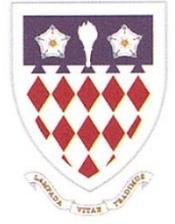




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Christmas Is Coming!

We will be celebrating Christmas a little earlier than normal this year, and the School Christmas trees are already on order and will be delivered next week. Year 7 are also working like little elves on the Y7 Christmas Tree Competition and we are all looking forward to seeing the results of this annual competition! The Senior Students are planning the logistics of the annual Bring a Tin day to ensure that it will be Covid secure. Next week's bulletin will mark the start of all of the Christmas news in earnest; we know that Christmas in School will feel very different this year but are determined to celebrate in style none the less!

Covid Update:

Year 11 – well done on your efforts and hard work during your self-isolation. We know it is tough but also that you are working really hard at home and joining in lots of lessons on Teams – well done and keep it up. We are looking forward to having you back in school on Wednesday 25th November.

Risk Assessments: As you know from our communication home and risk assessments, we have robust measures in place to minimise the risk of Covid transmission and infection. The risk assessments are currently being updated in light of new government guidance and we will inform parents and students when changes are made. Please rest assured, we will continue to liaise with the authorities and always make an informed and appropriate decision before instructing students to self-isolate.

Spalding High School Sixth Form Entry 2021

The Sixth Form Team are delighted to share with you the new Sixth Form Prospectus for entry 2021.

The prospectus can be found on the school website, in the Sixth Form area. Also available are presentations for each of the exciting subjects on offer at A Level, please go to the A Level Subject Information tab.

The presentations include contact details for subject staff should you have further questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

For more general enquiries, please email the Sixth Form Team 6thformenquiries@spaldinghigh.lincs.sch.uk

Also planned for the coming months are some live events which will be held online and will give students, parents and carers the opportunity to pose questions to the Sixth Form team and some current students. Watch this space for more information!

Follow us on Instagram [#spaldinghigh6thform](https://www.instagram.com/spaldinghigh6thform)

Mrs Haunch and the Sixth Form Team



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Careers Update

LincHigher student surveys

We work collaboratively with LincHigher to promote higher education to our students and their parents/carers. Each year we ask students in Years 9-13 to complete a short online survey to provide insights into their attitudes, knowledge and aspirations towards higher education. This helps us to inform our activity plans using the funding from the project and shows which activities are having a positive impact on our students. From next week, we will be asking students in Years 9-13 to complete the survey and ask that parents encourage their daughter or son to complete it, which takes approximately 10 minutes. The link to the survey is below. Further information about LincHigher and the Uni Connect Programme can be found at the bottom of the homepage on the school website and at the beginning of the survey.

<http://survey.euro.confirmat.com/wix/p400630205727.aspx?c=17&>

Information for the parents/carers of Year 13 students

Mrs O'Brien and I have been carrying out mock interviews with Year 13 students who have forthcoming interviews for university places, apprenticeships or employment. So far, we have interviewed students who are hoping to gain places in the following areas: medicine, nursing, paramedic science, midwifery, speech and language therapy, pharmacy, biomedical sciences, geography, English literature, primary education, modern languages and policing. We have been very impressed with the students we have spoken to and they have given insightful answers to our questions. We have encouraged the students to continue to practise at home with help and support from parents/carers. If students receive an invitation to attend an interview and would like a mock interview, they should contact Mrs O'Brien or me.

We wish all our students success with their applications and interviews.

Free e-guide for parents and carers

The Success at School careers guide for parents and carers, entitled 'Helping your child begin their career journey' is available to download using the link below.

https://mc.successatschool.org/parents-ebook?goal=0_65c6d67e71-a3b6b489b6-212066408&mc_cid=a3b6b489b6&mc_eid=2be905a165

Mrs Bushell

Careers Leader



I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who got involved with **Children in Need day** on Friday 13th November. Thanks to your efforts, we raised a fantastic **£789.21** for this extremely worthwhile charity. A special thank you to Mrs Bennett who raised £12 from the making and selling of Children in Need masks.



Reminder - Ventilation

Please be reminded that doors and windows around school should remain open in order to maintain good ventilation to continue the fight against the transmission of Covid. Students are therefore reminded that they should not be closing any windows in school.

Year 7 Descriptive Writing.

The students in 7P were given a descriptive writing task whilst studying the class reader *'The Island at The End of Everything by Kiran Millwood Hargrave'*. The task was undertaken in the classroom and the students had to write, in silence, for just 15 minutes. I think you will all agree that Poppy's description is of the highest quality. We are all exceptionally proud of her and look forward to her many creative writing presentations in the future.

A vibrant butterfly perched on a fresh leaf like a parrot on a stand. Its wings beating like a drum. Wings, covered with florescent sparkles of red, purple, orange, maroon, splashed across the creature's still body. Precious hairs, untouched by any human hand, clump along the tummy and back like infestations of mini-beasts. Shadows changing to the second as the wings flutter delicately, up, down, up, down. No one can get enough of it. No one sees enough of it. No one sees enough in a modern, civilized, industrialized world around. Not enough peace in a world to witness the pit pattering of a butterfly clambering upon a dewy, evergreen leaf. Antennas waving in the wind, slowly bending as they go. The tranquillity of just one single butterfly is astonishing.

It takes flight. It dances, swoops, leaps, turns, tumbles gracefully. So gracefully, that one must stop and watch its magnificence and beauty. It frolics through the sky, darting and swaying from side to side. Whoosh! The butterfly dives to soar with its grace towards the horizon.

Poppy Carr

The SHS Virtual Winter Concert.

The Music Department has been working very hard since September to produce the upcoming Virtual Christmas Concert. The concert will feature all of our singers and instrumentalists who have been busy recording their individual parts at home! The concert will also feature an incredible 300 chair drummers from Y7 and Y8!

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Coming Soon!

