



SPALDING HIGH SCHOOL

SPRING FAYRE NEWSLETTER MAY 2017



I cannot recall keeping such a close eye on the Met Office website as I did in the days leading up to the Spring Fayre last week! It may have been damp and slightly chilly around the edges but the atmosphere and community spirit around the school on Friday and Saturday were both scorching hot!



In last year's Spring Fayre newsletter I commented that "It is during an event such as this that the High School really shows itself as the truly special school that it is". Ditto this year! Most things were slightly easier this year as we had all been through the event for the first time last year. Form groups, staff and the PTA were all planning their events weeks in advance and the donations rolled in to school in the days leading up to the big day.



The Form Groups were as committed and imaginative in their event planning as ever and we had a wonderful array of stalls and activities. Thank you to all the students who participated; I have spoken to lots of you and I know that you enjoyed yourselves enormously. Please take the time to read the form reports below – they certainly show how much fun everyone had!

The sixth form were also absolutely brilliant both on the Friday Pre-Fayre non uniform day and day itself. On Friday morning we had a hall full of donations more or less organised into piles of different items. By mid-morning we had all the hall stalls set out and the tombolas set up; all thanks to the sixth form. There is a skill for the UCAS reference – how to ticket up a tombola! By the end of the study period the bunting was up and the common room set out too. The bunting created by the form groups were all beautiful and made the judging very hard! They certainly made the hall and common room look very fayre-like!



Everyone rallied and on the day itself we welcomed hundreds of visitors to the school. It was lovely to see everyone enjoying themselves. We had people chilling (quite literally) in the quad with a burger or hot dog; we had people welly-wanging and playing basketball on the field; we had face painted butterflies, fairies and strawberries; we had parents and pupils baking; we had balloons racing, sponge throwing, juggling and even a visiting special guest, Pedro the Clown! Thank you to everyone involved in making the day such a success.

Mrs Anderson

There are too many raffle winners to name individually, but we are pleased to announce:

- Winner of the Lucky Programme Draw: Rheanna Morgan 7N.
- Name the teddy bear: Beckah Anderson 8S – Merlin
- Winner of the signed England rugby shirt: Matilda Sexton 7P

Winners of the tubs of Celebrations:

- Mr Bell (Georgia) 8P
- Poppy Gill 8P
- Gemma Hall 9S
- Mrs Jarvis
- Eleanor Mowbray 7J
- Mrs Pettit
- Mrs Quinton (Charlotte) 8P
- Mr Stokes (Amy-Ann) L6BUS
- Naomi Smith 7C
- Isabel Sutton 8C
- Rachel Tilley 8C
- Miss Tulloch (Charlotte & Cece) 9J & 11J
- Katie Wright L6DUN
- Maddie Yellop 8S



Guess the Weight of the Cake competition:

- Mr Wright 3.3kg (that's 7lb 3oz in old money!)
- Thank you to Mrs Huggins for making the lovely spring cake.

Guess the staff baby photographs:

- Joint winners – Mrs Garland and Mrs Handley.

The bunting competition:

We liked.....

- Most googly eyes – **10S**
- Most original and personal – **U6DOW**

Highly commended:

- **9N** – very colourful and sparkly – we all loved it.
- **8C** – excellent individual pictures made a really good spring like theme.

Joint winners – sorry we just could not decide upon one overall winner!

- **10C** – the colour coordination and range of excellent arts and craft work made this a real winner.
- **9J** – so colourful and sparkly with lots of individual excellent pieces of art work made it very eye catching.

Winner of the Great SHS Bake Off:

- Georgie and Mrs Van Dyke.



Here are just a few reports from the students:

7N

The stall "what's in the box" was a definite hit at the spring fayre because all ages could have a go. The boxes had different varieties of difficulties so everyone had a chance of winning one of our 3 amazing prizes (a giant lolly pop, Maltesers and a chocolate orange). It was very messy but organised so we always had a solution if something went wrong. The 'prize every time' idea helped keep the stall running and bring younger children to have a go as the prize was a sweet. We organised a system for scoring which helped choose the winners at the end. For messier customers, baby wipes and paper towels were on hand for easy clean up. All in all lots of fun was had!



