

Head of School

Friday 12th January 2024

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

What a fantastic first week we have had.

Twenty of our budding musicians have taken part in a local music project called EVOLVE this week. The project provides our students with an insight into the work that goes into putting on a production and also allows them to perform live to a large audience. Our incredible musicians performed on Thursday night at the South Holland Centre in Spalding. Thank you to all friends and family who supported the evening where we had over 80 supporters. The standard of performance was very high and our students performed with confidence and style! We had songs from Radiohead to Taylor Swift. A special thank you goes to Mr Barrett, Miss Armstrong and Miss Sanderson for supporting our amazing students. The Music Department always go above and beyond to support our musicians and this was a superb opportunity for them to experience a live performance on a professional stage. The money raised from the evening will go towards some new equipment within the music department.



Our Year 11 Parents' Evening will be taking place online on Thursday 25th January 2024 from 4.30pm to 7.30pm and parents are required to book their online appointments in advance. Year 11 is a crucial year with GCSE exams and coursework to be completed so this Parents' Evening will focus on discussing the progress with grades and where students need to prioritise their learning to get the best results in the summer.

Year 11 students will also take part in a mock exam results session next Thursday during afternoon registration. This enables students to receive their results in assembly to celebrate success or to utilise the results as a guide to target key areas before the summer examinations. Our intervention programme is in place to support students at lunchtime and after school – please see the end of this update for the Year 11 revision programme. All students have also access to GCSEPod which is proven to support students with revision.

We are continuing to celebrate and reward our students this week. The students who achieved 100% attendance last term are receiving their usual sweet treats of a cookie and a drink on their yards at break. We have given out over 500 rewards to those students. Well done to everyone on their fabulous attendance to school last term. We have also carried out our Strike Card Prize Draw. Due to our constant growing student numbers, we have increased the prizes allocated to ensure the students have an increased chance of winning the vouchers. It was great to see 100's of empty Strike Cards for those students who always wear the correct uniform.

Continuing on the theme of rewards, we awarded another 30 Aspire Badges to students who have achieved either Bronze, Silver or Gold. It is great to see so many students completing these challenges. I would like to remind you that many of the challenge's students can take part in can be achieved at home or in the local community. Please visit www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/behaviour-and-rewards to access the Aspire Passports on our website to see what challenges students can achieve at home with you.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents of a couple of important issues:

1. Please ensure we have TWO up to date emergency contacts for your child. The Department of Education states that all schools should have two emergency contacts on record. For some of parents/carers we only hold one. Holding two contacts allows us to determine any absence from school quickly and will help us in any emergency situation.
2. For safeguarding reasons, we will only allow children to be collected from school, by a contact on our school system. Parents who are collecting their child, due to illness need to come into main reception. For safeguarding reasons, we will not allow students to meet parents at the gate.

Finally, in my update last week, I informed you about our upcoming SLAT Recruitment Roadshows taking place in February (see last page of the update for more information). In addition to these events, there are a variety of new posts advertised on our Trust vacancies website - www.slat.org.uk/vacancies. These range from part-time/seasonal jobs such as Exam Invigilators to new full-time teaching and support roles with start dates ranging from now to September 2024. Below is a summary of the jobs currently advertised across all schools in the Trust.

- Exam Invigilators (all schools)
- Teaching Assistants (all schools)
- Head of School (Bourne Academy)
- Premises Assistant (Giles Academy)
- SRU Manager (Spalding Academy)
- Librarian (Cowley Academy)
- Medical First Aider or School Nurse (Bourne Academy)
- Classroom Technician: Art/Food (Giles Academy)
- Teachers: English, Food Technology, Geography, Health & Social Care, ICT, Mathematics, Modern Foreign Languages and Science (various schools)
- Head of Geography (Bourne Academy)

If you are (or know someone who is) interested to find out more information and apply for any of these roles, please visit www.slat.org.uk/vacancies

Your sincerely,



Mrs Jemma Curson

Head of School, Spalding Academy

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



South Lincolnshire Academies Trust

RECRUITMENT ROADSHOWS



If you are interested in discovering the opportunities available at **South Lincolnshire Academies Trust**, we would like to meet you at one of our Recruitment Roadshow events.

Due to an increase in student numbers and the rapid growth of our Trust, we will require more teaching and support staff this academic year and in September.

