemblies, with the Sixth Form Assembly finishing the week tomorrow. A staggering 2,389 certificates have been presented this week covering an array of achievements from Subject Awards to Excellents. Amongst the awards given this week were a new set of School Colours—School Colours are one of the most prestigious honours given as they recognise significant representation of the School community. Our new School Colours were awarded to the members of the School HQ Magazine Team who had attended virtually every meeting and been instrumental in creating Edition One (Christmas 2022) and Edition Two (Easter 2023) which will be shared with students, parents and staff next week.

It is opportune at this point to remind the School community that there will not be a Bulletin next Thursday due to the release of the HQ.

Well done to all who have received awards in the Achievement Assemblies this week, together with the Year 7 Netball Team and Year 8 and Year 10 Futsal Teams who you can read more about inside.

Mrs M K Anderson, Headmistress

Summer 2023 Examination Series

Please find below a reminder for all parents, carers and students of this year's exam periods.

- ⇒ GCSE exams will take place from Monday 15th May 2023 to Wednesday 21st June 2023
- ⇒ GCE (A Level) exams will take place from **Tuesday 16th May 2023** to **Monday 26th June 2023**

The Contingency Day is **Wednesday 28th June 2023**, and there are contingency afternoons on **Thursday 8th June 2023** and **Thursday 15th June 2023**. These will be used if a significant, unexpected event arises nationally or locally during the exam period such that no students (or a large number of them) are able to take an exam when planned. <u>Students should be available to take examinations up to and including this date (**Wednesday 28th June 2023**).</u>

The updated generic timetables are available on the school website and individual student timetables will be issued in late February/early March.

Mrs Smith, Exams Officer

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
7 J	Aliyah Mohamed	Miss Jones	Physical Education
7 J	Minahil Ali	Mrs J Lord	English
7N	Lilia Lancashire	Mr Garbett	Music
7 S	Jasmine Bridger	Mrs Martin	Community
7 S	Ruby Mantle	Miss Parker	Physical Education
8C	Charlotte Smith	Mrs Bennett	Geography
8J	Dolly Stevens	Miss McArthur	Religious Education
8S	Amy Green	Miss Parker	Physical Education
85	Emilia Tokarska Da Silva	Mr Martindale	Technology
85	Isabella Wilkinson	Mrs Knowles	French
9C	Ella Lynn	Mrs Neal	Art
9C	Nicole Lesiak	Mrs Barats	French
9N	Katie Blake	Miss Pettefar	English
9P	Ava Mason	Miss Magnus	Physical Education
9P	Scarlet Broderick	Mrs Clay	Latin
10C	Amelia Green	Miss White	Chemistry
10C	Sheba Sunil	Mrs Lord	Mathematics
10J	Briony Sweeting	Mrs Haunch	Physics
10N	Alise-Keita Vitola	Mr Fovargue	Computer Science
10N	Missy Toynton	Mr Blackbourn	Business
10P	Betsy Neil	Miss O'Sullivan	English
10P	Samia Rahman	Mrs Bushell	French
10 S	Beth Stewart	Miss Bailey	German
10S	Ellie Rendell	Mrs Aurikko	Chemistry
10S	Ellie Rendell	Mrs Martindale	Biology
11J	Sakina Walji	Mrs Aurikko	Community
6AB	Keida Kempston	Mrs Heblewhite	Psychology
6EK	Evie Booth	Mr Hempsall	History
6FM	Milly Long	Mrs Waldron	Religious Studies
6LM	Anya Bilham	Mrs Kelleher	Art
6LM	Jess Strong	Mrs Haunch	Community
6LM	Jess Strong	Miss Jeffery	Community
6LM	Josh Ruddle	Mrs Bennett	Community

PE News

Year 7 Netball

On Thursday 16th March, the Year 7 team concluded their season at the South Lincolnshire District Schools Netball Tournament. The team played consistently well throughout. It is really pleasing to see the vast improvement each player has made since the start of the year.

The Year 7 team have trained incredibly hard, sometimes training twice a week at lunchtimes. The time, effort and enthusiasm the students have shown has not gone unnoticed and was evident last night with some fantastic netball on display. The team played five 12 minute matches with scores as below:

- 6-1 win against Cowley Academy
- 6-0 loss against Bourne Grammar
- 5-3 win against Boston High
- 2-1 loss against Bourne Academy
- 10-1 win against Giles Academy

The team were rewarded with 3rd place which they should be really proud of. The students represent the School brilliantly with their effort, attitude and sportsmanship and are a pleasure to watch play and work with. Well done on a fantastic first season of netball!



