



# Newsletter

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Spalding Academy is now officially a Good school

# Head Teacher's Message



Dear Parent / Carer,

It is going to be quite a challenge to fit in all that needs to be said after such a busy and successful term 6, but I hope that I manage to cover as much as possible.

Firstly, it was an extremely sad time to see our Year 11 students leave Spalding Academy, I will certainly miss all of the students in this year group, I have many fond memories of their time at the school and I really hope they do too. However, we hosted a fantastic prom to celebrate and mark the end of this stage of their educational career at the school and I certainly wish all

our leavers all the best for the future and every success in their future careers. Many of our Year 11 students will be returning to our Trust in September to study an A Level or BTEC programme of study at Bourne Academy and there was a highly successful Post 16 induction day this term.

The all-important results day is on Thursday 22 August for Year 11 and for Post 16 enrolment, with doors opening at 07.30am. I will be publishing the results in the local press, on the school website and I will be writing to parents to share the key highlights.

Other successful transition events this term include the appointment of our new Year 10 prefects, with just over 100 students being awarded their prefect ties and attending a Prefect Celebration Breakfast. The Year 6 taster day, where all the staff and amazing current Year 7 Buddies and Mrs Hemingway and Mrs Cousins, the Year 7 lead staff, welcomed our new cohort of Year 7 students. It was good to see so many students choosing Spalding Academy and I can confirm that our school is again oversubscribed, with 270 new Year 7's joining us in September.

As well as academic success you will see in this newsletter many other achievements that celebrate the number of talented students we have at Spalding Academy. This term saw a great deal of success within the arts, with art trips to the Usher Gallery in Lincoln for Year 9, where students observed classic and contemporary art in one setting and to the British Museum & Design Museum in London for Year 10, which will support the students coursework projects. The art talent at Spalding Academy is inspirational and it is a highly popular and successful area of the school.

Also this term a high level of performance talent has been showcased in every year group, with many students successfully completing their Arts Award qualification in Year 9. This qualification is challenging and allows students to gain a range of skills from team building to leadership. Well done to all those students who have completed this award, it is a great achievement. The performing arts team of staff and students organised and ran the departments first residential trip to London to see Aladdin the musical, due to the great success of this trip I am sure we will see many more running in the future!

Other key highlights this term include some highly successful trips & visits such as the Year 9, 10 and 12 Geography field trips to many UK destinations and you will see on page 8 that it has been a very busy and purposeful term for this department, with students being able to gather important data and information to support their coursework. You will also be able to read about the Year 7 Lincoln Cathedral Spark Festival on page 6, where students were able to explore engineering opportunities, which they will hopefully explore further through the school's careers programme. The area of careers is one that we take very seriously and this will be a regular feature of the newsletter moving forward. All of the staff at Spalding Academy encourage our young people to aim as high as possible, we run many initiatives to raise aspiration.

# Head Teacher's Message

The sporting achievements of our students can be seen featured throughout this newsletter and there are so many successes that it is hard to identify just one or two as the key highlights! However, I would like to thank all of our students involved in the huge number of sporting events, as their dedication is inspirational and our PE staff, who are a strong team. The staff and students work so well together and this teamwork is seen in the high level of sporting successes, including the annual Sports Day at the Boston track, where records were broken. One of the most notable successes for me however, is that of Jack Spillett in Year 7, who won a gold medal at the WMO European Kickboxing competition, what a fantastic achievement! In addition, I was impressed by the organisation and running of the Summer Dance Show - 'Shimmer and Shine it's Summer Time', which saw our two Trust schools Spalding & Bourne Academy coming together for the first time for this kind of event, which was a huge success and showcased such a high level of talent ... including some guest appearances from staff! We are very proud of all of our sporting student successes and I am sure we will see continued and ongoing success in 2019/20!

