

### Hannah Lane – 2020 Alumni

Since leaving Spalding High I have had two jobs. My first was an apprenticeship in Health and Social Care with my ambition to become a social worker and my second, and current job, as a team leader for a brand new service that specialises in supporting adults with autism, which I love. I was head hunted for my second job which made me feel really proud about myself as I had only been at my first job for six months.

At school, I studied Ethics and Philosophy, English Language and Sociology. Many people thought I was crazy as they are all heavily essay based subjects but I enjoyed them all so found the work okay. Having three essay-based subjects as my options in sixth form really helped me get a hold of the 'school work and social life' balance. This has helped me post sixth form with Covid-19 as I worked 206 hours a month and gave myself enough time to do online shopping and sleep during lockdown and now I work 197 hours a month and still find time to go to the gym, socialise and sleep.

My plans for the future are to progress as a team leader into a bigger service or join the NHS as a team leader for support working.

My biggest tip for sixth formers is to realise that the first job you go into may not be the job you stay in for the rest of your life so do not panic if you feel you aren't enjoying what you are doing initially.