

Head of School UPDATE

Friday 12th June 2026



Dear parents/carers and students,

We are delighted to share some of the exciting enrichment opportunities our students have been involved in recently.

Our Sports Leaders did a fantastic job organising and delivering a highly successful Mini Olympics, demonstrating excellent leadership, teamwork, and communication skills while supporting younger students.

On Wednesday, a small group of students joined with students from our other Trust schools on a trip to the Big Bang Fair in Birmingham. Students had the opportunity to explore a wide range of STEM careers and also engaged in hands-on scientific experiences, helping to inspire future aspirations. It was a fantastic opportunity to work with our other Trust schools and an excellent day of developing STEM understanding.

Our Year 7 students recently took part in a valuable cultural trip, visiting both Peterborough Cathedral and the Faizan E Madina Mosque. This experience supported their understanding of different faiths and cultures, while promoting respect, tolerance, and inclusivity.



These opportunities are part of our wider enrichment programme, which continues to offer students a broad range of experiences to develop new skills, interests, and friendships beyond the classroom. We are incredibly proud of the enthusiasm and engagement shown by our students across these activities.

We have also recognised students who achieved 100% attendance in Term 5 with our usual sweet treats. I am pleased to share that over 500 students reached this milestone. This is a fantastic achievement, and it reinforces the strong link between excellent attendance and academic success.

On Thursday, we held our SALAD Day (Speaking and Listening Activity Day). Lessons for Years 7 to 10 focused on developing communication skills, with little to no writing involved. While classrooms are often calm and quiet, it was wonderful to hear a real buzz around the school as students engaged in debates, presentations, group discussions, and team-based activities. Staff across all subjects worked hard to plan engaging lessons that placed speaking and listening at the heart of learning.

One of the fantastic literacy initiatives we have to encourage students to engage with reading is our Accelerated Reader programme. This is where our Year 7 and 8 students have time during their afternoon registration to read their chosen books, which can then be carried on as home learning. They can then use the Accelerated Reader portal to check their targets, progress towards their targets and take quizzes. Congratulations to the following students who are top achievers in their House for Term 5.

Blue House	- Meeting Points Target:	Sebastian Ramanenka (Year 8)
	- 100% on a Reading Quiz:	Ashton Harris (Year 8)
Green House	- Meeting Points Target:	Oliver Smook (Year 7)
	- Completed Reading Bookmark:	Eddie-Ray-Louis Fernandes (Year 8)
Orange House	- Meeting Points Target:	Julia Szeliga (Year 8)
Purple House	- Meeting Points Target:	Oscar Goodliff (Year 8)
	- Completed Reading Bookmark:	Lottie Hammond (Year 7)
Red House	- Meeting Points Target:	Eliza Spencer (Year 7)
Yellow House	- Meeting Points Target:	Jaimee Lucas (Year 7)
	- Completed Reading Bookmark:	Amelia Roesner (Year 7)

Thank you to everyone who has already purchased tickets for our end of year musical 'Bookworm' as we are nearly sold out for the Friday night already! There will be three evening performances to entertain audiences of all ages on Wednesday 1st, Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd July 2026. We have an incredible cast of student performers from Years 7 to 11 who will be singing, acting and dancing this original variety production that celebrates teamwork, understanding, friendship and the transformative magic of performance. The show will feature hits from various hits musicals including Our House, Mamma Mia!, Come From Away and Everybody's Talking About Jamie. Tickets are £4 / £6 per person from www.ticketsource.co.uk/spaldingacademy and you can select your preferred seats when booking. As always, thank you for your amazing support with these productions.



Spalding Academy presents...

BOOKWORM

An Original Variety Production

**WEDNESDAY 1ST, THURSDAY 2ND
& FRIDAY 3RD JULY 2026**

Tickets available from www.ticketsource.co.uk/spaldingacademy

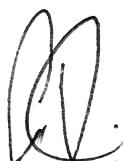


The poster features a blue background with a yellow bottom section. It displays the title 'BOOKWORM' in large, bold, yellow letters. Below the title, it says 'An Original Variety Production'. The dates 'WEDNESDAY 1ST, THURSDAY 2ND & FRIDAY 3RD JULY 2026' are prominently displayed. At the bottom, there is a QR code and the text 'Tickets available from www.ticketsource.co.uk/spaldingacademy'. The central image shows five students in school uniforms (white shirts and blue and yellow striped ties) peeking through holes in a blue surface, looking towards the camera with various expressions.

Finally, thank you to all Year 7 parents and carers who attended our recent Parents' Evening last night. It was a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress and support their continued success in their first year with us.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kindest regards,



Mr Glenn Martin

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