PE News

Sports Leaders - Netball

The PE department would like to thank Kate Storey and Hannah Mukama, from the Year 12 Sports Leaders' Course for their assistance with coordinating the Year 7, 8 and 10 South Lincolnshire District Schools' Netball Tournament. The PE department are grateful to have the support of the Sports Leaders, with positive comments from other schools too. The students helped score, time keep and record results. Pictured below is Kate helping the Year 7s with their shooting technique before the tournament.



Miss Magnus, PE department

Year 8 Futsal

On Wednesday 22nd March, the Year 8 Futsal Team attended the South Lincolnshire Tournament. The team played five games and won four of them which led to them gaining 2nd place overall. Well done!



PE News

Year 10 Futsal

On Tuesday 21st March, the Year 10 Futsal Team competed in a South Lincolnshire Schools' Tournament at Haven High School. The team played brilliantly throughout the tournament leading to them winning all of their matches, which meant they were the overall tournament winners with the following results:

- ⇒ 5-0 vs Haven High
- ⇒ 3-2 vs Thomas Middlecott
- ⇒ 3-2 vs Bourne Grammar
- ⇒ 3-0 vs Bourne Academy



Miss Magnus, PE Department

Lincolnshire at the English Schools' Cross Country Championship

On March 18th, Lottie and Evie Hemmings represented Lincolnshire at the English Schools' Cross Country Championship at Nottingham. This was Lottie's last year of English Schools' competition as she is now in Year 13, and it was one of her targets this cross country season to make the team. Lottie finished 242nd in the senior girls' race and Evie 261st in the intermediate girls' race.

Well done to both students, from the PE department!

Miss Parker, PE department



Textiles

Y10 Streetwear Design Brief

Students in Year 10 DT-Textiles have worked exceptionally well on the following design brief:

You have been commissioned by an independent store to explore 'streetwear' and develop product ideas for them. You will then design and make a high quality prototype sweat top/hoody that incorporates printed images to represent your unique ideas for branding/logos/decoration. You will work with a client of your choice to gain feedback throughout the process.

The result is a fantastic range of individually designed and made hoodies. Images/logos have been computer designed and added using our new sublimation printer and heat press. Use of knitted fabrics is challenging and I hope you agree that the students have done a great job! They are proud to show off their finished hoodies — with attitude!

Mrs Schwarz, Textiles

Year 10 had the opportunity to investigate the aesthetic of streetwear and how it can be styled and worn. Many mood boards were made to show how everyone interpreted it, we looked at many ways in which prints and logos are used. When designing initial ideas for our hoodies, we looked at how logos are positioned and used on hoodies or sweatshirts. This gave us the inspiration we needed to create our own designs and prints. To create our designs, we used the app 'TechSoft', enabling us to draw our logos digitally. They then came to life by using the new sublimation printer in the textiles room. The printer allowed us to transfer our designs onto the fabric of the hoodie. Sublimation printing is a technique that uses inks which are sensitive to the heat, these inks turn into gas under the influence of the heat. After this, we started to assemble our hoodies. New techniques were used, such as seams, top stitching, ease-stitching and working with new materials which had stretch in them. We had choice over the colour and style of fabric, there was a thicker fleece lined fabric and also a thinner jersey fabric. Once everyone had made their final product, we had a class photoshoot!



Careers Update

Year 10 Work Experience – 27th-31st March

We hope all our students going out on work experience next week have a positive and enjoyable experience. We look forward to hearing about your week after the Easter holidays in the debrief session.

Year 12 Work Experience 3rd-7th July

We have been talking to students in Year 12 about their plans for work experience placements in July. Whilst this may seem a long way off, there is a great deal to organise in terms of checks to ensure students are able to go on placement. The deadline date for handing in placement confirmation forms is 21^{st} April. If your child has not found a placement yet or proactively started to look, could you please support and encourage them at home. We are happy to offer advice and assist in school if students come to talk to us in the Careers Office.

Allied Healthcare Mentor Opportunities

If any students in Years 10-12 are interested in gaining experience in allied healthcare roles, the following opportunity may be of interest. Could students please let me know if they sign up.

Help your students explore the exciting world of healthcare. Whether your students are considering nursing, medicine, or any other healthcare profession, this work experience is vital to gain valuable insight to help them make an informed decision! Please click <u>here</u> for the Registration Link.

