



SPALDING  
ACADEMY

# Head of School

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

We have had another great week at Spalding Academy.

We will continue to ask students to attend school in their full uniform for next week. We will continue to monitor the temperature in schools and allow students to remove their blazers and ties, if necessary. We will review this on a weekly basis to ensure we maintain our high uniform standard, whilst accommodating the warmer weather.

Firstly, we had the pleasure in taking six of our students to St Paul's Primary School in Spalding. These students were the winners of the 'Read Your Way' competition and won the chance to attend a local primary school and read their stories to the children. The Year 1 children were incredibly receptive to this and loved the visit from the older children - the class hugely enjoyed the creative tales that our students had crafted. The Year 1 children then had the chance to read their own reading books to our students who supported them brilliantly with this task. All of the students got involved, helping the younger children and encouraging them with their reading. Overall, the visit was a resounding success and we will definitely be looking to do more reading work with local primaries in the future. Congratulations to Alexis Dakteris, Rosanna Smith, Elizabeth Hammond, Alex Bloodworth-Flatt, Lucy Shortland and Winter Wheatley who were our winners.



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On Wednesday, our Year 11 school prom event was held at the Springfields Events & Conference Centre. This was a magical evening filled with elegance and excitement. Students arrived in glamorous attire, creating an atmosphere of sophistication. The Springfields venue was beautifully decorated, setting the perfect backdrop for memorable photos. The evening began with the arrival vehicles and photos, followed by a lively dance where students showcased their best moves to a mix of classic and contemporary tunes. The night concluded with students reflecting on their school journey and celebrating their achievements together. What a great evening.

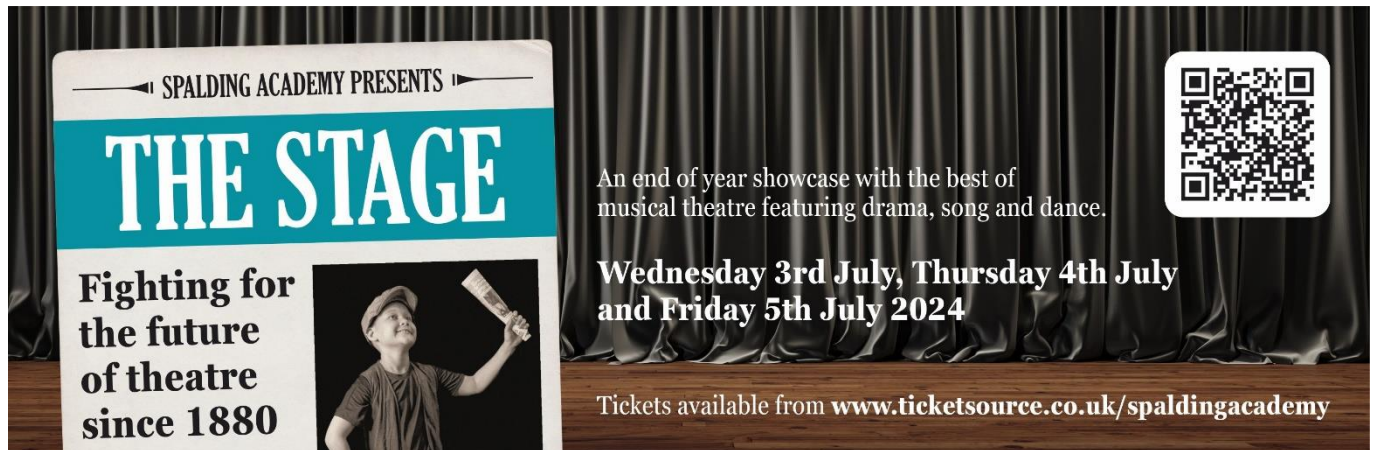


Over last weekend, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award students ventured out to complete their practical element of the award. The DofE is a fun programme of activities designed to build confidence and improve essential skills and attributes for life such as resilience, problem solving, teamwork and communication. A fantastic group of Year 10 students from across South Lincolnshire Academies Trust completed their qualifying expedition last weekend for their Bronze Award. This two-day trip involved a 10 mile walk each day carrying everything they needed for their expedition. Throughout the weekend the students were assessed on their expedition skills. This included navigation using a map and compass as well as reading the land around them, camp craft skills and the safe use of a stove to cook their evening meals. To achieve the Bronze Award, students have to complete four sections. Three of these are completed independently over a period of three or six months, then the fourth of which is the expedition section. The independent sections involve volunteering to support a local charity or organisation, learning a new skill and taking part in a physical activity.



On Thursday, we launched our Trust election campaign to further enhance our students' understanding of the national election and the process. We held an election 'husting' by holding an assembly for each year group, with our Trust Sixth Form students representing each party. The Sixth Form students represented each party well and we were really pleased with the questions our students asked each party. We cannot wait to hold our Trust election on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

Our Performing Arts department and students are really excited to be putting on the production of 'The Stage' next week with classic scenes from Cabaret, Rent, Six, Oliver, American Idiot, & Juliet, Sweet Charity, Only Fools and Horses, Dear Evan Hansen and Newsies. There will be three evening performances of our end of year musical on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024. Visit [www.ticketsource.co.uk/spaldingacademy](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/spaldingacademy) to purchase your tickets.



SPALDING ACADEMY PRESENTS

# THE STAGE

Fighting for the future of theatre since 1880

An end of year showcase with the best of musical theatre featuring drama, song and dance.


**Wednesday 3rd July, Thursday 4th July and Friday 5th July 2024**

Tickets available from [www.ticketsource.co.uk/spaldingacademy](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/spaldingacademy)

And to finish off our busy week, we had the pleasure of having 320 excited Year 6 students on our school site. Year 6 transition day to secondary school was an informative and exciting experience for the students. The day began with a welcome from myself and the Year 7 team. Students participated in a variety of activities, including team-building exercises, taster lessons in subjects like Science and Music, and a tour of the school. They had the opportunity to meet their future classes and teachers, easing any anxieties about the transition. We all had a successful day and the students left the school site very positive and looking forward to joining our school community in September 2024. We have launched our Year 6 transition video for parents/carers and students on our website. If you have any questions about transition please visit: [www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/transition-2024](http://www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/transition-2024)

What an incredible week of achievements!

Your sincerely,



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