With all that you have seen through our newsletters throughout the year, it will be no surprise to see that Spalding Academy was nominated for Secondary School of the Year again, an award we have previously won. This year we were proud to have been nominated for this category and to runner up in this event. Congratulations also to Liana Juberte, who won the award for Student of the Year, I felt extremely proud of Liana who was the first ever student I met at Spalding Academy when we started working with the school in 2017, she is an amazing young lady who has achieved well at Spalding Academy. Our other awards success was at the Business Education Awards in London on the 4th July, with Spalding Academy being highly commended for an Outstanding Progress Award. This award is the result of the hard work and dedication of the students, staff and Governors, also it recognises all the support that the parents have shown to the school during the period of change since it has been part of The South Lincolnshire Academies Trust.

Everybody involved in the development of Spalding Academy deserves the recognition that the two awards listed above brings. However, this term has brought an even bigger award for the school, being the recent Ofsted inspection and the recognition at last that Spalding Academy is a Good school. During the inspection process I spent a lot of time with the inspection team and I was able to hear them describing our school in such a positive way ... as a harmonious environment, with good teaching and with students who are proud of their school, polite, courteous and self-assured. This report is something for the school and the wider community to be proud of and I would like to thank all of the students, staff and parents for their belief in the school and for your ongoing support - the students in particular deserve this report! There has been a great deal of change since the South Lincolnshire Academies Trust started working with Spalding Academy, some of which has been challenging, but parents have always been supportive of the leadership vision and this judgement endorses that the school is now good. Our aim now is that we aspire to be Outstanding!

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a restful and enjoyable summer break! This has been a fantastic academic year for Spalding Academy and I look forward to welcoming all our young people back to school in September.

Lucy Conley. Executive Head teacher.

# Art & Design News

Students from Year 9 Art's Award enjoyed a day out in style this term. Travelling to Lincoln's Usher Gallery they saw exhibitions ranging from old classical art to modern cinematic installations.

**The Collection**  
Art and Archaeology in Lincolnshire



**The National Centre  
for Craft & Design**

A trip down memory lane included art by Quentin Blake, and sculptures created from *A Misremembered Childhood* by Barbara Melling.



# Art & Design News

Year 10 students spent the day in London gathering primary source photos for their upcoming coursework. Art students were taken to the British Museum to see displays from Asia and Africa, and 3D Art pupils then travelled to the Design Museum, in the Designer Maker User exhibition, which poses questions on why we make certain products, and how designs can affect the world around us.



# English News

## Key Stage Four - Term Six

### Year 11s:

This term has seen our Year 11s finish their English language exams. It has been a very emotional experience for both students and staff since many have known each other since Year 7.

The May half term crammer sessions supported students with a walk through of both papers' questions and any uncertainties were resolved through the morning and afternoon therapies.

Seeing them blossom into young, mature adults has been a wonderfully fulfilling event, which, although tinged with sadness that they are leaving us to pursue their dreams, will never be forgotten.

On the day of the exam many attended early morning crammer sessions, commencing at 7.15am, to calm nerves and instil confidence. This level of commitment recognises the diligence and keenness of our students which we believe should be reflected in their August results.

### Year 10s:

During this final term the Year 10s have been focusing on finalising their knowledge of the Shakespearean play, 'Macbeth' and the Elizabethan context of the era, together with preparing and, in many instances, taking their speaking and listening exam.

Their once a week language sessions continued to support them for their English Language Paper One and Two PPEs and the students exhibited a high level of maturity in the hall during these very informative exams. Their results were formalised in an assembly and from these they were able to receive targeted feedback to highlight areas for improvement.

We wish our students a fun filled summer break and look forward to seeing them flourish in their final academic year when we return in September.

# Food Technology News

Year 7 have been creating their own designs for a picnic this term.



Year 8 have created their own celebration cake, including Annie's, inspired by Willy Wonka.



Year 9 have been designing animal cakes for their last project this term.



