



Spalding High School



Weekly Bulletin 10th March 2022

There is a lot to celebrate this week and congratulations especially to Charlotte and Carey for their tremendous achievements. Charlotte has done remarkably well in making it to the semi-finals of the Fortnum and Mason's Queen's Pudding Jubilee Competition. This is a national competition involving thousands of entries and to reach the semi-finals is amazing - VERY well done! Congratulations also to Carey, who was runner up in the How Maths Helps People poster competition. There are more connections between art and maths than one might at first think and Carey's poster is brilliant.

This week marked International Women's Day (Tuesday 8th March). Whilst a specific date is always useful to raise the profile and focus the mind, the drive to secure global gender equality is something we should work to achieve in every individual's small behaviour as well as internationally in every decision made by Governments across the world. I am reminded of an assembly given by a High School Sixth Former a few years ago, in which she urged everyone to be a feminist and went on to debunk the misconception that feminism is about superiority, explaining instead, that feminism is about economic, social and political equality; whatever the gender. Of course, the same can be applied to many other characteristics that not only promote, but also underpin respect, tolerance, democracy and peace as cornerstones of the global community that not only we as adults wish to live in, but also the one we wish for our own children and children across the world to grow up in.

My final thanks this week go to the Sixth Form, who will be leading, organising and running our joint Comic Relief / Disaster Emergency Committee Ukrainian Humanitarian Appeal. I urge you all to join in and show how much we care.

Fortnum & Mason's Queen's Pudding

What a fantastic morning was had by all! Girls from Y7 to Y9 making beautiful puddings fit for our Queen's 70th Jubilee celebrations. Well done to everyone and especially to Charlotte and her sweet interpretation of a British favourite.

Ms Busby

Charlotte writes:

The morning I made the burgers, I came to school at 9:30am and was there until 12:30pm making some lovely, sweet burgers consisting of a ginger biscuit as the bun, a circle of chocolate cake as the patty, green fondant as lettuce and orange buttercream with grated chocolate to look like burger sauce.

The morning was great. We had a lot of fun making our sweet creations. When I went home my grandma loved them and when she heard I made it to the semi-finals, she said that I should make them for the jubilee.

The judges are Mary Berry, Roger Pizey, Jane Dunn, Dr. Rahul Mandal, Matt Adlard, Mark Flanagan, Monica Galetti, Regula Ysewijn. I was excited when I got the email because that meant that Mary Berry liked my dish.

I was told on 18th February that I did not make it to the finals, but I made it to the semi-finals, which was between thirty to fifty people and the final was out of five people, so I did well.

Charlotte Marsh

Non-Uniform Day – Friday 18th March

For this year's Comic Relief Day, the Sixth form has organised a non-uniform day and big cake sale. All money raised will be split between Comic Relief and the DEC (Disaster Emergency Committee) Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal.

We are asking students to bring in £1 to wear non-uniform and to donate homemade or bought cakes, cookies, brownies, etc. These cakes will then be available to the whole school at break and lunchtime for a small donation.

These events are optional, but we would like to encourage all students to get involved to support these extremely worthwhile charities.

Thank you

Mrs Ray and the Sixth form

COMIC RELIEF

Non-Uniform Day
Friday 18th

£1

Cake Sale
in the main
hall!!

DEC DISASTERS
EMERGENCY
COMMITTEE

UKRAINE HUMANITARIAN APPEAL

Uniform Shop

WOW! What a successful launch of “High Fashion”, our nearly new uniform shop. Thank you to those who have purchased from us. We have taken so many orders that stock levels are running low and are in need of replenishing. If you do have any uniform or PE kit that you wish to donate, this can be brought in by your child, taken to Reception and placed in the “High Fashion” drop-off box. Alternatively, you can drop items off to Reception.

If you wish to purchase an item, please sign into your child’s online account and you will see what stock is available in the products section. Once purchased online, the uniform will be sent home via your child.

The easiest way to access these products would be to download the SCOPAY app and sign in to your account. This will give you access to your child’s lunch account, trips and revision guides when they become available. Notifications can be enabled to alert you when the above become live and you can also monitor your child’s canteen balance to ensure sufficient funds are available.

Any questions relating to this or if you wish to be set up with an online account, please email rebecca.fox@spaldinghigh.lincs.sch.uk or joanne.pryke@spaldinghigh.lincs.sch.uk

How Maths Help People - Poster Competition

Four students have decided to take part in the How Maths Help People poster, with one (Carey Crowhurst) being the runner-up in the Year 12-13 category.

