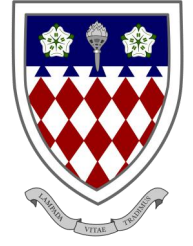


Spalding High School

Weekly Bulletin

26th January 2023



As we are aware, the National Education Union (NEU), which is the largest teachers' union, has voted to take industrial action in the form of strikes on four days in the coming months. These dates are:

- 1st February
- 1st March
- 15th/16th March

Sadly, the negotiation meetings held last week did not result in resolution of the disagreement between the Government and the trade union, and so, at present, schools continue to make preparations for strike action taking place.

At the High School, we will be dealing with one strike day at a time and so the following information applies just to Wednesday 1st February:

- **We fully expect school to be open to all students, all day**
- Our students should **attend school as normal** on Wednesday 1st February, and school transport, catering and first aid provision will continue as normal
- There will be **some impact** on classes during the strike day where colleagues have made the decision to participate in the industrial action. At present this looks to be **limited** to very few colleagues and very few classes. Whilst, this is subject to change as we draw closer to the strike day, and even on the day itself (colleagues do not need to notify school of their intention to strike), we already know that there will be enough staff on site to maintain appropriate supervision of students and maintenance of effective health and safety procedures
- Where colleagues do strike, they will not be setting cover work for classes to do. This means that all students should bring the following with them on the day:
 - ◆ **Homework** or private study materials to complete in lessons where their teacher is striking. These lessons will be run as private study lessons such as those we have on a Friday afternoon
 - ◆ **Revision materials** for upcoming tests or in the case of Year 11 and Year 13, external examinations. Year 10 and Year 12 have internal examinations later this year and could start their preparation or continue wider reading around their subjects if they find their lesson is covered by Senior Staff
 - ◆ **A reading book**
- Classes affected by striking colleagues, will be supervised by members of the Senior Staff. We are hopeful that given the current position, those classes will be in their normal classrooms, but if the number of striking colleagues increases on the day, those classes may be held in the Sports Hall or School Hall. Students should bring their **PE hoodie** with them in case we are in one of the larger and cooler venues.

We will, of course, write to update you further, should the situation change, but let me reiterate, that we are expecting limited impact on a small number of classes and school will be open.

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	Julia Konc	Mrs Knowles	German
7J	Eve Barclay	Mrs Rogers	Geography
7S	Nevaeh Firth	Miss Parker	Physical Education
8J	Mahitha Suresh Babu	Mr Hempsall	History
8N	Jasmine Bate	Mrs Lord	Mathematics
8S	Karina Zokaite	Mrs. Waldron	Religious Education
8S	Emilia Tokarska Da Silva	Mrs Love	English
9C	Siyanda Mlalazi	Mrs Barats	French
9J	Inca Bernasconi-Brown	Mrs Martin	Mathematics
9J	Katie Whittaker	Mrs Gail Dowson	English
9P	Honey Smith	Miss Chalcraft	Mathematics
9P	Nina Plewniak	Mr Fovargue	Computer Science
9S	Alexis Bradshaw	Miss Bailey	German
9S	Sophie Edwards	Mrs Martindale	Biology
9S	Ava Illott	Miss Jeffery	English
10C	Lizzy Newson	Mrs Nowak	Mathematics
10J	Briony Sweeting	Mrs Bushell	French
10J	Briony Sweeting	Mrs Cave	Religious Studies
10S	Brooke Godley	Miss Ashley	Mathematics
10S	Beth Stewart	Miss White	Physics
10S	Eleanor Lloyd	Mrs Jones	Latin
10S	Lowri Hickenbotham	Ms Busby	Food and Nutrition
10S	Cydney Wells	Mr Wright	Biology
11J	Emily Franklin	Mrs Fisk	Drama
11N	Alex James	Mrs Haunch	Form
11P	Taya Yeowell	Mrs Neal	Art
11S	Sreya Joby	Miss Pettefar	English
6AB	Emy Cropper	Mrs J Lord	English Language
6IW	Sheila Silva	Miss Dunbar	Sociology
6LH	Maria Greenfield	Miss Rossouw	Psychology
6NG	Jessica Corney	Mrs Hebblewhite	Psychology
6NG	Jessica Corney	Mrs Gregory	Form
6NG	Freya Wade	Mr Love	Law

PE News

Futsal

I am delighted to say that I have been selected to play in Barcelona against the USA and lots of Spanish teams in a futsal tournament. My team will also be getting private training sessions with professional coaches and a free tour of the Nou Camp (Barcelona's stadium). The team is one of the teams representing England in this fantastic tournament. This is a great opportunity for the team to be challenged and play against other teams of a similar standard. I am really excited for this amazing trip. It gives me a chance to show what I can really do.

