



SPALDING
ACADEMY

Head of School

Friday 18th July 2025

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

I cannot believe the end of the 2024/25 academic year is here!

It has been an incredible year of success. We are already oversubscribed for the next academic year, which highlights the success of the school within the local community.

We have had an incredible year, with so many great opportunities and events to celebrate. As there are too many great events to mention in one update, but here are some of our highlights of 2024/25:

- 600+ students achieving the Aspire Passport
- 'Romeo + Juliet' Musical Production
- Iceland Trip
- Football Tour to Holland
- PGL Netball Tour
- Sports Day successes
- Careers Fair with over 40 external companies coming into support our students
- Film Festival rewards events
- Sporting achievements county-wide
- House Music Competition and Performing Arts House Competition
- Charity events: Christmas Hampers, Staff Christmas Present Appeal, Non-uniform Days for Comic Relief and Children In Need
- PSHE Days with multi-agency days covering a range of topics for our students
- The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze & Silver
- Over 60 extra-curricular activities offered
- STEM events
- Communication agenda with DEAR Time, SALAD Days and Reading Challenge
- World Book Day... to name a few!



Aspire • Challenge • Achieve

Our students have a wealth of opportunities to challenge themselves and achieve at Spalding Academy. We will continue to build up our opportunities to ensure we offer the best events for our students in the local area. I would like to pass my thanks onto my amazing body of staff as events like these wouldn't happen without their support and dedication.

As a school community we are incredibly proud of our Ofsted report in April 2025. Some of the highlights include:

Spalding Academy has taken effective action to maintain the standards identified at the previous inspection.

The school is caring and welcoming. It has high expectations of what students can achieve and how they should behave. Everything the school does is underpinned by its values of 'Aspire, Challenge and Achieve.'

Students have excellent attitudes to learning. They engage well with learning activities and show resilience when work is more demanding. There are positive, respectful relationships between staff and pupils. Students say that staff support them well.

The school has planned exceptionally well for students' broader development. Students learn about healthy relationships, healthy lifestyles and equality. Students have many opportunities to contribute meaningfully to school life. They get high-quality pastoral support.

Sport at Spalding Academy continues to go from strength to strength. We have a large uptake of students who participate in a wide range of sporting activities across the school. We are therefore proud that Spalding Academy has achieved the School Games Gold Mark Award for the 2024/25 academic year. Well done to the PE department for continuing to provide opportunities for the students.

I am pleased to announce our Head Students for the next academic year. We had over 30 applications letters which were shortlisted down to 10 students, who were all interviewed for this position.

Our newly appointed Head Students are:

- **Jacob Herman**
- **Jasmine Holmes**
- **Marcin Koscielniak**
- **Karolina Uzpelke**

Our newly appointed Senior Prefects are:

- **Alexis Dakteris**
- **Amelia Legood**
- **Sasha Moon**

This week, students in Years 7 to 10 have had their 'Film Festival'. The students enjoyed popcorn, sweets and a drink whilst watching the film and had an ice cream at the interval, this was followed by a draw for students to win vouchers for £20, £15, £10 and £5. The atmosphere was fantastic and well done to all of the students who were involved.

Well done to the students who took part in The Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award expedition this week. Thank you to Mr Abraham and Miss Kilby for your support.

I would like to draw your attention to our return to school in September 2025. Students will return to school as follows:

- **Thursday 4th September 2025** (Years 7, 10 and 11 only)
- **Friday 5th September 2025** (Years 8 and 9 will return - all students are expected to be in school)

At the end of the update, we have included the term dates for 2025/26. We would like to remind parents/carers, that students are not allowed to take holidays during term time as this can impact on their learning. The term dates are provided with advance notice to allow you to plan ahead and on our website (www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/term-dates) we have also published the term dates for 2026/27.

For our Year 11 students their GCSE & BTEC Results Day is:

- **Thursday 21st August 2025** (from 8am to 10.30am)

To ensure that all students return to school in September 2025 in the correct uniform and maintain the excellent standards, we have included the Uniform Policy for 2025/26 at the end of the update. As well as wearing the correct items of clothing, we would like to draw your attention to the policy for hairstyles, jewellery, make-up etc. Your support in ensuring the uniform policy is adhered to is always appreciated so students can focus on learning.

To keep safe over the summer period, we would like to remind parents and students that our safeguarding details are on the school website. Visit www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/feeling-worried-or-anxious or www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/safeguarding should you or students need some support, advice or help during the summer period. This includes our worried email (worried@spaldingacademy.org.uk), which will be monitored over the summer break. If you have any immediate safeguarding concerns, please contact Childrens Services on 01522 782111 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm) or for out-of-hours emergencies, call 01522 782333.


Our Student Wellbeing Charter has been a fantastic addition to our support for students this year, this demonstrates our commitment to our students wellbeing and mental health. Students can visit www.spaldingacademy.org.uk/student-wellbeing-charter for the Student Wellbeing website.

I would like to thank all students and parents/carers for your patience with the site developments. We have exciting site improvements across the school to continue to provide high quality facilities. We are looking forward to sharing these with you in September.

The Trust and the School is a truly special place. Every school-based decision we make, always has the students at the heart. I cannot wait to see our students in September, ready for another great year!

