

Head of School

Friday 22nd April 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers,

It is an absolute privilege to be writing my first weekly newsletter to you today as the new Head of School at Spalding Academy. Throughout this week I have met with all year groups in different assemblies. I used this opportunity to introduce myself, inform students of what they can expect from me on a day-to-day basis and the high expectations I have for them as members of Spalding Academy. Students and staff have been so welcoming. I feel part of the school community already!

Our school returned after Easter in more challenging circumstances due to our cyber-attack. Thankfully, our staff and students are very resilient and took this difficult situation in their stride. Our IT and Operations staff have worked incredibly hard to ensure the disruption was kept to a minimum. From the impressive teaching and learning I have seen throughout my first week, the cyber-attack has certainly not impacted our students' learning.

As you know, we like to inspire our students to look 'beyond the classroom' with regards to learning. This week we have had two educational visits. Our Year 10 budding artists visited Burghley House. Another group of year 11 students' visited Boston College for transition. Our Year 7 students have been busy working hard on their 'Fantastic Places' shoeboxes for their geography curriculum. I am so impressed with all the opportunities our students are able to engage in beyond the teaching and learning in their classrooms.

Next week we have our Year 10 online parents' evening which will take place on Tuesday 26th April 2022. This is an incredibly important evening, as you will be informed of your son/daughter's progress so far in their two-year GCSE journey. Our staff will use this opportunity to inform you of what is going well and what further improvements need to be made. I would like to provide a gentle reminder to book your appointments if you have not done so already.

Finally, I would like to offer my congratulations to all students who were successful in the 'strike card prize draw.' It is very clear that our uniform standards at Spalding Academy are exceptionally high and this is rightly celebrated by our Year Leads with £15 gift vouchers for the prize draw winners. I will make sure I continue to work with our students to find different ways to reward them for their impeccable standard of behaviour.



Please remember, for more photos and reminders of school events, follow our school social media pages.

Your sincerely,

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Head of School, Spalding Academy

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