Futsal is a form of small-sided indoor football played on a court. The game of futsal is similar to football but played at a higher intensity within a smaller area and with only five players on each team. In futsal you use skills such as quick turns, quick passes and ball skills unlike football where you tend to do long passes to move around the pitch.

Futsal is a professional sport in its own right and is considered a development tool for 11-a-side football.

Please visit www.uefa.com for more information.

Katie Bonarius, 7C.

High Quarterly Magazine

...Introducing '*Miss Unknown*'.

Calling all students of SHS...do you have a problem that you would really like some advice on? '*Miss Unknown*' can help. Write your problems down on a piece of paper and post in the box in Reception. The box will be emptied at the end of every day but the final deadline for submissions is Monday 20th February. *Please note that only sensible submissions which are deemed appropriate for the HQ audience will be published. This new feature will be published in the next HQ magazine.*

This new fun feature will launch on Monday 30th January.

Remember help is always available here at SHS. If you have any worries, concerns or issues do not hesitate to speak to a member of the pastoral team, SLT team or your tutor. Never suffer in silence.

PSHCE - Information for Parents

Spalding Community Alcohol Partnership Survey of Residents 2023

A partnership exists in Spalding to target underage drinking and anti-social behaviour.

CAPs are made up of partnerships between local authorities, police, schools, retailers, neighbourhood groups and health providers, working together to tackle alcohol-related harm to young people and improve the quality of life for residents.



The CAP works closely with the local schools to take a proactive approach to alcohol education, to ensure that young people are equipped to make the right decisions about issues including drugs, anti-social and criminal behaviour.

It also works with local retailers to help them avoid making underage sales and reduce 'proxy' sales where adults buy alcohol for under-18s.

The Partnership would like residents to complete this short survey. It will help them to understand where public concerns are and help direct their work to resolve the issues.

Please click on the Survey Monkey link to access the survey (**parents only**). It will take a maximum of 5 minutes to complete. <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/ZV2V7YD>

Parental drop off and pick up

Can we respectfully remind all parents/carers that they are **not to bring vehicles** onto School property at the start and end of the day to pick up their children. Only those with previously agreed medical dispensation (for example a broken leg) may use the visitor bays outside reception and only when a medical needs plan has been agreed with the Head of Year.

Can we also remind parents that the parking restrictions at the front of the School apply. Cars should not be dropping off on the zig zag lines or bus bays, and the Matmore Gate drive way is not to be used as a turning circle. The School Transport Plan is available on the School website and we would ask parents to abide by these procedures in order to keep our students as safe as possible.



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](#)

Careermag for School Leavers

Careermag for School Leavers is a termly publication with information for school aged children and their parents/carers offering support and information on careers and qualifications. It is quick and easy to sign up for this and is delivered straight into email inboxes. There are some very useful articles about all progression routes and spotlight articles on several sectors including aeronautical engineering in the most recent edition. Here is the link: <https://resources.careersandenterprise.co.uk/resources/careermag-school-leavers>

Upcoming InvestIN Webinars for Parents/Carers

InvestIN is a UK-based organisation that provides students aged 12-18 with an immersive experience of a selection of careers. InvestIN has two upcoming webinars for parents/carers to learn more about how to support their child: [Events for Parents | InvestIN – InvestIN Education](#)

1st February – Communicating with Confidence:

- How your child can become an effective communicator through developing their emotional intelligence and engaging their active listening skills
- Why communication will be necessary for every child in their futures, with a panel of industry experts explaining how the skill is used across a variety of different industries
- The importance of developing students' confidence for all forms of communication including public speaking

15th March – Engineer Your Future:

- Why engineering jobs are becoming increasingly popular and how the industry is changing for the future
- The core skills students will need to break into the industry and what they can be doing now to know it is the right career for them
- Raising awareness of alternative avenues and arising opportunities that students can take advantage of to support their engineering future

National Apprenticeship Week – 6th-12th February

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.

Students in school will be using resources in tutor time to find out more about apprenticeships.

Support:

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

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