

Head of School

Friday 19th January 2024

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

We have had another successful week at Spalding Academy.

As part of our extensive PSHE provision, our Year 9 students had a presentation about Vaping from Mr Daniel Lowbridge, who is the Tobacco Control Officer from the Trading Standards at Lincolnshire County Council. As I am sure you are aware, there has been a national increase in teenagers using vapes. The current statistics show a seven-fold increase in the use of disposable vapes between 2020 and 2022. In England, it is illegal for under 18s to purchase vapes. We were grateful for a guest speaker to come to Spalding Academy to educate our students on this topic, especially as they have first-hand experience of working with schools and seen the worrying increase of counterfeit and dangerous products on the market.

Our sports teams have been very busy over the last two weeks where they have represented us in Boccia, Basketball and County Football. Boccia is an inclusive sport that requires skills, precision and tactics. Our students came first and third in this competition. Both of our Basketball teams finished in the top four in the tournament, which means they have qualified for the next stage of the competition.

On Friday, our Year 10 History students went back in time this week with Time Travel Education to experience life in a World War One trench. Our students had the opportunity to see what it would have been like for an injured soldier themselves through the use of VR headsets. The students were guided by WW1 medic (historical interpreter) Richard who demonstrated the RAMC's chain of evacuation and the key surgical techniques of the time. Students across all our year groups were invited to an object handling workshop during lunch where they were able to try on uniform and learn to tie a tourniquet. The immersive experience will be invaluable for our student's understanding of the 'Medicine on the British Sector of the Western Front' unit of their GCSE.

It is that time of year when our Year 11 students receive their PPE results and their AOL2 data set. This set of PPE results will have given our students a realistic picture of what they may receive in the Summer. Students during our practice result sessions were very happy or had a little reality check about what they now need to concentrate on for the summer examination season. 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.



From Monday, some of our Year 11 students will begin the National Tutoring Programme where individuals are assigned an online tutor to deliver revision materials to support and maximise their grade in a particular subject. All of the tutors are undergraduates that have undertaken a rigorous selection process to enable them to deliver lessons in their specialist subject area. The student feedback from last year was very encouraging and we hope that this, along with other platforms such as GCSEPod, will support engaging students in a different way of learning and preparation skills for their examinations.

Finally, please find included at the end this update our extra-curricular, intervention and revision timetables for Term 3. You will see from the provision that there is a huge variety of activities on offer for our students to partake in. From our most recent student feedback, the extra-curricular activities offered scored very positively. Students can use our 'Students Say, We Listen' section on our school website to suggest any other extra-curricular clubs they would like to see us offer. I would encourage you to look through our extensive programme and discuss these additional opportunities for your child to widen their experience of school life.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Your sincerely,



Mrs Jemma Curson

Head of School, Spalding Academy

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- www.facebook.com/SpaldingAcademy
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South Lincolnshire Academies Trust

RECRUITMENT ROADSHOWS

99%
of teachers are proud to be a member of our Trust

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



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Extra-curricular activities

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

Lunchtime extra-curricular activities

MONDAY LUNCHTIME				
Sport	Boys Basketball	Year 9	West Gym	Mr Munton
Sport	Fitness Suite	Years 9/10/11	Fitness Suite	Mr Duggan
Games & Pastimes	Games Club	All Years	G24	Mrs Carter
Games & Pastimes	Puzzle Club	All Years	F6	Mr Huntsman
Maths	Maths Club	All Years	F12	Miss Whelbourne
Music	Songwriting Club	All Years	J2	Miss Armstrong
Music	Studio Project (Music)	All Years	J Block	Mr Barratt
TUESDAY LUNCHTIME				
Sport	Boys Basketball	Year 11	West Gym	Mr Duggan
Sport	Girls Basketball	All Years	East Gym	Miss Pearce
Sport	Gymnastics	All Years	East Gym	Miss Ringrose
Sport	Sports Leaders	Year 9	B5	Mr Munton
Games & Pastimes	Games Club	All Years	G24	Mrs Carter
Drama	BTEC Practical Practice	10c & 11c	B8	Miss Clarke
English	Poetry by Heart	All Years	G7	Miss Nicoll
Geography	ECO Club	All Years	L3	Mr Jolley
Geography	Geography in Action	All Years	L5	Miss Wilshire / Miss Bowler
WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME				
Sport	Boys Basketball	Years 7/8	West Gym	Mr Airey
Sport	Girls Basketball	All Years	East Gym	Miss Pearce
English	Book Club	All Years	F5	Miss Teixeira
English	Accelerated Reader	Year 9	G12	Mrs Worrell
Games & Pastimes	Games Club	All Years	G24	Mrs Carter
ICT	KS3 Computer Programming Club	Years 7/8/9	B1	Mrs Mellor / Mrs Osbourn
Music	Choir	All Years	J2	Miss Armstrong