# Mathematics News

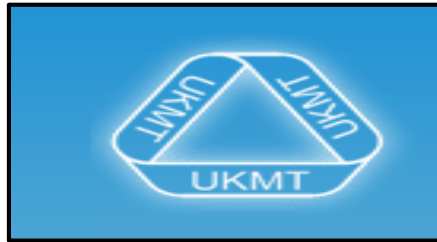
## Mathematics - Summer 2019

What an exceptionally busy summer we have had!

After working with around 180 extremely hard working Year 11 students, who stayed focused until their exams, things should have begun to get more relaxed .... Definitely not!. Since the end of the GCSEs, we have had every year group take 2 exams. The Year 10s undertook their first PPE, and behaved extremely well; so as you can imagine, just like our youngsters, we are ready for the break.

We regrettably are losing Mr Wright from the department, which will be a great loss; however, we do have 3 new members of staff joining the team in September in readiness for a further 270 Yr 7s starting.

Alongside the exams, more able students took part in the area Junior UKMT. As usual, the students were successful; here are the results:



Silver Yr 8:- Gemma Walsh, Arnas Baublys, Michal Chamera, Pawel Pisarczyk, Reuben Warren Goode

Bronze Yr 8:- James Mister, Dawid Kowalczyk, Lily Cutler

Bronze Yr 7:- Erin McMurray, Jayden Boyd, Megan Beeson  
Congratulations all who took part.



Wishing everyone a very relaxing and safe holiday,  
from the Maths team

I ordered a takeaway from the local Chinese last night. I ordered a 23, a 13, a 31 and a 79.  
I had to take them back. They tasted odd.



# Music News

## Spalding Academy Choir

This has been an important year for the Spalding Academy Music Department and more importantly the Spalding Academy choir. The eleven members of the choir have shown outstanding levels of commitment, professionalism and integrity throughout the entire year and are considered an asset to the Music Department and school.

In this term alone the choir have performed in the Spalding Academy Summer Show with an incredible cast of amazing dancers from both Spalding Academy and Bourne Academy. They represented the school by performing for parents at the Year 6 Information Evening and they entertained the parents of future pupils by performing at the Spalding Academy Open Evening. Each performance given by the choir this year shows the level of pure talent and ambition present within this school.

I am looking forward to seeing the choir grow over the upcoming years and welcoming Mr Spires in to the department in September.

Mr Barrett

Head of Music

Spalding Academy



## What a Year!

### Year 7

Year 7 have had a brilliant year exploring Performing Arts as a subject, some of them for the first time. They have been focusing on developing the basic skills of the subject, while discovering how to effectively tell stories and devise performances in their own way.

Stars of the Term			Topic Studied
Term 1	Annie Carter	Ellie Smith	Page to Stage - Roald Dahl
Term 2	Oliver Waterfall	Maryfel Payumo	Heroes and Villains
Term 3	Naomi Warren	Aleks Geecs	Oliver Twist
Term 4	Jack Keyzers	Alfie Farrar	Time Travel
Term 5 & 6	Domas Cemolonskas	Kyle Boyd	A Series of Unfortunate Events
			Alternative Childhood Stories

### Year 8

Year 8 have had a fantastic year continuing students learning journeys in Performing Arts and developing their skills further. Students this year study more challenging subjects, focussing on more complex techniques to see if they would like to take the subject further as an option in Year 9.

Stars of the Term			Topic Studied
Term 1	Emily Thomas	Tom Winwright	Harry Potter
Term 2	Dziugas Baziliauskas	Thomas Lord	Devising
Term 3	Molly Charlston Stokes	Brad Wetherill	Comedy
Term 4	Gemma Walsh	Ulrikas Jokubas	Bugsy Malone
Term 5 & 6	Baiba Ozolina	Oskar Bucholski	Our Day Out
			Hook

# Performing Arts News

## Year 9

Year 9 have been working exceptionally hard this year and we have been very lucky to work with some incredibly talented young performers. The topics covered this year are very challenging and designed to push the students in both practical and theoretical aspects of the subject.