By attending, you will have the chance to make a positive impression and get a head start in working for our highly successful Trust to progress your career.

These events are for those who are interested in working at **ANY** of our Trust schools (Bourne Academy, Spalding Academy, Giles Academy and Cowley Academy).

Giles Academy

Church Road, Old Leake, Boston, Lincolnshire PE22 9LD

Tuesday 6th February • 5pm to 6.30pm

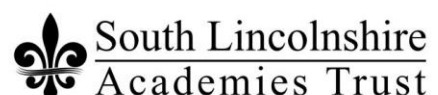
Spalding Academy

Neville Avenue, Spalding, Lincolnshire PE11 2EJ

Thursday 8th February • 5pm to 6.30pm

You can drop-in anytime between 5.00pm to 6.30pm for the opportunity to speak to our staff about the many teaching and support job vacancies that will be available. There is free parking on the school site and free refreshments will be served from 5.00pm.

To attend, you must register in advance - please visit: www.slat.org.uk/vacancies





Year 11 Revision

TERM 3 (Wednesday 3rd January to Friday 9th February 2024)

Lunchtime revision sessions (Year 11)

MONDAY LUNCHTIME			
Art	Year 10/11 Intervention	D5	Mrs Wilson / Mrs Benbow
Art	Year 10/11 Intervention	D7	Mrs Baxter
English	Year 11 Intervention (Foundation)	F3	Subject Teachers
Geography	Year 11 Intervention	L4	Subject Teachers
Health & Social Care	Year 11 Intervention	G11	Ms White
Maths	Year 11 Intervention	F8	Subject Teachers
Religious Studies	Year 11 Intervention	C3	Mrs Watt
TUESDAY LUNCHTIME			
Art	Year 10/11 Intervention	D5	Mrs Wilson / Mrs Benbow
Art	Year 10/11 Intervention	D6	Miss Gutteridge
English	Year 11 Intervention (Higher)	G10	Subject Teachers
Health & Social Care	Year 11 Intervention	G11	Ms White
WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME			
Art	Year 10/11 Intervention	D7	Mrs Baxter
Art	Year 10/11 Intervention	D6	Miss Gutteridge
Geography	Year 11 Intervention	L4	Subject Teachers
Health & Social Care	Year 11 Intervention	G11	Ms White
Sport	Year 11 Intervention	B5	Subject Teachers
Travel & Tourism	Year 11 Intervention	G18	Mrs Walker
THURSDAY LUNCHTIME			
French	Year 11 Intervention	C6	Miss Hamdouni
Health & Social Care	Year 11 Intervention	G11	Ms White
History	Year 11 Intervention	E4	Subject Teachers
Science	Year 11 Intervention (Higher)	G14	Subject Teachers
Travel & Tourism	Year 11 Intervention	G18	Mrs Walker
FRIDAY LUNCHTIME			
Health & Social Care	Year 11 Intervention	G11	Ms White
Maths	Year 11 Intervention	G22	Subject Teachers
Science	Year 11 Intervention (Foundation)	G14	Subject Teachers

After school revision sessions (Year 11)

Unless otherwise arranged by the organiser, all after-school activities will run for one hour.

MONDAY LUNCHTIME			
Art	Year 10/11 Intervention	D7	Mrs Baxter
History	Year 11 Intervention	E2	Mrs Dennis
Performing Arts	Year 11 Intervention	B6	Miss Clarke / Mr Horner
TUESDAY LUNCHTIME			
Health & Social Care	Year 11 Intervention	G11	Ms White
Music	Year 11 Intervention	J1	Mr Barrett
Sport	Year 11 Intervention	B5	Subject Teachers
THURSDAY LUNCHTIME			
Art	Year 10/11 Intervention	D5	Mrs Wilson / Mrs Benbow
Health & Social Care	Year 11 Intervention	G11	Ms White
Maths	Year 11 Intervention (Foundation)	F8 / F9	Subject Teachers
Maths	Year 11 Intervention (Higher)	F15	Subject Teachers
Travel & Tourism	Year 11 Intervention	G18	Mrs Walker
FRIDAY LUNCHTIME			
Maths	Year 11 Intervention (Higher)	F12	Subject Teachers
Music	Year 11 Intervention	J1	Mr Barrett