

Head of School

Friday 19th April 2024

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

Welcome to Term 5. This academic year has flown by with only two terms left before the summer holiday arrives. What great start to Term 5, we have had at Spalding Academy!

I would like to thank students and staff for our Easter revision sessions. Our Year 11 students' attendance to these sessions was outstanding. The students have all spoken very highly of the sessions and how useful they were for their preparation for the upcoming examination season (10 days to go until their first written exam). We understand this time for our Year 11 students can be very worrying, we are always here to support our students, through this journey.

I would also like to thank our Performing Arts team for organising a trip to the Nottingham Playhouse on Saturday 13th April 2024 during the Easter holidays. Our students (pictured opposite) who performed 'Age is Revolting' at Spalding Academy, had the amazing opportunity to perform on the main stage at the Nottingham Playhouse as part of the National Theatre Connections Festival 2024. This was an incredible opportunity for our students to perform on the stage in a professional venue in front of a paying audience and representatives from the industry. The Performing Arts team said the performance was outstanding, with the judges full of praise for the student's performance. I am so proud of each performer.

On Wednesday and Thursday, our Year 7 students went on a trip to Peterborough Cathedral and Faizan E Madina Mosque in Peterborough. We deliver this trip each year as part of our PSHE and Religious Studies curriculum. This trip allowed our students to take part in a tour of both places



of worship and will enhance their current Religious Studies curriculum giving them a greater understanding of places of worship as they approach their next unit of study. Our students were impeccably behaved and enjoyed their experience.



Our Year 10 students have entered their PPE examinations this week. For one week, the students will sit the first of their three practice examination seasons. As you know, practice makes perfect and we hold this philosophy for our students when it comes to examinations. When entering an examination hall, we want our students to feel comfortable, relaxed and reassured so they can concentrate on giving their best answers.

Next week will also be very important for our Year 9 students. The Year 9 students embark upon their GCSE/BTEC option choices journey this term. We realise this is one of the most important decisions of their educational career, this is why we have dedicated a whole section on our school website to help students through the decision-making process in order to get it right. Also, at the top of this page there is a Year 9 Options Video Presentation which explains the Year 10/11 curriculum, the options process and gives guidance for making these important choices. Our Year 9s have also an options assembly which will be delivered by our Options Team and Careers Coordinator. Students must choose their subjects by Friday 3rd May 2024 and the Options Form will be sent via ParentMail w/c Monday 22nd April 2024. We will then confirm the subjects in June 2024 as the timetable and staffing have to be in place before we are in a position to confirm. In the week commencing Monday 22nd April 2024, students in Year 9 will not be set any subject homework. Instead we are asking them to study the subject information that can be found via the links below and watching the subject videos.

Finally, at the end of this update, you will find details of the extra-curricular, enrichment and Year 11 revision sessions that take place during lunchtimes and after-school. We encourage you to look at this as these provide fantastic opportunities for students and there is something for all year groups.

Your sincerely,

Mrs Jemma Curson

Head of School, Spalding Academy

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Lunchtime extra-curricular activities

MONDAY LUNCHTIME				
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 LUNCHT	ME			
Sport	Sports Leaders	Year 9	B5	Mr Munton
Games & Pastimes	Games Club	All Years	G24	Mrs Carter
Drama	BTEC Practical Practice	10c & 11c	В8	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 LUNC	HTIME			
English	Book Club	All Years	F5	Miss Teixera
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	Dance (Boys & Girls)	All Years	Sports Hall	Miss Ringrose
Sport	Year 10 Intervention	Year 10	B5	Subject Teachers
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	В9	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
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	Rounders	All Years	Field	Subject Teachers
Sport	Year 10 Intervention	Year 10	B5	Subject Teachers
Drama	KS3 Drama Club	Years 7/8	В9	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-SO	CHOOL			
Sport	Mixed Cricket	All Years	Astro	Mr Airey
Sport	Mixed Gymnastics	All Years	East Gym	Miss Ringrose
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 AFTE	R-SCHOOL			
Sport	Mixed Tennis	All Years	Astro	Mr Munton / Mr Favell
Sport	Mixed Golf	All Years	Field	Mr Duggan
LRC	Homework Club (3.15pm to 4pm)	All Years	LRC	Mrs Plant
THURSDAY AFTER-	SCHOOL			
Sport	Athletics	All Years	Field / East Gym	Subject Teachers
Sport	Dance (Boys & Girls)	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



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
Maths	Year 11 Intervention	F8	Subject Teachers
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
French	Year 11 Intervention (Higher)	C6	Miss Hamdouni
Health & Social Care	Year 11 Intervention (Level 2 Pass & Level 1)	G11	Ms White
WEDNESDAY LUNCHT	IME		
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 (Level 2 Merit)	G11	Ms White
Sport	Year 11 Intervention	B5	Subject Teachers
Travel & Tourism	Year 11 Intervention	G18	Mrs Walker
THURSDAY LUNCHTIM	AE .		
French	Year 11 Intervention (Foundation)	C6	Miss Hamdouni
History	Year 11 Intervention	E4	Subject Teachers
Religious Studies	Year 11 Intervention	C1	Mrs Farley
Science	Year 11 Intervention (Higher)	G14	Subject Teachers
Travel & Tourism	Year 11 Intervention	G18	Mrs Walker
FRIDAY LUNCHTIME			
Health & Social Care	Year 11 Intervention (Level 2 Distinction)	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 AFTER-SCHOOL					
Art	Year 10/11 Intervention	D7	Mrs Baxter		
French	Year 11 Intervention (Foundation & Higher)	C5	Miss Hamdouni		
History	Year 11 Intervention	E2	Mrs Dennis		
Performing Arts	Year 11 Intervention	В6	Miss Clarke / Mr Horner		
TUESDAY AFTER-SCHO	TUESDAY AFTER-SCHOOL				
IT	Year 11 Intervention	B1	Mrs Mellor		
Sport	Year 11 Intervention	B5	Subject Teachers		
WEDNESDAY AFTER-SCHOOL					
Business Studies	Year 11 Intervention	L1 / L2	Subject Teachers		
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Art	Year 10/11 Intervention	D5	Mrs Wilson / Mrs Benbow		
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 AFTER-SCHOOL					
Maths	Year 11 Intervention (Higher)	F12	Subject Teachers		