Stars of the Term			Topic Studied
Term 1	Raluca Gheorghe	Kaysie Dickinson	Staging the Supernatural
Term 2	Ella Stanberry	Zoe Nicholls	Performance Techniques
Term 3	Roxanna Coltatu	Emar-Leigh Payne	Devising
Term 4	Julia Nycek	Millie-Mae Walker	Teechers – John Godber
Term 5 & 6	Nikola Lesnik	Ben Parr	Romeo & Juliet – Stage Combat
			The Lovely Bones



Students in Year 9 have the opportunity to complete an Arts Award Qualification. This is a nationally recognised Level One qualification and prepares students for the challenges of the subject at BTEC level. Arts Award also builds important skills such as

- Communication
  - Teamwork
  - Leadership
- Presenting in front of others
  - Independent planning
    - Organisation
    - Prioritising
  - Time management

Well done to all of our Performing Arts students for completing their Arts Award. This will be marked by an assessor in the new school year.

Rhiannon Adams
Paige Blunt
Maria Chirita
Kaysie Dickinson
Kate Drulle
Tayana Dube
Raluca Gheorghe
Connor Goodliffe
Kaitlyn Hansard
Lucy Howitt
Molly Ireland
Artjoms Karzinins
Erin Langford
Nikola Lesnik
Milly Long
Libby Mayne
Ben Parr
Ella Stanberry
Millie – Mae Walker
Mariola Zurkowska

# Performing Arts News

Year  
10

Year 10 have had a very busy year completing Component 1 of their BTEC qualification. This component counts for a third of their grade so it is very important. Students are assessed on their ability to rehearse in a professional manner and participate in workshops. They need to reflect on the development of their skills throughout their theory work, while discussing the creative intentions of repertoires they have seen. They have all worked hard and will complete Component 2 & 3 in Year 11. Well done Year 10!

Stars of the Term		Topic Studied
Term 1	Gio Freza	Bouncers – John Godber (Comedy)
Term 2	Alfie Wilson	
Term 3	Jessica Mitchell	I Love You Mum, I Promise I Won't Die – Mark Wheeler (Verbatim Theatre)
Term 4	Joshua Washington	
Term 5	Eva Samuileviciute	Billy Elliot (Concept Musical)
Term 6	Summer Waterfall	

Assessment Memories



# Performing Arts News

Year  
11

Saying goodbye to Year 11 is never easy as we work so closely with them in Performing Arts over the two year course. We have the pleasure of watching them build their performance skills, explore several different repertoires until they have to work together to build a devised performance of their own based on a stimulus for their final exam, Component 3.

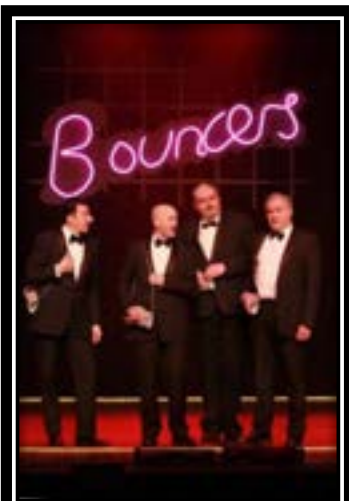
We would like to congratulate all of our Year 11 students for their hard work in this subject and we cannot wait to share results day with you! Good Luck!