During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. They will gain a unique insight into how patients interact with a variety of healthcare professionals and what it's like to work in an NHS multidisciplinary team. This includes:

- Nursing
- ♦ Midwifery
- ♦ Paramedicine
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Dietetics
- ♦ Radiography
- Prosthetics and Orthotics
- Speech and Language Therapy
- ♦ Pharmacy

Attendees will have the opportunity to interact with healthcare professionals throughout each day. This will empower students to make informed career decisions and demonstrate their commitment to healthcare in their UCAS applications.

Once they've registered, students will be emailed links to their virtual work experience portals.

Students are awarded a Work Experience Certificate for every session they complete. Those who complete the full 5 -month programme will be awarded a Highly Commended Reference from the Presidents of Allied Healthcare Mentor. These are fantastic additions to their CVs.

Students can register individually at any time throughout the 5-month programme using the link below. We recommend booking early to gain as much out of this programme as possible. Places are £10 a session to cover administrative and technological costs.

https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/ Thank you for highlighting this opportunity to the next generation of NHS workers.

Kindest Regards, Work Experience Team Allied Healthcare Mentor

Enquiry Form: https://airtable.com/shrM6UPT8Z2uxx70L
Allied Healthcare Mentor Helpline: 01530 417299 (Open 10am - 5pm Monday - Friday)

Careers Update

Law Mentor Opportunity

We have a large number of students in school who are either studying law in the sixth form or are interested in doing so. 'Law Mentor' is holding a 'Get into Law' conference in April. Could students please let me know if they sign up. Here is what Law Mentor says about it:

Does your student have an inquisitive mind that belongs in a courtroom? Are they interested in laws, maintaining order, and the potential career paths of a solicitor, barrister, or judge? If so, we have just the event for you!

Our 'Get Into Law' conference on Sat 22nd & Sun 23rd April (9:30 – 2.00pm), is the perfect opportunity to learn everything you need to know about pursuing a career in the legal profession.

Registration Link: https://lawmentor.org.uk/product/get-into-law-conference/

At our conference, you'll have the chance to hear from Judge Emma, who will provide invaluable insights into life within the legal industry. For just £15 entry, she will offer crucial advice on:

- Life as a law student and a solicitor or barrister (realistic insight into law)
- Legal myth-busting and empowering you to achieve your dream
- How competitive is it to 'get into law'?
- What really makes you stand out from the crowd?
- Your application timeline (compartmentalising and working SMART)
- CV, extracurricular activities and transferable skills for law
- The UCAS form key components to be aware of
- The personal statement (and the academic reference)
- Interviews (basics, deeper insights and how to shine)
- Entrance exams: LNAT, Cambridge/Oxford Law Exam and their significance.

The conference will give students insight into what a legal career entails and will provide the building blocks needed to be successful in their application to university. By sharing our expert knowledge about the UCAS application process for law, your students will be provided with all the resources and guidance they need to succeed in their law school applications.

Get into Law registration form:

https://lawmentor.org.uk/product/get-into-law-conference/

*The cost per entry is £15, which covers administrative and technological costs.

Attending this conference is the perfect opportunity to delve further into the law profession and help students learn about the different paths available to them, so they can make an informed decision about their future career.

I look forward to meeting your students soon.

Warmest wishes,

Judge Emma Serrano Chief Law Mentor

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Careers Update

Year 13 – Student Finance Applications

Student finance applications for university courses starting this autumn are now open. Apply by 19th May to ensure that student finance is in place for the start of term. Students do not need a confirmed university place to apply as applications can be made by entering a preferred choice of institution and changed at a later date if necessary.

Student finance: get ready for 2023 to 2024! - Get ready for 2023 to 2024!

<u>Useful</u> webinars about student finance and budgeting to support parents/carers and students

UEA is running an excellent series comprising two online events designed to help students and their parents

understand what financial support is available for university study (30th March) and how to budget and manage
your money (27th April).

HE Guidance: Understanding Financial Support At University With Higher Education Advisers From University of East Anglia - Channel Talent - Interactive school webinars

HE Guidance: How Do I Manage My Money At University? Hear From A Current Student At University of East Anglia - Channel Talent - Interactive school webinars

Careermag

The latest edition of Careermag is now available. This edition contains three sector spotlights: Business, Green Careers and Creative. Careermag - Students & Teachers - Careermap

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

MacMillan Easter Egg Hunt—Spalding

