

Head of School

Thursday 21st July 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

I cannot believe the end of the academic year 2021-2022 is here! In September 2021, we were unsure of the impact that Covid-19 would have on this year. As we moved through Terms 1 and 2, it became quickly apparent that we would be able to go back to our usual exciting activities, in school. Spalding Academy's Covid comeback has been simply amazing. Our students have been very positive and resilient, as they adjusted back to the normal way of school life. This positive step forward, as a school community has allowed us to appreciate whole school events, with live audiences again!

There are too many great events to mention in one letter, but here are some of our highlights of 2021/22:



Playbill



Sports Day



World Book Day



Sporting Achievements



House Music Competition



Charity Events

(e.g. Red Nose Day, Ukraine Aid, Christmas Hamper)



PSHE Days



Year 11 Prom

On Wednesday, our students also enjoyed their celebration rewards day. Students departed on numerous trips throughout the morning, from Alton Towers to Meadowhall. The buzz around the students and staff was superb. It was great to see excited students, who were going on a well-deserved trip out of school. Our in-school events were also well attended and allowed students to try different activities for the day. As usual, our student's behaviour was impeccable and we had many positive comments from members of the public which is always welcome.

As the academic year finishes, we always have to sadly say goodbye to some colleagues. This year we have a very special member of staff retiring from Spalding Academy. Mrs Herring is leaving us after being our School Receptionist for 35 years! She is the pillar of Spalding Academy, who is the oracle of all knowledge for staff, students and parents. With over 35 years of service to education, I would like to thank Mrs Herring for all the support she has given our school and local community. Mrs Herring will be missed by all students, parents/carers and staff. We wish her well for her future retirement plans.

The summer holidays can sometimes be a worrying time for some students and parents. With this in mind, I would like to remind you that we will continue to have our 'feeling worried' email tab on our school website. This is now at the front of our school website for convenience. This email address will be monitored throughout the summer holidays (not 24 hours). Please use this email to report any concerns about a student over the summer period. One of our safeguarding team will respond to you and support you, where necessary. If you require urgent support for a student, you can contact Lincolnshire Children's Services on 01522 782111 or the NSPCC helpline on 0808 800 5000.

I would just like to remind you about the return to school, in September. Students will return to school as follows:

- Tuesday 6th September 2022 for Years 7, 10 and 11 only
- Wednesday 7th September 2022 Years 8 and 9 will return (all students are expected to be in school)

Finally, for Year 11 students their examinations results days are:

- Year 11 GCSE & BTEC Results Day: Thursday 25th August 2022, from 8am

I cannot believe I have been at Spalding Academy for over two terms now. The Trust and the School is a truly special place. Every school-based decision we make, always has the students at the heart. We are already oversubscribed for September 2022 academic year which highlights the successes of the school within the local community.

I would like to wish everyone within our school community a happy, relaxed and safe summer break. This academic year has been a year of adjusting back to pre-Covid times. As always, our students have taken this in their stride.

I look forward to welcoming all students back in September.

Your sincerely,



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Head of School, Spalding Academy

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