8C & 7C

The Spring Fayre was a huge success. The book & DVD stall took over almost half of the sixth form common room along with many raffles, games and tombola's with great prizes. All in all it was a terrific day!

Hannah Wilkins 8C



8P

This Spring Fayre was a lot of fun and I really enjoyed taking part in it. I think our form came up with some really creative stalls (Busking and Nail Bar). We raised a lot of money for the Spring Fayre and our charity fundraising. From how our nail bar was presented it showed that we put a lot of time and effort into preparing it. As for the busking we were very popular, so popular that a young girl came and had a go at the ukulele! We had a lot of sing-a-long songs and lots of applause and we were all really proud of ourselves.

Scarlett Bergin 8P

8S

Having pumped up 200 balloons, we were filled with excitement and ready for the fayre ahead! We arrived early so that we could pump up all the balloons on the day and sell as many balloons as possible. After we finished selling them everyone gathered on the school field with bin bags full of multi-coloured balloons. As Mrs Anderson counted down from 10 to zero we released them and 200 coloured balloons covered the sky. We will wait to see whose goes the furthest and who will win the amazing prizes.
Georgie Van Dyke, Ellie Thompson & Maddie Yellop 8S

NB: This competition closes on the 2nd June and some labels have already been returned to school! Thank you to Mrs Haunch for helping 8S with such a major event!



9P - At the Spring Fayre, 9P ran the stocks along with 9S. Many people enjoyed this, mostly when they had the chance to throw sponges at teachers! Teachers including Mr Fovargue, Mr Hemsall, Mr Wright and Mr Martindale volunteered to get wet, along with George Parsons from Year 12. To raise even more money, at the end of the fayre Mr Martindale offered people the chance to throw the whole bucket at him for £5! Overall we raised over £50 for the school. *From Rebecca Hiller, Emily Crunkhorn and Amelia Simpson 9P*



9C - Both children and adults loved our stall, it was EXTREMELY cold and windy so we should really have picked an indoor location but we persevered! Some people visited our stall multiple times (Mr Wright). Thank you to everyone who visited and helped us raise money. We had great fun.

9N

On the 6th of May we were involved in the Spring Fayre and helped out on a number of stalls including our own, the atmosphere was buzzing. It was a very successful day and we had a really fun time. Our stall was a fruit stall it was called Fresh and Fruity Tutti Frutti. We sold a number of fruit boxes which contained a mango, kiwis, an apple, nectarines, plums, avocado and apricots. We loved helping on the stall and filling the boxes with fruit so they could be sold. We sold the fruit boxes for £3.50 each. We helped on 2 other stalls, one of the stalls we worked on was the chocolate tombola which did not last that long because it was so popular! Once all of it had run out on the chocolate tombola we also helped on the food tombola which had a variety of food for example tomato soup, crackers and mango juice.

Hannah Emmott, Eve Harriss, Katie Matthewson, & Zoe Scott. 9N

A massive thank you to....

- Everyone who made a donation or came along
- Everyone who bought something
- Everyone who had fun and will come again next year!
- Andrew & Co
- Baytree Garden Centre
- Bookmark
- Broadgate Riding Stables
- Chameli Restaurant, Holbeach
- Chris Eley Produce
- Cley Hall Hotel
- Country Herbs & Plants (Mr. Nieburg)
- Crown Affair Hair & Beauty
- Edwards & Blake (Mrs Huggins)
- Fesa UK Ltd
- Flamingo Flowers
- Flowers n' Things
- Fun Farm Ltd.
- Geo Adams & Sons
- Greenyard Fresh UK
- Hills of Spalding
- J.O.Sims Ltd
- LDR Light Haulage
- Lincolnshire Field Produce
- McDonald's
- Mrs. McKeown
- Morrison's, Spalding
- Munton & Russell, Spalding
- Peterborough & Crowland Gliding Club
- Rooke's Pet Products Ltd
- SHS PTA
- Simon Lord Collectables
- South Holland Centre
- South Lincs Chilled Couriers (Mr. Leworthy)
- Spalding Auction
- Spalding Water Taxi Co Ltd
- The Bluebell, Whaplode St Catherine's
- The Kitchen, Springfields
- The Mermaid Inn
- The Red Lion
- Total Exotics Produce
- Turners Fish and Chips
- Tydd St Giles Golf & Country Club
- Mrs. Van Dyke
- Veena Cornish Photography
- Vine House Farm
- Woodlands Hotel
- Worldwide Fruit Spalding



TOTAL RAISED SO FAR: £3,431 but we still have money coming in so we hope to exceed £3500! This will have a huge impact on the new, larger lockers we hope to buy!