Stars of the Term			Topic Studied
Term 1	Sanija Smilge	Jessica Bircham	Component 2 Blood Brothers
Term 2	Alisha Sharman	Gabija Dubinskaite	
Term 3	Travis Tomlinson	Zala Miller	Component 3 Performing to a Brief
Term 4	Nuria Correia	Tommy Taylor	

## Performing Arts : School Trips!

*We love offering extracurricular opportunities for our students; this year we have been exceptionally lucky to be able to offer a trip to each year group at Spalding Academy. We love taking students to experience live theatre and see how the professionals perform!*

Year 7 & 8 – Annie  
Year 9 – Bouncers  
Year 10 – London  
Residential



# Performing Arts News

## London Residential:

This year we ran the first overnight residential trip for Year 10 to London. We had a brilliant time exploring the capital with 30 of our fantastic students, who represented Spalding Academy very well. We went to see Aladdin the Musical, walk through then centre of the city and explore the sights, enjoy meals together and experience real horror in the London Dungeons! The trip was a great success and we are hoping to offer this opportunity to future year groups.



## Performing Arts : Thank you!



*Our Care Teams include doctors, nurses, therapists, and spiritual support. It is our aim to provide the best possible, personalised care 24 hours a day for the duration of someone's stay.*

*The unit is staffed by a clinical team with specialised skills in dealing with the physical and emotional effects of life limiting illnesses including cancer, heart disease and frailty conditions.*

*Our patients come to us for respite, symptom control and for care at the end of life. We aim to enrich people's quality of life by relieving symptoms such as breathlessness, pain and other distressing problems through the skills of our experienced and caring teams.*

The Performing Arts Department are finishing the year by giving something back to our local community. It is a privilege to be asked by the people of The Butterfly Hospice Trust to put together a performance to celebrate this fantastic charity at their event.

# P.E. News

## Rounders.

### Year 10:

On Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June, the Year 10 rounders team went across to Spalding High School for the annual rounders tournament. They played against teams from Bourne Academy and Spalding High School. The team started well and showed some great batting and fielding throughout the game, which saw them lose by just  $\frac{1}{2}$  a rounder. They continued to play well and the scores were very close. In the final standings, the team came 4<sup>th</sup>. A big thank you to Sanjia and Sophia who are in Year 9 but played up a year for the Year 10's as some of their players dropped out on the day of the tournament!

### Year 7:

On Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July the Year 7 rounders team went across to Spalding High School for their first ever rounders tournament. They played against teams from The Deepings, Bourne Academy and Spalding High School. Their first game was against The Deepings, a few uncharacteristic mistakes (possibly down to nerves) meant some of the team's best players were stumped out which added pressure to the remaining girls. The game ended  $5 \frac{1}{2}$  to  $5 \frac{1}{2}$  - it was a draw, however because The Deepings got more of our team out they took the win. The girls kept their heads up and played Bourne Academy, they lost  $9 \frac{1}{2}$  to  $3 \frac{1}{2}$ , however fielding was still strong as they got 4 of the Bourne players out! Going in to their final game the girls regained focus and gave it their best go. With excellent fielding and team work they managed to get 7 of the 9 Spalding High School players out but unfortunately lost on rounder's scored. The team came 4<sup>th</sup> but show great potential for next year.

Miss Ringrose



## Shimmer and Shine It's Summer Time- School Dance Show





## Shimmer and Shine It's Summer Time .

Over the past 8 weeks the Spalding Academy Dance Troupe had been working incredibly hard to learn choreography to 21 different songs ready to perform in the schools dance show 'Shimmer and Shine, it's Summer Time' which took place on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June. The dance troupe demonstrated they had dedication and determination to make this show the best one yet, this resulted in them giving up 4 lunchtimes a week and between 2-3 nights after school to rehearse!

As well as the Spalding Academy Dance Troupe, I am also delighted to say that the choir from Spalding Academy and our dance friends from Bourne Academy were asked to perform with us as our special guests. I was travelling to Bourne Academy every Thursday afternoon to work with the Bourne Academy girls to teach them the choreography to 11 dances so they could join in and perform with the Spalding Academy dancers. Mr Barrett worked hard with the schools choir who learnt 5 different songs which included two soloists.

