

Spalding High School Weekly Bulletin 29th June 2023



Last week ended on a real high with the Summer Concert. I know that there will be a full report appearing in the Summer Edition of the High Quarterly, but I wanted to say a tremendous "thank you" to Mr Garbett and all of our musicians, singers and performers as well as all those who helped behind the scenes to ensure the evening ran so smoothly and successfully. It really was an amazing evening! The School Hall was full to capacity and the programme contained musical performances to satisfy every taste. Controversially, no Coldplay this time around, but ABBA was well represented along with lots of upbeat performances, sure to get toes tapping. It was also an emotionally charged evening and I cannot recall quite so many tears being shed. For our Year 13 performers and some of our Year 11 it was their last concert at the High School. This is indeed sad for all of us, not least of all because many of the Year 13 and Year 11 (and their performing parents) have supported musical events at the High School for many, many years. I hope that we will continue to see you all come back as visiting performers in the future! Clearly students and staff felt the same and we all enjoyed the very touching tribute at the end of the evening to Mr Garbett along with a special performance of the Chamber Choir supported by Mrs Brown. Well done to all!

Talking of "well done" – goodness me – EXCELLENT news on the rounders front and congratulations now to every single High School year group team in the SLSSA Tournaments!

NEU Industrial Action on Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July

Spalding High School will be open to <u>all</u> students on both days of the planned action and students should attend school as normal.

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	Mia Mills	Mrs Fisk	Drama
7C	Mia Mills	Mrs Wilkins	Art
7 J	Elixir Hussein	Mrs Waldron	Religious Education
7N	Isabella Brook	Mr Garbett	Music
7N	Rimsha Fatima Halani	Mrs Lees	Library
7N	Ruby Spicer	Mrs Spinks	Mathematics
7P	Daisy Young-Smith	Mrs Aurikko	Community
7P	Katie Cawson	Miss O'Sullivan	English
7P	Roxy Acton	Mrs Aurikko	Science
8C	Loma Mlunjwa	Miss Pettefar	English
8J	Harriet Laing	Mrs Martindale	Science
8N	Ellen Wright	Miss Bailey	German
85	Giovanna Ramalho Gomes	Mrs Jarvis	Community
85	Paris Webb	Mrs Knowles	French
9C	Lilly Howells	Mrs Busfield	Biology
9C	Nicola Burke	Mrs Barats	French
9J	Abbie Brooke	Mrs Haunch	Physics
9J	Hannah Sporton	Mr Fovargue	Computer Science
9J	Poppy Miller	Mrs Bennett	Geography
9J	Poppy Miller	Mr McAlinden	History
95	Eve Goodall	Mrs Schwarz	Textiles
9S	Sophie Smith	Mr Ganger	Mathematics
10C	Erin Taylor	Mrs Bushell	German
10C	Lily Theyer	Mrs Hoodless	Community
10C	Morgan Theyer	Mrs Hoodless	Community
10C	Vanessa Bulwa	Mrs Neal	Art
10J	Chloe Ham	Mr Hempsall	History
105	Emily Wright	Mrs Busfield	Community
105	Zora Allen	Mrs Bennett	Community
6GD	Maisie Miller	Miss Dunbar	Criminology

PE News

Y7 Rounders

The Y7 Rounders Teams participated in the SLSSA Tournament on Wednesday 21st June. The team played against University Academy Long Sutton (UALS), University Academy Holbeach (UAH) and The Deepings School. The team should be incredibly proud of themselves for a fantastic team display with excellent individual performances. Over the three matches the team scored a total of 23 ½ rounders which is really impressive particularly for Y7s, as for many this was their first experience of competitive rounders.

The first match was against UAH and finished 10 to 1½. The second match was against UALS with another convincing victory of 8 rounders to 1. The third and final match was against Deeping who had also won their first two matches, our team batted first scoring 5½ rounders from 20 good balls and a very mature and focused fielding display led to catching four of their team out and Deeping only scoring ½ a rounder in total.

I was very impressed with not only the excellent batting and fielding performances of the team, but also the way they conducted themselves, helped and encouraged one another and their sportsmanship with the other schools. Well done to Lily for her consistent bowling throughout the tournament with very few no balls; Katie for scoring the most of any batter with 6½ overall and the rest of the team for their effective communication, decision making, and teamwork.

This victory also means that each year group of SHS has won their SLSSA tournament in 2023- a brilliant achievement so well done to everyone involved with each of the teams.



Miss Magnus, PE Department

Maths Department

Y7 Maths Day—Monday 10th July

On Monday 10th July we have an exciting opportunity for all Y7 pupils to participate in a Maths Day. The day will enable pupils to work as a team as well as individually, working through different Maths problems like Code Breaking, Taxes, Logic Games or Maths Curve Stitching.

Students will encounter a variety of challenges most of which can be solved within a few minutes, but which require collaborative learning skills with careful strategic planning, in order to find a solution. The programme teaches students how to persevere, put their own skills to better use as part of a team and overcome difficulties by approaching problems from a different perspective.