WHAT NEXT?

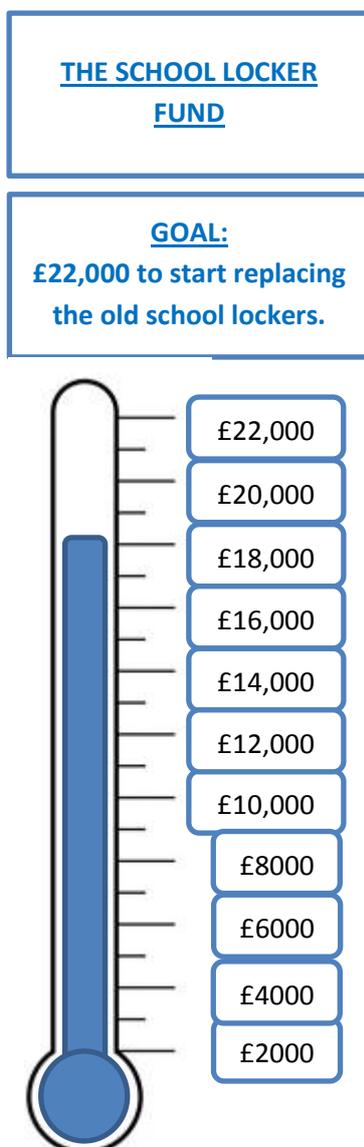
Year 7 and 8 Summer Sizzler – Friday 16th June. Celebrate the end of exam week and come along for summer games and fun on the field. We will be BBQ-ing and families are welcome! Letters will be emailed home nearer the time.

SHS PTA Film Club:

4.15pm – 6.15pm June 19th, our film club will be showing the animated Dreamworks film “Trolls” featuring Justin Timberlake and Anna Kendrick. Free tickets or £1 Popcorn tickets will be available from reception from next week. A letter will be sent home at that point.

SPRING FAYRE 2018!

Put the date in your diary now...Saturday 28th April 2018.



The School Council would very much like to update and replace all of the school locker stock. The lockers are old and too small for all of the items that students need to store.

Over the last year and a half the School Council, school and PTA have been fundraising and holding events such as the Spring Fayre, sponsored walk, Fright Night, Summer Sizzler etc to raise money for the locker fund. So far we have raised close to £18,000. We are pleased with this amount but to replace all of the lockers in the whole school will cost about £60,000! We simply cannot do this from our delegated budget nor can it be achieved all in one go. The money to buy new and bigger lockers needs to come from our fundraising and so this is our big project for a few more years yet!

Many schools engage external companies to run locker systems where they replace school lockers and charge parents an annual rental fee. We have investigated these companies and their annual fee to parents range in price with anything from about £15-25 per year. When you consider that most of our students stay at the High School for seven years this could be as much as £175 for locker hire and at the end of the lease the lockers do not belong to the school. We intend to operate a more sustainable and long term solution.

In the summer last year, the Headmistress wrote to all parents explaining the new locker scheme. A reminder letter will be sent home after the Whit half term. Traditionally parents have paid a £3 deposit (£5 for the sixth form) for the duration of their child's time in school. With effect from last summer this became an annual rental charge, with the £3 already paid becoming the 2016/17 payment. Parents were given the option to opt out and we are grateful that no one did so. ALL of the annual locker rental fee of £3 per year (equivalent of £1 per old academic term) will go to the locker fund and spent on gradual replacement of the school's locker stock. Once we have replaced all of the locker stock we will review the annual rental fee. In the meantime our fundraising and donations will continue to support the “locker fund”.



THANK YOU
VERY MUCH!