

# Head of School

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

As we reach the end of Term 1, it's hard to believe how quickly the weeks have flown by! It has been a fantastic start to the academic year, and we are incredibly proud of all our students for their hard work and achievements so far.

A special mention must go to our wonderful Year 7 students who have completed their very first term with us. They have settled in exceptionally well and made a brilliant start to their secondary school journey - well done!

It was an absolute pleasure this week to see our Year 7 students singing their hearts out in our SLAT Super Choir, where all students showcased the singing skills they have been perfecting over the term in their Music lessons. We mastered our live performance in one take for the recording which will feature in a SLAT choir project. I was so impressed with our Year 7 students, who performed as if they were stars on the stage giving it everything they have with actions and expression to support their singing - just wonderful!



This week, our Year 10 students took part in their Geography fieldwork trip to Lincoln as part of their GCSE studies. On Monday and Wednesday, students explored the theme of Urban Issues and Challenges. They began their day in the historic Cathedral Quarter, observing the city's layout and structure, before working in small groups to gather primary data in areas that have undergone recent regeneration, such as the city centre and Brayford Waterfront. The data collected will now be used in their Geography lessons to support their coursework. Well done to all involved for representing the school so well.

A reminder that Year 10 and 11 students are invited to the SLAT Sixth Form Open Evening at Bourne Academy on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2025, from 6pm to 8pm. This is a great opportunity to explore the post-16 pathways available, meet the staff, and learn more about the subjects and outstanding outcomes achieved by Sixth Form students. For more information and to **register in advance** for fast track entry, please visit: [www.bourneacademy.org/sixthform](http://www.bourneacademy.org/sixthform)



Years 10 & 11 from all schools in the local area are welcome to our

# SLAT SIXTH FORM Open Evening

**Thursday 13th November 2025**  
6.00pm to 8.00pm

**SAVE THE DATE**

**BOURNE ACADEMY**

Aspire • Challenge • Achieve

The banner features a photograph of two students in a laboratory setting, one using a microscope. The Bourne Academy logo is a square with a stylized infinity symbol and the text 'BOURNE ACADEMY'.

Also after half term, there are two recruitment events being held at Spalding Academy on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2025. To inspire future teachers, there is a **'Get Into Teaching'** event - this is an fantastic opportunity for anyone who wants to work as a teacher at any of the schools in our Trust or in other secondary schools in Lincolnshire, Rutland and Peterborough. We are also holding a **'Become a Teaching Assistant'** event as we are looking to recruit even more Teaching Assistants to join our SEN team. Working as a Teaching Assistant is a great way to work into education and progress your career. To attend, please visit [www.slat.org.uk/vacancies](http://www.slat.org.uk/vacancies) to register in advance.



## Get Into Teaching OPEN EVENING

**Wednesday 5th November 2025 • 5.30pm to 7pm**  
AT SPALDING ACADEMY

Discover how you can 'Get Into Teaching' and gain a recognised teaching qualification with our one-year school centred Initial Teacher Training.

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**South Lincolnshire Academies Trust**

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## Become a Teaching Assistant INFORMATION EVENING

**Wednesday 5th November 2025 • 5.30pm to 7pm**  
AT SPALDING ACADEMY

You are invited to discover how becoming a Teaching Assistant is a highly rewarding and valued role in the schools at our Trust.

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On Thursday, we were delighted to host the BBC Bitesize Careers Roadshow, which was an inspirational event. The session provided valuable insights into a wide range of career opportunities and included a Q&A with guest speakers. We are incredibly grateful to our Careers Team for organising such a successful event, which links perfectly with our school motto: *Aspire, Challenge, Achieve*.

Our students continue to take part in a wide range of sporting activities and competitions. Highlights this term include the Year 7 netball team's fantastic win against Bourne Academy, ongoing football fixtures, and participation in girls' cricket. We are proud of the teamwork, effort, and sportsmanship shown by all students representing the school in sport.



As the evenings get darker and the roads busier, we would like to remind all students of the importance of being safe and sensible when cycling to and from school and in the wider community. Please ensure you are wearing a helmet, using front and rear bike lights, and high-visibility clothing where possible. Always follow the rules of the road, be aware of your surroundings, and show consideration to pedestrians and other road users. Riding responsibly not only keeps you safe but also sets a great example to others and helps build a safer community for everyone.

As we approach our annual Remembrance event on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2025, we are honoured to support the Royal British Legion's 2025 Poppy Appeal. Poppies will be available to purchase via our Head Students, who will be visiting form groups throughout the first week back after half term. All donations are gratefully received.

To further raise awareness of the significance of Remembrance, we have launched a whole-school poppy design competition, encouraging creativity and reflection. Our incredible Art Department has also been working hard to produce beautiful, individually crafted ceramic poppies, which will form part of this year's commemorative display.

Thank you for your continued support throughout this busy and successful term. We wish you all a restful and enjoyable half-term break, and we look forward to welcoming students back for Term 2 on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025.

Kindest regards,

**Mr Glenn Martin**

Head of School, Spalding Academy

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- [www.x.com/SpaldingSLAT](https://www.x.com/SpaldingSLAT)