Students are expected to wear normal school uniform on the day and will need to bring a pen and calculator with them.

Mrs Nowak, Deputy Head of Maths Department

English Department

Y8 English Enrichment Trip - A Midsummer Night's Dream Workshop, New Theatre, Peterborough

We have arranged an exciting curriculum enrichment day for Y8 students to participate in theatre workshops exploring 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' and 'Shakespeare in Performance' at The New Theatre, Peterborough on Monday 10th July 2023. This is an amazing opportunity for the students to enhance their understanding of the characters and themes from the play through practical exploration.

We will be leaving school at 9.30am and we will travel by coach to The New Theatre in Peterborough. The students will participate in three workshops throughout the day, and we will return via the same route to Spalding High School, and expect to arrive at approximately 3.30pm.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £20 to cover the travel costs, the workshops, and the hire of the theatre. The students will need to bring a packed lunch, and plenty of water to drink due to the practical nature of the day. The students will be in non-uniform but they should wear appropriate, loose, and comfortable clothing that is suitable for practical activities.

Please pay online:

If you do not have an on-line account set up yet, please contact the Finance Office and request an access code letter.

When on-line, if you go into the "Trips and Events" section, "T – Y8 Drama Day – July 2023".

Payment is required by Friday 30th June 2023

If you wish to use PP for your child, please either tick the box and return the form, or email

joanne.pryke@spaldinghigh.lincs.sch.uk confirming your request.

Please <u>click here</u> to complete the consent form.

Unfortunately, the School does not have the funds to subsidise trips, we rely on parental payments to enable these enrichment opportunities to run. Should you have any queries regarding payment, please contact Mrs Fox, Bursar in confidence.

Mrs T Fisk, Deputy Head of English and Head of Drama



for a voluntary contribution of £20 to cover the travel costs, the workshops, and the hire of the theatre. The

Y9 Activity Day—Monday 10th July

On Monday 10th July, the Year 9 students will be learning about The Civil Rights Movement. They are watching the film Selma and will be completing group work on this topic. Students <u>will</u> be wearing school uniform on the day but may like to bring their art overall if they want to paint. All equipment will be provided on the day but they may bring additional art equipment if they wish to e.g. pens and pencils.

Mrs McCarthy, Head of RE and Citizenship

Careers Department

Y10 Futures Day — Monday 10th July

We hare excited to announce that we have organised a 'Futures Day' for Y10 students on Monday 10th July. Students will be off timetable for the day and will take part in five sessions:

Activity 1 - Higher Education

Activity 2 - College/Further Education

Activity 3 - Employability and Interview Skills (DWP - Department for Work and Pensions)

Activity 4 - Unifrog as a careers research and destinations platform

Activity 5 – Team building skills led by an Army outreach team

We hope that the day will offer students the opportunity to ask any questions they have and discuss their plans and aspirations with each other, the visiting presenters and their tutors. Students should bring their planner and pencil case but will not need their books for that day's lessons.

As the session with the Army will be a physical activity, students should wear their school PE kit for the day.

Mrs Bushell, Careers Leader

Y12 Futures Day—Monday 10th July

We would like to wish all of our Y12 students luck for their work experience next week. We hope that they will find it a valuable and worthwhile experience and we look forward to hearing all about it on their return.

To follow this, we will be holding a Y12 Futures Day on Monday 10th July. To find out more about the fabulous range of presentations and workshops on offer, please click **here**.



Year 12 Futures Day

Monday 10th July 2023 sway.office.com

The day will run according to the normal school timetable and students should dress according to the Sixth Form Dress code as normal.

The Sixth Form Team

Environment Committee

This week the Environmental Committee gathered together the ring pulls collected so far by forms in school for our ring pull collection project. All ring pulls will be donated to the purple community fund charity to be upcycled into things such as bags and bowls that can help whole communities. To advertise this project launch, we held a competition and challenged forms to craft their own container out of recycled materials to collect their ring pulls in, and we were overwhelmed by the effort and creativity that the form groups put in! We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who took part, and for all the ring pulls that were collected.

The winner of the container competition was 7P! We were so impressed with your monster container and the concept of feeding it your ring pulls! You're creativity and designing was amazing so thank you very much!

We have also given out an extra prize to 7C, as we were amazed at the huge amount of ring pulls they collected as a form!

We will continue our ring pull collection into the next academic year, and will give out prizes at the end of each term for the form who collects the most ring pulls - so keep up the fantastic work!



Careers Update

Y12 Work Experience Week

We hope that Y12 students enjoy their work experience next week. Students are going to a large range of different placements in various locations, locally and further afield.

We are looking forward to hearing about your experiences upon your return.