I wish all of our students, families and carers a fantastic summer holiday and looking forward to the next academic year.

Kindest regards,



Mr Glenn Martin

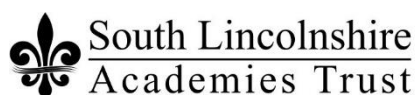
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- www.instagram.com/SpaldingAcademy
- www.facebook.com/SpaldingAcademy
- www.x.com/SpaldingSLAT

Term Dates 2025/26



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■ School Holiday
 ■ Bank / Public Holiday
 ■ Staff Training Day
 ■ Years 7, 10 & 11 return
 ■ All year groups return

1ST TERM 2025

Thursday 4th September - Friday 24th October 2025

- Years 7, 10, 11 & 12 return on Thursday 4th September 2025
- All year groups return on Friday 5th September 2025

HOLIDAY

Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October 2025

2ND TERM 2025

Monday 3rd November - Friday 19th December 2025

HOLIDAY

Monday 22nd December 2025 - Friday 2nd January 2026

3RD TERM 2026

Monday 5th January - Friday 13th February 2026

HOLIDAY

Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February 2026

4TH TERM 2026

Monday 23rd February - Thursday 2nd April 2026

HOLIDAY

Friday 3rd April - Friday 17th April 2026

5TH TERM 2026

Monday 20th April - Friday 22nd May 2026

HOLIDAY

Monday 4th May 2026 (May Day)

Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May 2026

6TH TERM 2026

Monday 1st June - Friday 17th July 2026

STAFF TRAINING DAYS when your child will not have to attend school are allocated as follows:

Tuesday 2nd September 2025

Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Uniform Policy for Years 7 to 11

The way that students dress is important to create a smart, disciplined and purposeful academic environment, and as role models to promote the public image of Spalding Academy in the wider community.

At the start of every term, students are issued with a 'Strike Card' to ensure our uniform standards are maintained. Any uniform infringements may result in detention or isolation depending on the infringement.

PLEASE NOTE THAT IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT FOR ALL ITEMS OF UNIFORM TO BE LABELLED.

Black blazer with Academy badge

- Available ONLY from Nationwide School Uniforms.
- To be worn at all times on the school site unless specific permission has been given by a member of staff.

Plain black V-neck jumper

- This must be plain black and V-neck. A jumper is in addition to the blazer, not instead of a blazer. No cardigans, sweatshirts or hoodies.

Academy Year group tie

- Available ONLY from Nationwide School Uniforms.
- Students keep the same colour tie in each year at school.

Black skirt with SLAT Trust emblem

- Available ONLY from Nationwide School Uniforms.
- Must be no shorter than 5cm above the knee and no longer than 10cm above the ankle.
- Skirts must NOT be rolled over at the waist.
- Black trousers with SLAT Trust emblem can be worn instead of a black skirt.

Black trousers with SLAT Trust emblem

- Available ONLY from Nationwide School Uniforms.
- To be worn off the ground and level with shoes.

White shirt

- Long or short sleeved, worn tucked in and all buttons fastened. No reverse or button-down collars.

Black leather effect school shoes

- No trainers/pumps. No high heels. No sport makes.
- Black leather effect flat boots may be worn with trousers only.

Socks

- Plain black only. No stripes, colours or white sport socks. No sports logos.
- No trainer socks and no knee high socks, or over the knee (socks must be visible above shoes).

Tights

- Flesh coloured or black.
- No socks to be worn over tights.

Coat

- Coat in dark colours preferred (not to be worn inside).

PE KIT (SPALDING ACADEMY)

- **Royal blue polo shirt with collar** (available ONLY from Nationwide School Uniforms)
- **Rugby / Multisport top** (available ONLY from Nationwide School Uniforms)
- **Plain black shorts** (no stripes, colours or cycling shorts)
- **Trainers** (with laces and non marking soles)
- **Football boots**
- **Black football socks**
- **White sports socks** (trainer socks are NOT permitted)
- **Shin pads**
- **Mouthguard**

Optional items to be worn ONLY for PE

- **Plain black sweatshirt** (round-neck with no hood)
- **Plain black tracksuit bottoms** (no stripes or colours)
- **Plain black Skort** (available ONLY from Nationwide School Uniforms)
- **Plain black leggings** (available ONLY from Nationwide School Uniforms)
- **Plain black base layer** (must be worn under tops or shorts only)

HAIR STYLE

- No extreme hairstyles (i.e. no unnatural colours or contrast colourings are permitted and no shaven lines in hair).
- Discreet hair accessories only (dark colours only).
- The school has discretion in these matters. Please contact the school if any of the above needs clarifying.

JEWELLERY/OTHER

- A single small stud or small sleeper may be worn in each ear lobe.
- One ring on each hand is allowed but must be discreet.
- One bracelet or charity bracelet is allowed but must be discreet.
- No facial/alternative body piercing jewellery is acceptable.
- One plain necklace may be worn (not to be seen).
- No gel nails, acrylic or nail varnish (even natural colours).
- No make-up (including fake tan) in Year 7 and 8. Year 9, 10 and 11 subtle make-up only.
- No false eyelashes, eyebrows or lash extensions. No lines/slits in eyebrows.
- No fashion belts.
- Any religious head covering should be plain in either black or white.