Carey writes:

The competition had a particular appeal to me as a maths student and an artist. It presented an interesting challenge of combining the visual presentation of information with something typically seen as more logical and straightforward. I decided to take a less objective approach to the challenge and look at how maths could be applied to our lives more generally, rather than an in-depth look at a specific application. Doing the research into it was fun and fascinating, and included a lot of skimming psychology papers for maths effect on the mind. The creation of the poster itself was also fun, as I decided to use the medium of a comic. In the end, I feel very proud to have been runner-up in the competition, and hope people take the time to take a look at the finished poster in the maths corridor!

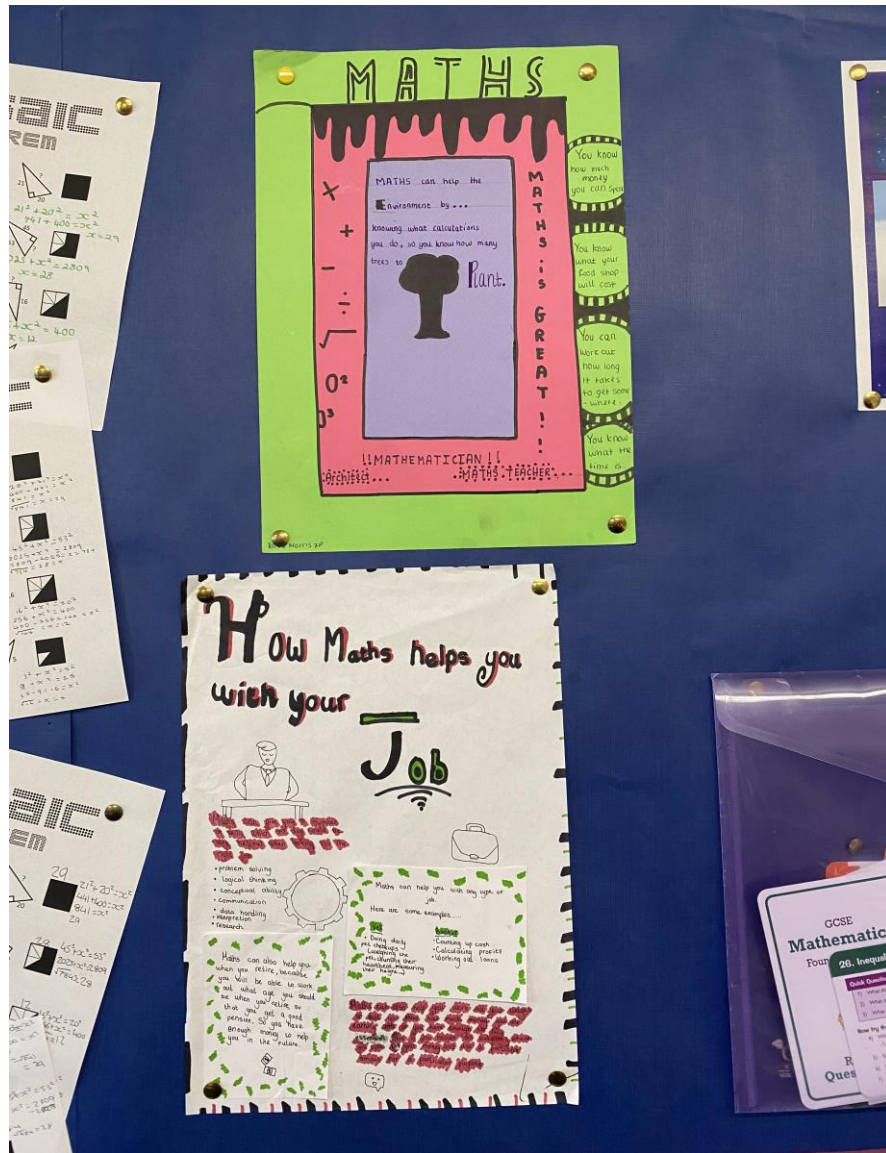
Carey Crowhurst

You can also find Carey`s poster here:

[How Maths Helps People - Poster Competition 2021 - Winners Announced - Maths Careers](#)

Mrs Nowak





Careers Update

International Women's Day - 8th March



This week marked International Women's Day on Tuesday. Our students have varied aspirations for their careers of the future. We encourage students to aim high and talk about their futures and to explore what is possible. There are great current and historical role models. The theme this year for International Women's Day focused on how climate change and gender are interconnected. This is an interesting article:

<https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/feature-story/2022/02/youth-voices-for-change-four-young-climate-action-leaders-we-admire>

Morrisby Careers – Students, please sign up!