Y10 students visit Boston College

A group of Y10 students visited Boston College on Friday 23rd June to experience a taster session of their choice. The sessions included:

- Hair & Beauty
- Animal Care
- Music
- Computing
- Business
- Travel & Tourism
- Sport
- Uniformed Public Services
- Early Years

The students on the trip were very positive about the experience and on our return to school, we had an hour to research college courses further in the computer room. The students asked many questions about different types of Post 16 courses and have started to look at dates for open evenings in the autumn term.



Skye Wright enjoyed her session in music where she worked collaboratively with a student from another visiting school to compose a new song.



Boston College trip students

Careers Update

Youth STEMM Award Assembly

On Monday 26th June, 11 members of the Y9 Youth STEMM Award group presented an assembly to Y7 & 8 students about what they have been doing during the year to work towards achieving the award. The students researched the content and practised and presented the assembly as part of the 'Engaging the Public' module of the award.

To complete the Youth STEMM Bronze Award, students must take part in and log 45 hours of extra-curricular activities relating to STEMM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, Medicine). The modules within the award are:

- 10 hours to 'Engage the public'
- 10 hours to 'Inspire the next generation'
- 10 hours to 'Develop your skills and knowledge'
- 15 hours to 'Shape your future'

The lively assembly was delivered by the following students in Y9 who all worked collaboratively together. Well done to all the students.

Abbie Brooke, Grace Bushell, Daisy Davis, Holly Gleave, Sehrish Ibrahim, Harsimrat Kaur, Jessica Millar, Sky Salkeld, Daria Spataru, Sophie Wilson and Olivia Winter.

Careers Fair in School – 12th July

We will be holding our careers fair on 12th July during the school day when all students will have the opportunity to attend. If any students in Ys 11 or 13 wish to attend they would be welcome to do so in the afternoon from 1.40-2.40pm. If they come into school, could they please sign in at main reception before coming to the sports hall.

We have representatives from the following businesses, services and education providers attending:

Handelsbanken	Access Creative College	Bakkavor	Lincolnshire Community and Voluntary Service
Inspire+	Coveris	University of East Anglia (UEA)	Loughborough University
Allison Homes	University of Lincoln	Riseholme College	Lincolnshire Police
NHS Talent Academy	Steadfast Training	WCF Ltd (WCF Chandlers & Progreen)	Worldwide Fruit Ltd
Burmor Construction	Calthrops Solicitors LLP	Army	Inspire Education Group - Peterborough College, Stamford College and University Centre Peterborough
Eastern School of Performing Arts	Former SHS Sixth Form students – our 'Alumni'		

Careers Update

University Centre Peterborough – Open Event

University Centre Peterborough (UCP) is holding an open evening event on 4th July 17.00-20.00. The university offers 47 diverse courses and may be of interest to Y12 students considering university as an option but who would prefer to live at home.

Open Event - 4 July 2023 - University Centre Peterborough (ucp.ac.uk)

Useful Webinar about Clearing for Parents/Carers of students in Year 13 and for Year 13 students - 18th July 18.00-18.45 - Sign up now

Information about the webinar from UEA:

Results day is just around the corner, and even if you're not planning on using clearing, it's a good idea to be prepared for all eventualities! And if you haven't applied for university yet, it's not too late, with plenty of great courses still available to you through clearing.

In this session for students and their parents or carers, the University of East Anglia (UEA) will cover everything you need to know about clearing – including the chance to hear a mock call – so you'll know just what to expect when the big day arrives.

The session will be led by Alix Delany, Head of Admissions at UEA, along with Chris Hakes, a Higher Education Adviser. They will also be joined by student who found a place at university through clearing, so they can talk about their experiences.

We'll cover:

- What is clearing? A jargon-free explanation of clearing: how does it work, who is it for and what are the benefits.
- What happens on results day? A step-by-step guide of what happens, when. \Rightarrow
- \Rightarrow How can I prepare? Simple tips to make sure you make the right decisions, without feeling panicked or
- What happens on the call? It can be daunting to pick up the phone. Listen in on our mock call so you'll \Rightarrow know just what to expect, and know you have nothing to worry about. You can also find out about options that don't involve the phone at all, such as live chat.
- What's it like to go through clearing? Don't just take our word for it. Hear from a current university \Rightarrow student sharing their experience of getting a university place through clearing.

HE Guidance: Clearing In Five Easy Steps – A Session For Students & Their Parents Or Carers With Alix Delany, Head Of Admissions, & Chris Hakes, Higher Education Adviser, At University of East Anglia - Channel Talent - Interactive school webinars

Future First Alumni Hub

We greatly value the support of our former students, many of whom are keen to maintain contact with school. We are hoping that the students in the current Ys 11 and 13 who will be leaving us in the summer will also want to stay in touch. Students are invited to sign up to our Future First Alumni Hub using the link below.

https://www.futurefirsthub.org.uk/register/spaldinghigh

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

Lucy.obrien@spaldinghigh.lincs.sch.uk

Mrs Bushell, Careers Leader