



SPALDING  
ACADEMY

# Head of School

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

Firstly, I would like to welcome you to our 2022/23 end of year newsletter!

As the sun sets on another academic year, you will see that the Head of School – Mrs Jemma Curson has looked back on a year of enriching lives at Spalding Academy. Her last newsletter of the year shares some of the exciting things which have been happening as the summer term closes.

There has been so much we need to value and appreciate this year, including school production success, positive enrichment visits and activities, our careers events and PSHE programme, many wider curriculum successes in sports and the arts and with many rewards to celebrate.

I have so much pride for all our students and staff and feel privileged to be able to lead such a successful Trust and work with so many amazing families. It has truly been an exceptional year for the South Lincolnshire Academies Trust and for Spalding Academy!

We have said goodbyes to a few colleagues today in farewell speeches and have wished them well in any new ventures, whether that be retirement, moving across the Trust to other schools or to promoted positions. I also want to take this opportunity to say farewell to those year 11 who are going on to further education elsewhere, we are full of pride in what they have achieved and sadness to see them go and we hope that they will keep in touch. For those students choosing to continue their study in the SLAT Sixth Form, we look forward to seeing everyone at the start of term in September!

As we look forward to a new academic year in September, we will be especially pleased to welcome all of our new students in Year 7 and a record number of applicants into the Sixth Form.

I wish you all a very pleasant, restful and fun filled holiday.

**Mrs Lucy Conley**

CEO and Executive Headteacher  
South Lincolnshire Academies Trust



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# Head of School Update

I cannot believe the end of the academic year 2022/23 is here!

We have had an incredible year, with so many great opportunities and events to celebrate. As there are too many great events to mention in one letter, but here are some of our highlights of 2022/23:

- 'School of Rock' Musical
- Sports Day successes
- Careers Fair with over 40 external companies coming into support our students
- Film Festival Rewards Event
- Sporting Achievements: County-wide achievements
- House Music Competition
- Charity events: Red Nose Day, Christmas Hamper, Staff Christmas Present Appeal
- PHSE Days and Multi-Agencies Days covering a range of topics for our students
- The Duke of Edinburgh's Award expedition
- Over 60 extra-curricular activities offered
- Our parent online safety evening
- World Book Day... to name a few!

Our students have a wealth of opportunities to challenge themselves and achieve at Spalding Academy. We will continue to build up our opportunities to ensure we offer the best events for our students in the local area. I would like to pass my thanks onto my amazing body of staff as events like these wouldn't happen without their support and dedication.

This week, students in Years 7 to 10 have had their 'Film Festival'. The students were provided with a personalised SLAT goody bag which had popcorn, sweets and a drink. Students watched the film and had an ice cream at the interval followed by a draw for students to win a voucher for £20, £15, £10 and £5's. The atmosphere was fantastic and well done to all of the students.

The summer holidays can sometimes be a worrying time for some students and parents. With this in mind, I would like to remind you again that we will continue to have our feeling worried email tab on our school website - [www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/feeling-worried-or-anxious](http://www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/feeling-worried-or-anxious). This is located on the homepage of the school website for convenience. The [worried@spaldingacademy.org.uk](mailto:worried@spaldingacademy.org.uk) 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 also like to remind parents/carers that pencil sharpeners and scissors are not part of our required equipment for September 2023.

Also, I would like to draw your attention to our return to school in September 2023.

Students will return to school as follows:

- Wednesday 6th September 2023 for Years 7, 10 and 11 only
- Thursday 7th September 2023 Years 8 and 9 will return (all students are expected to be in school)

Please see the end of this update for the term dates for 2023/24.

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

- Year 11 GCSE & BTEC Results Day: Thursday 24th August 2023, from 8am

Our school website is updated with the information students will need for their results day.

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 the 2023/24 academic year which highlights the successes of the school within the local community. I cannot wait to see our students in September, ready for another great year!

I would like to wish everyone within our school community a happy, relaxed and safe summer break.

Your sincerely,



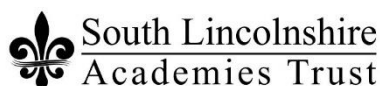
**Mrs Jemma Curson**  
Head of School, Spalding Academy

## For the latest news

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

- [www.instagram.com/SpaldingAcademy](http://www.instagram.com/SpaldingAcademy)
- [www.facebook.com/SpaldingAcademy](http://www.facebook.com/SpaldingAcademy)
- [www.twitter.com/SpaldingSLAT](http://www.twitter.com/SpaldingSLAT)

## Upcoming key dates



## Term Dates 2023/24

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■ School Holiday    
 ■ Bank / Public Holiday    
 ■ Staff Training Day    
 ■ Years 7, 10, 11 & 12 return    
 ■ All year groups return