Leading up to the shows ticket sales were disappointing. Knowing how much time, effort, dedication and mainly how much the dancers had improved, I wanted them to have the audience they deserved to show off their incredible talents. However, tickets sales soon rocketed to the point where staff and pupils were advised if they definitely wanted to see the show they needed to get tickets ASAP, as there was a great chance there wouldn't be any tickets left to sell on the door. We were in-fact looking at two sold out shows!

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June the cast had 3 lessons off-timetable for the final run through with the proper lighting and sound. As the music started and the students performed the opening number it was as if something had clicked - I have never seen them perform as well as they did! They were all in time with the music, going in the right directions, remembered all the choreography but most importantly they looked like they were actually enjoying themselves - this made me extremely proud.

As 3:30pm came around the atmosphere in the dressing room was ecstatic, the Year 9 girls were helping the 7 Year students with their make-up, curling their hair and being extremely helpful. The performers gathered in the east gym for one final team talk, at this moment the atmosphere was very calm and focused. A few words of wisdom, encouragement and last minute choreography recaps before everybody headed to their opening places ready to start at 7:00pm. The lights went down, the music started and the performers gave every ounce of energy and excitement they had for the next 2 hours!

The opening night was a major success and I was incredibly proud of each and every pupil up on that stage. For some, this was the first time they had ever performed in front of an audience. I honestly didn't think Friday's performance couldn't have been any better than Thursday's show, purely down to the fact of how amazing it was. Oh how they proved me wrong! Friday's show was even better; I have no idea how they still had so much energy!

I am also delighted and excited to announce that next year we will be putting on a Christmas Dance Show to fundraise for next year's competition.

I would like to finish by saying "thank you" to each and every performer for your hard work, dedication and commitment to the show's success. Also to parents/carers who supported their child for rehearsals after school and for supporting our school. To the parents who have sent emails or who spoke to me at the end of the shows to express how their child's confidence and self-esteem had grown after taking part in the Dance Show.

Darren Maddison and Polkadot Productions for generously lending us their costumes.

And of course, Mr Billinghamurst for giving up his evenings to perform in the show.

Miss Ringrose.

# P.E. News

## Spalding Academy Sports Day 2019

On the 26<sup>th</sup> June the annual Spalding Academy Sports Day took place at the Princess Royal Arena in Boston. 360 students took part in a wide range of traditional athletics event competing against each other for coveted house points. The day went really well and although it wasn't very warm it didn't rain which made for an enjoyable day for all involved.

After a day of some excellent individual performances including many new school records being set, the day finished with the inter-house mixed relay races. All the points were tallied up and house champions crowned for each year. Each year groups points were totalled up to give an overall school house champion as well.

Many thanks to all students and staff involved in making the day so great and the PE Dept. are looking forward to the 2020 Sports Day!

Mr Duggan Head of PE

### Year 7

72	<b>HOLLAND</b>
80	<b>TRINITY</b>
85	<b>NOVA</b>
79	<b>MCLAREN</b>
66	<b>PEAKE</b>
73	<b>JOHNSON</b>

### Year 8

71	<b>HOLLAND</b>
83	<b>TRINITY</b>
91	<b>NOVA</b>
80	<b>MCLAREN</b>
68	<b>PEAKE</b>
76	<b>JOHNSON</b>

### Year 9

70	<b>HOLLAND</b>
59	<b>TRINITY</b>
55	<b>NOVA</b>
120	<b>MCLAREN</b>
88	<b>PEAKE</b>
78	<b>JOHNSON</b>

### Year 10

78	<b>HOLLAND</b>
69	<b>TRINITY</b>
76	<b>NOVA</b>
65	<b>MCLAREN</b>
84	<b>PEAKE</b>
76	<b>JOHNSON</b>

# School News

Year 11 students had an amazing Prom celebrating in style at the Springfield's Marquee Suite.



# School News



## Education Business Awards

Recognising successful investment in education

4th July 2019  
Leonardo Royal Hotel  
London St Paul's



Spalding Academy were awarded an Outstanding Progress Achievement Award in the Business Education Awards in London.



