



# Spalding High School

## Weekly Bulletin

### 4th May 2023



Everyone is getting ready for the Coronation Celebration tomorrow afternoon and looking forward to the event. We also all have our fingers crossed that the weather will hold. Temperatures will be a little cooler tomorrow and so the decision has already been made that we will be in normal non-uniform for the day and it would be nice if we had a red, white and blue theme, although this is not compulsory so please do not buy anything especially for the day. Participants of the races may bring PE kit to change into although bearing in mind that these will be slow and steady races rather than a 100m sprint, they may just wish to wear comfortable clothes as part of the non-uniform day. Normal makeup, jewellery and non-uniform rules apply for the day.

Form groups have now planned their picnics and orders are coming in for the BBQ. There will be a refreshment stand for students to refresh their drinks bottles with water and squash (which will be free). There will also be cans for sale. The Sixth Form will be running the ice cream stands and so students may bring in a small amount of money if they wish to buy one. No other money is needed for any of the activities or games.

A final decision on the weather will be made tomorrow morning following an inspection of the field and a final check of the Met Office website. Whilst we have wet weather arrangements in place, it will be much nicer if the whole school can come together to celebrate, not just to mark the Coronation but also to support our School community spirit and ethos. Please keep your fingers crossed for the weather for us too!

Congratulations to Hannah Willis on her amazing achievements in the British Swimming Championships! Well done Hannah!

**Mrs M K Anderson, Headmistress**

#### **Y10 helpers required for Summer School 2023**

We are looking for six helpers who could assist in the running of the Y6 & Y7 Summer School this year. You need to be enthusiastic, a good communicator and have an interest in working with younger students. You must be available to work from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July. Successful applicants will be paid for the full five days.

Application letters should be emailed or handed to Mrs Ray by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May. Interviews will then take place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June.

Your letter must include the skills and qualities that you have, any experience you have of working with younger students at school or in the community, and the reasons why you feel you would be suitable for this position.

This is a fantastic opportunity to develop your leadership skills and to be part of a great team!

**Mrs Ray, Assistant Head Teacher**

## 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
7J	Megan Ozga	Mrs Martindale	Science
7N	Florence Numa	Mr Wright	Science
7N	Grace Maycroft	Miss Ashley	Further Mathematics
7N	Jessica Pilgrim	Mrs Rogers	Geography
7S	Avie-Mae Whiteway	Miss O'Sullivan	English
7S	Sienna Wright	Mr Ganger	Mathematics
8J	Ruby Forsyth	Mrs Almasi	Community
8P	Scarlett Meaby	Mrs Spinks	Mathematics
8S	Dara Ajayi	Mrs Clay	Form
8S	Emma Bayes	Mrs Cave	Religious Education
8S	Maya Szczygiel	Mrs Jones	Latin
8S	Tilda Moss	Mrs Aurikko	Science
9J	Angel de Melo	Mrs Almasi	German
9J	Gabriella Atkinson	Mr McAlinden	History
9N	Sky Salkeld	Miss Parker	Physical Education
9S	Liliana Wong	Miss Bailey	German
10C	Amelia Green	Miss Jones	Physical Education
10C	Sophie McFie	Mrs Bushell	German
10J	Elizabeth Atolagbe	Mr Fovargue	Computer Science
10P	Grace Huggins	Mrs Knowles	French
10S	Lucy West	Mr Garbett	Music
11C	Ellie O'Brien	Mrs Nowak	Mathematics
11C	Jess Moore	Mrs Love	English
11C	Ophelia Sootheran	Mr Hempsall	History
11C	Sophie Lewis	Mrs Neal	Art
6FM	Diana Skarulskyte	Mrs Hebblewhite	Community
6IW	Sheila Silva	Mrs Hebblewhite	Psychology

## Celebrating The Individual – Hannah Willis, 6AB

Hannah Willis, who represents the City of Peterborough Swimming Club, has recently returned from competing at the British Swimming Championships 2023 held in Sheffield at Ponds Forge. Hannah competed in three races and her best performances came in the 50 metre Backstroke. In her heat she swam against a Gold Medallist from the 2020 Tokyo Olympics and managed to qualify for the Junior Final. In the final she pulled off a fabulous swim and won the race in a lifetime Personal Best time of 29.89s. Well done Hannah!



## History

### History essay competition

The History Department would encourage students in Years 11-13 to consider entering this essay competition. The top prize is £100. There are a range of questions that students can choose to do, which are listed on the website. Many of these questions overlap into other subjects such as Classical Civilisation & Philosophy.

To enter, students are required to complete a 2000 word essay (inclusive of references) and the final deadline is 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023.

All details can be found here: [ESSAY PRIZE \(versushistory.com\)](https://www.versushistory.com)

**Mr Hempsall, Head of History & PSHE**

### Summer 2023 Examination Series—Reminder

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. Students should be available to take examinations up to and including this date (**Wednesday 28th June 2023**).

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**

## English Department

The Department of English is promoting Naylor Flowers Open Farm Sunday Poetry Competition.

**Submission deadline is Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May.**

Naylor Flowers is a local farm that has been growing cut flowers for the past 75 years. To celebrate our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, they are hosting a LEAF Open Farm Sunday event on 11<sup>th</sup> June and they would love you to get involved!

Naylor's are running a couple of competitions throughout the day and before the event to engage with all ages of our community and thought the pupils of Spalding High School may want to take part in a poetry competition to be in with the chance of winning a chocolate hamper and book vouchers.



The theme is open to interpretation and any form of poetry applies as long as it is no longer than one A4 page. Submissions, could be posted or dropped off at:

Naylor Flowers  
Washway Road  
Moulton Seas End  
Spalding  
PE12 6LP

**Or, submit entries to Mrs Lord ( Head of English - Room 5)  
Submission deadline is Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May.**

## Careers Update

### Parents and Carers' Pack from ASK Apprenticeships

The April edition of the Parents and Carers' Pack regarding apprenticeships is now available and can be found as an attachment with this newsletter. It also contains information about T Levels.

### 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 Years 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:

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**Mrs Bushell, Careers Leader**