In school we subscribe to a careers platform called 'Morrisby Careers'. Students are encouraged to register and set up an account which can assist with exploring career options and understanding how skills, interests and strengths can play an important role in progression route planning for the future. Many students already have an account but if any students have not yet made use of this opportunity, they should go to [Careers Advice & Careers Guidance Platform - Morrisby](#), use their **school email address** and the code **MC19F6Y8** to sign up. Here is a short video which describes how to sign up and the benefits of using the platform:

<https://youtu.be/51talprXsR0>

New Enterprise Adviser for School

To support our Careers Education provision in school we now have a new Enterprise Co-ordinator in post called Donna Garrard who works for the Greater Lincolnshire LEP (Local Enterprise Partnership) and she has helped us to connect with a new Enterprise Adviser who is based in Spalding. Our Adviser is Paul Tomlinson, the Managing Director of Davis Worldwide Ltd - a wholesale importer and exporter of fresh produce.

We hope that input from Paul can help bridge the gap between the world of work and education. Paul is a great ambassador for Spalding and Lincolnshire and is well-connected throughout the food production industry.

Paul is a Law and Spanish graduate who has studied in Argentina and Spain. Professionally, he has worked throughout Central and South America and Spain and has been working within the fresh produce industry since 2004 in various capacities, but predominantly commercial and procurement functions. In 2017 he was afforded the opportunity

to set up Davis Worldwide where he employs eight people. He has employed and trained three apprentices from Boston College whilst facing the effects of Brexit and Covid. Paul is a founding member of the ukFPN (UK Fresh Produce Network) and fresh produce consortium based in Spalding. He is also a Rotarian for Spalding and a Governor of Boston College.

Paul's first input in school will be helping to judge the Year 7 Dragons' Den competition in June. He has also offered one of our Year 12 students a work experience placement in May.

Year 10 Work Experience – 4th-8th July

We are working to support students who have not yet been able to find a work experience placement for July. The deadline for handing in placement confirmation forms is 22nd April but students must not leave it until the Easter holidays to try to source a placement as it often takes a while for employers to respond to requests. Mrs O'Brien and I are available at lunchtimes in the careers office to support students.

Lincolnshire Training Hub – Future Professional Healthcare Event – 23rd March 7.00-8.30pm

The Lincolnshire Training Hub is running a Future Healthcare Professional event on Wednesday 23rd March 7pm-8.30pm via Zoom. This event is for any students interested in a future career in the healthcare sector. It will include presentations from current undergraduates studying medicine, nursing, pharmacy, paramedic science and occupational therapy, along with a presentation on healthcare management for any students interested in a career in business and/or management within the healthcare sector. Please see the information in the attachment.

University of Leicester Summer Schools for Students in Years 10-11 – 24th-26th July

Summer school opportunities are reappearing for students to gain an insight into the world of Higher Education. The University of Leicester is offering two opportunities – English and Film Studies and the other in Medicine and Allied Health. Applications must be completed by 28th March.

<https://le.ac.uk/study/schools-and-colleges/pre-16/summer-schools>

Virtual Work Experience Opportunities in the Easter Holidays

There are two virtual work experience opportunities available during the Easter holidays. Morgan Sindall Property Services is offering a 4-day experience for 14–18-year-olds with a project within the property industry called 'Devan's House – Design, plan and create an accessible home'. The project runs online from 11th-14th April. This is a great opportunity for students interested in design or architecture. To apply, students should visit:

https://www.speakersforschools.org/youth_opportunities/devans-house-design-plan-and-create-an-accessible-home/

The second opportunity is a project from Morgan Sindall Infrastructure called 'Save the Environment, Change the World!' This is a 3-day project from 11th-13th April during which students aged 14-19 will learn about the many aspects of running an infrastructure project. This would suit students interested in STEM, art, the environment, construction, media and English language. To apply, visit:

https://www.speakersforschools.org/youth_opportunities/save-the-environment-change-the-world/

Arts and Humanities Degrees

I am often asked by students where a career in the arts and the humanities can lead. The skills developed studying arts and humanities at A Level or undergraduate level are numerous. The article below from the Open University is very informative and the podcast 'Skills and attributes that employers value' is worth listening to in order to appreciate the value of arts and humanities study.

<https://help.open.ac.uk/skills-you-can-develop-arts>

Year 12 - University Open Days

University open days start from now onwards into the autumn term. It is a good idea to do some research first to narrow down where you might want to go. Many open days are at weekends but not all. If you need to go during a school day, you need to fill in an orange educational absence form from reception and we ask students to try not to miss more than 3 days for open days per academic year. A good site to use is:

<https://www.opendays.com/calendar/>

The individual university websites should also have adverts for open days. Students from younger year groups can also attend open days if they wish. Booking is required in advance.

Student Finance Applications for 2022 University Entry

Students in Year 13 who have applied for university for 2022 entry may now apply for Student Finance:

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-online-for-student-finance>

Finally:

Please find attached a letter for parents/carers and a letter for students from Michelle Donelan, Minister of State for Higher and Further Education, which contains some useful links.

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)