At the Education awards at the South Holland Centre we were runners up for the best school of the year and it was noted that our Ofsted report was too late to be considered. Liana Juberte won the student of the year award.



# School News

## FOOTBALL REPORT FROM MILLIE REVELL YEAR 7

**I play for Boston United Under 12 Girls' as well as having represented our school girls team.**

My Boston United team play in the Peterborough Junior and District Alliance League. We **are the only girls' team in our league and finished 5<sup>th</sup>** this season. At the start of the season the results were not going with us but we all stuck together and listened to what our coach was telling us in training. Gradually we started to win games and ended the season winning most of our games.

Our team was asked to compete in a tournament in Barcelona, Spain to play against **different teams from all over the world. It was against boy's teams and we played really well to come 3<sup>rd</sup>** out of everyone. Owing to our performances we were invited to play in a tournament in Nottingham called the ACES National Competition. We competed against **teams from all over the UK and had to play a year up in the U13's category. In our group** were Reading, West London and Manchester. We beat West London 2-0 in a great team performance and drew against Reading and Manchester meaning that we topped our group making it in to the quarter-finals. In the quarter-finals we played North-West London and managed to win 1-0 taking us in to the semi-finals. Our semi-final fixture was against a very strong Sunderland team that had won all of their games. We managed to get a well-earned draw against them with the score 1-1. This meant that the game had to be decided on penalties, which we unfortunately lost 3-1. We managed to secure a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish as we had more points than the team that lost the other semi-final. This meant that my **team, Boston United Under 12 Girls' are officially the 3<sup>rd</sup>** best girls team in the UK for our age.

Here are some pictures of me and my team mates. We are really looking forward to next year and I am personally looking forward to progressing my football career for Boston United and Spalding Academy.



Millie is 7<sup>th</sup> from the left.



Millie is on the back row, third from the left.

# School News

## Celebrating our good Ofsted report.



Some key highlights are below ...

- The school has improved rapidly
- Pupils' behaviour is a strength of the school
- The school is a positive and harmonious community
- Pupils' attendance is good and contributes to their strong progress
- The progress pupils make across the curriculum is now good, particularly at Key Stage 4
- The curriculum is well matched to the needs of the pupils and ensures that they are well prepared for the next stage of education
- Pupils receive good advice
- Pupils feel safe in school
- Leaders and staff have created an atmosphere of care and support and are determined to do their best for each pupil
- Pupils are polite and enthusiastic and display good attitudes to learning
- Leaders have high aspiration for pupils' achievement
- Leaders and staff have created a culture built on shared values and the belief that all pupils can achieve well
- Equality of opportunity and diversity are successfully promoted through the ethos and environment of the school
- The quality of teaching is good
- The school's work to promote pupils' personal development and welfare is good
- The wellbeing of pupils, both physically and emotionally, is a priority of the school
- Parents are positive about the way the school cares for their children, and staff are determined to support them
- Pupils feel positive about their education and are proud of their school
- Pupils are polite, confident and self assured
- The behaviour of pupils is good
- Pupils are proud to be at the school and want to do well
- Relationships are very strong, both between pupils and between pupils and staff
- Pupils are courteous and helpful
- School leaders and those for governance know their school well. Trustees are knowledgeable and dedicated

# School News

PHSE and SMSC News.



This has been a busy term for KS3 students studying Citizenship. With the Trust taking the lead and becoming an early provider of the new statutory requirements, due in 2020, there have been some new exciting lessons where the students have widened their knowledge of the world around them in issues that may affect them in the future. KS4 have continued their SMSC and have covered topics such as Body Image, Careers, and Relationships.

On 17<sup>th</sup> July, Spalding Academy had its third and final PSHE day of the academic year. The day was enjoyed by all and students, and staff, where students had the chance to experience a variety of activities.

