



SPALDING
ACADEMY

Head of School

Friday 20th May 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

What a week we have had! Most importantly, we have had our first whole cohort GCSE examinations. Our students and staff have worked so hard for this exam season. I am pleased to say our Year 11 students have taken this anxious time in their stride, and have shown outstanding behaviour and attitudes towards the examination season. The rest of school have been respectful around the exam areas, as they realise they will sit these examinations in the future!

I would like to remind parents/carers about the Trust's new toilet card which is being introduced on Monday. This card is for monitoring the frequent use of the toilets throughout lessons. This is certainly not a punishment. Students will always be allowed to use the toilets throughout the day. This new system aims to reduce the number of students who are frequently out of lessons, which results in a loss of learning.

I would like to dedicate the rest of my newsletter to our incredible Creative Arts team, who have worked incredibly hard to produce our **PLAYBILL** musical for 2022.

Spalding Academy Performing Arts Department present

PLAYBILL®

for a night of acting, song and dance from the stage and screen

Thursday 9th June and Friday 10th June 2022



Miss Freddie Clarke, Producer/Director of PLAYBILL 2022 and the Head of Performing Arts explained that in March 2020, the world went into lockdown due to the pandemic, which changed the way that we lived for some time. At that moment in time, Spalding Academy was in the middle of rehearsals for the school production of PLAYBILL.



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Those who have been lucky enough to visit New York and one of its theatres, would have been given a programme. This is called a PLAYBILL - a small brochure that advertises and promotes both plays and musicals that appear on the Broadway stage. It also gives an insight to the history and context of those shows and the theatres and actors involved.

When our rehearsals, like the rest of the country came to a halt, we would never have believed that we wouldn't be returning to school that academic year, saying goodbye to a wonderful cast and show.

Just over two years later, we are delighted to announce that live theatre is back and we can introduce a new cast and line up for our re-born version of the show.

The students will be accompanied by a live band, which will showcase pieces from well-known plays and musicals including; Blood Brothers, Billy Elliot, Matilda, Les Misérables, Oliver and many more.

It has been an incredibly difficult time for everyone and we really hope that this show brings laughter and joy to those who will come to see it.

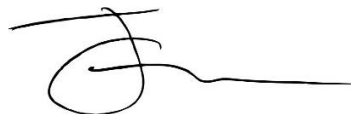
With a cast of over 90 students working on and off stage we couldn't be prouder of those who have dedicated so much time to learn lines, lyrics and choreography, and on the evenings of **Thursday 9th June and Friday 10th June 2022** we will get to celebrate those achievements.

Tickets are on sale now for £5 each and can be purchased online with booking details on the Spalding Academy website - www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/playbill-tickets

I have seen the rehearsals and the cast are very talented. Please make sure you support our show and buy your tickets! We look forward to seeing so many of you enjoying theatre again.

I would like to reaffirm my strong belief in open home and school communication. If parents/carers have any worries, I would ask them to contact the school directly, via enquiries@spaldingacademy.org.uk or 01775 722484. Whilst I understand social media has many positive benefits for communication, I would urge parents contact us directly, if they have any concerns. We will always be happy to assist.

Your sincerely,



Mrs Jemma Curson

Head of School, Spalding Academy

For the latest news

You can follow Spalding Academy on our official social media platforms as follows:

- www.instagram.com/SpaldingAcademy
- www.facebook.com/SpaldingAcademy
- www.twitter.com/SpaldingSLAT

There have been some notable highlights this week which you may have seen on our website and social media pages. You can access the links below for the various news stories:

- www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/playbill-tickets
- www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/dear-time-promotes-reading
- www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/oh-i-do-like-to-be-beside-the-seaside
- www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/congratulations-to-our-bedrock-stars
- www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/best-ever-season-for-netball-team
- www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/trampolining-team-dazzle-judges