

Head of School

Friday 28th March 2025

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

As we approach the final week of this term, we continue to provide a variety of opportunities for our students. As usual, we have had a very busy week, ensuring our students get the best opportunities to challenge themselves to achieve their best.

Firstly, I would like to remind you that from 1st April 2025, our onsite school uniform shop will be closed. From April 1st 2025, you will be able to purchase any new school uniform items online from www.nationwideschooluniforms.co.uk or you can visit their shop at Nationwide School Uniforms, Vale Road, Spilsby, Lincolnshire PE23 5HE. To assist with the transition, we will offer a uniform pop-up shop at school during the summer holidays for blazer fittings. These dates will be during the school holidays. I would like to highlight that some PE kit items may differ on the new online website, but current students do not need to change items until they need replacing. We will continue to stock our ties and house badges on our ParentMail system.

I would like to thank everyone who supported the non-uniform day last Friday. As a Trust we raised over £4,000 for Comic Relief / Red Nose Day.



Earlier this month, we celebrated World Book Day and we are continuing to promote a love of reading at Spalding Academy by launching 'The Great BIG BOOK Giveaway' this week, where we are giving away over 500 books across the Trust, via a raffle. The lucky winners from Years 7 and 8 were issued with a gift voucher and invited to visit the school library this week to choose from an amazing selection of books that include top titles aimed at Key Stage 3 readers. This initiative will further reinforce our high focus on the importance of reading as we are immensely proud to be 'a reading school'.



This has been an important week for our Year 9 students as they have been focusing on their Key Stage 4 option choices. Over this past week, students have been using their time to watch a variety of subject videos to ascertain more detail of what the various courses consist of. Please can I remind parents/carers and students that the Options Form which you have been sent electronically must be completed by Thursday 3rd April 2025.

As part of our PSHE programme, on Tuesday we welcomed Catherine Kirk from The RSHE Service to present a series of workshops which focussed on contraception and consent. This session is delivered in line with the Department of Education guidance regarding Health Education as well as Relationships and Sex Education.

As our Year 11 get ever closer to their final exams, we continue to support our students and families. On Wednesday evening, we hosted our Year 11 Exam Success Evening. The event guided parents and students into our top ten tips for exam success. I am really pleased to see such high numbers of students sign up to our Easter revision sessions. In fact, some of our sessions are full! Our Year 11 are determined to succeed in their examination series, and are showing such determination and hard work to achieve their best. Keep this up Year 11.

Can I also take this opportunity to remind parents that Prom tickets for our Year 11 students are now available on ParentMail for all those Year 11 students invited to Prom. It has been fantastic to see so many outfits and plans being made for the Prom, but please do remember to purchase your ticket!

Next week, I am really pleased to announce we have added in an additional rewards layer for our Aspire Badge winners. All our current badge winners will be given an extra reward of a film and sweet treats during the school day next week. We have added this additional layer into our reward system for our students, as we felt our badge winners deserved additional recognition and an extra treat. Well done to all students who have achieved their Bronze, Silver or Gold awards!

Finally, we finish Term 4 next week on Friday 4th April 2025 at 3.15pm. Please be reminded that our start of Term 5 is on Wednesday 23rd April 2025.

I hope you all have a fantastic weekend.

Kindest regards,



Mr Glenn Martin

Head of School, Spalding Academy

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PRIMARY & SECONDARY Get Into Teaching

Tuesday 29th April 2025 • 5.30pm to 7.00pm

If you are looking to **get into teaching** and work in a primary or secondary school then this information evening will help you take the next step to progressing your career. At this Get Into Teaching event, which will be held at Bourne Academy, you will discover how you can get into teaching and work in a primary or secondary school as a Teacher.

Keystone Academy Trust are one of the primary school lead partners with Lincolnshire ITT and **South Lincolnshire Academies Trust** are a secondary school lead partner with Lincolnshire ITT. Both can provide you with one-year school centred Initial Teacher Training.

If you have achieved a Level 6 undergraduate degree in any subject, or are in the final year of your degree then you could start the Initial Teacher Training programme from September 2025. We also can help advise the different routes available to get you into teaching.

This event starts at 5.30pm where there will be a presentation then the opportunity to speak to staff informally. You will learn about the different training pathways, entry requirements and details about student finances. We will cover school placements, the course content, support available plus timescales. We can also provide help so you can successfully apply.

To attend, please visit www.slat.org.uk/vacancies to register in advance.



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Becoming a Teaching Assistant is a highly rewarding and valued job at South Lincolnshire Academies Trust. Due to expansion, we are looking to recruit even more Teaching Assistants to join our SEN team.

You can drop-in anytime between 5.30pm to 7.00pm for the opportunity to speak to our staff for more information about the role and how it can also further develop your career in our Trust. You can also find out more about the Teaching Assistant Responsibility allowance (TAR) which can be worth up to £2,000 for suitable candidates.

This event is for those who are interested in working at ANY of our Trust schools (Bourne Academy, Spalding Academy, Giles Academy and Cowley Academy).

To attend, please visit www.slat.org.uk/vacancies to register in advance.

We also have vacancies advertised for Teaching Assistants on this website so you can even apply today.



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