THURSDAY LUNCHTIME

Sport	Boys Basketball	Year 10	West Gym	Mr Favell
Sport	Dance	All Years	Sports Hall	Miss Ringrose
Art	Art Ambassadors	All Years	D5	Mrs Wilson
DofE	The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (Bronze)	Year 10	D14	Mr Abraham
Drama	BTEC Practical Practice	10a & 11a	B9	Mr Horner
Games & Pastimes	Games Club	All Years	G24	Mrs Carter
PSHE	LGBTQ+ Club	All Years	G25	Mrs Hemingway

FRIDAY LUNCHTIME

DofE	The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (Silver)	Year 11	F14	Mr Abraham
Drama	National Theatre Connections	By Invitation	B8	Miss Clarke
French	Les Jeux Board Games (with a French Twist)	All Years	C6	Miss Hamdouni
Games & Pastimes	Games Club	All Years	G24	Mrs Carter
Games & Pastimes	Knit & Natter Club	All Years	F15	Mrs Hemingway
Music	Showband Rehearsal	By Invitation	J Block	Mr Barratt
Religious Studies	Mindfulness Colouring	All years	C3	Mrs Watt

After school extra-curricular activities

Unless otherwise arranged by the organiser, all after-school activities will run for one hour. All after-school sports run from 3.15pm to 4.30pm.

MONDAY AFTER-SCHOOL				
Sport	Boys Football	Year 10	Field / Astro	Mr Favell
Sport	Girls Netball	Years 10/11	Courts / East Gym	Miss Ringrose / Mrs Walker
Drama	KS3 Drama Club	Years 7/8	B9	Mr Horner
Games & Pastimes	Strategy Games Club	All Years	E1	Mr Davison
Music	Showband Rehearsal	By Invitation	J Block	Mr Barratt
LRC	Homework Club (3.15pm to 4pm)	All Years	LRC	Mrs Plant
TUESDAY AFTER-SCHOOL				
Sport	Gymnastics	All Years	East Gym	Miss Ringrose
Sport	Girls Football	All Years	Field	Mrs Graves
Sport	Mixed Hockey	All Years	Astro	Mr Airey
Sport	Sport Leaders	Year 9	B5	Mr Munton
Music	Showband Rehearsal	By Invitation	J Block	Mr Barratt
LRC	Homework Club (3.15pm to 4pm)	All Years	LRC	Mrs Plant
WEDNESDAY AFTER-SCHOOL				
Sport	Boys Football	Year 7	Field / Astro	Mr Airey
Sport	Boys Football	Year 9	Field	Mr Knight / Mr Billingham
Sport	Girls Netball	Years 7/8/9	Courts / East Gym	Miss Pearce / Mrs Graves
Sport	Mixed Volleyball	All Years	Sports Hall	Mr Jolley / Mr Newton
Drama	National Theatre Connections	By Invitation	B8 / B9	Miss Clarke
LRC	Homework Club (3.15pm to 4pm)	All Years	LRC	Mrs Plant
THURSDAY AFTER-SCHOOL				
Sport	Dance	All Years	East Gym	Miss Ringrose
Sport	Boys Football	Year 8	Field	Mr Munton
Sport	Boys Football	Year 11	Field / Astro	Mr Duggan
Sport	Boys Rugby	All Years	Field	Mr Favell
Sport	Girls Rugby	All Years	Field	Miss Pearce
Music	Music EVOLVE Project	All Years	J Block	Mr Barratt
Science	Science Club	Years 7/8	G17	Mrs Davis / Mrs Clarke
LRC	Homework Club (3.15pm to 4pm)	All Years	LRC	Mrs Plant
FRIDAY AFTER-SCHOOL				
LRC	Homework Club (3.15pm to 4pm)	All Years	LRC	Mrs Plant



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