Year 7 and 8 celebrated Diversity. This ranged from different sports around the world including Danish long ball, Kabaddi, American Football and many more. In Art, they created their own printing, made masks in Drama and even made time for making Indian Sweets in Food Technology.

The Year 9's explored Genocide through History. In groups, they studied one particular Genocide and created an exhibition for other students to visit during the day to share the knowledge they had gained and to understand that Genocide continues in the world today.

The Year 10 students were involved in inspirational talks to inspire them in their future careers and Phil Knight delivered an exceptional talk on the dangers surrounding drugs. They finished off the day with a talk on Sex Education provided by Lincolnshire County Council.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the staff that have been involved throughout the year in these subject areas; it really will make a difference to the lives of the students at Spalding Academy.

Wishing you all a lovely summer

Mrs Watt

Lead for PSHE and SMSC



# School News

## SPALDING ACADEMY OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS EVENINGS

This past week has seen Spalding Academy host their annual Outstanding Achievement Evenings. Every year group has had their own awards evening where two students from every subject were nominated per year group in every subject, one nomination for Outstanding Progress throughout the academic year and one nomination per year group for a student that has shown Outstanding Effort throughout the academic year per subject. Spalding Academy's successful Key Stage 3 Gymnastics Squad were also awarded for their outstanding successes this year and also the Boys' Year 10 Basketball Squad were recognised for their successes this year in winning the Spalding/Bourne section of the South Lincs Sports Federation. The evenings were held over four nights, one per year group from Years 7-10 and each night the awards winners and their families were entertained by Spalding Academy's wonderful Dance group. Every evening was well attended and it was lovely sharing the successes of our students with their families, friends and members of staff. Over 150 students were rewarded for their Outstanding Achievements this academic year and Spalding Academy are extremely proud of all of the awards winners. A special thanks to all the parents and carers that continue to support Spalding Academy and their children's education, all the staff that made these awards evenings possible, the students for their continued hard work, the Dance troop for giving up their time each night to perform for us and also Springfield's and *Flowers N Things* for the lovely floral decorations for the evenings.

Mr I Billingham  
Pastoral Manager  
Spalding Academy



Year 7 winners



Year 8 winners



Year 9 winners



Year 10 winners

# School News

Awards night:

Gymnastics Squad = Angelika Kedra, Weronika Ragan, Vilde Bernotaite, Eveline Cale and Diya Eirosiute



Y8 HOY&PM = Peter Winfield, Adam Brundle, Oliwia Klicia & Lily-Anna Mallen-Wallace, Student & Pastoral Manager Award winners for Year 8



**SPALDING ACADEMY**  
**YEAR 7 END OF YEAR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT EVENING**  
**WEDNESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2019, 5.00PM**



**WINNERS**

SUBJECT	OUTSTANDING PROGRESS	OUTSTANDING EFFORT
ENGLISH	Nikola Serafin Alves	Ellie Smith
MATHEMATICS	Jayden Boyd	Laura Jurberga
SCIENCE	Daisy Fuller	Genevieve Stokes
RELIGIOUS STUDIES	Naomi Warren	Kristoffers Da Silva
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Abbie Elsey	Freddie Bent
GYMNASTICS		Lily Kelk & Grace Walters
CITIZENSHIP	Ellie Wilton	Annie Carter
ART	Kamelija Danius	Zanthi Neville
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	Jack Barrowcliff	Magdalena Gorajska
GEOGRAPHY	Valerija Aleksandrova	Adam Lyford
HISTORY	Naomi Warren	Jack Barrowcliff
SPANISH	Maya Szekely	Diana Raicea
FOOD TECHNOLOGY	Sienna Moon	Holly Duffy
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY	Kai Elding	Naomi Warren
MUSIC	Jean Allen	Zak Darley
PERFORMING ARTS	Isabel Drew	Ellie Smith
IMPROVED ATTENDANCE	Alfie Farrar	
STUDENT MANAGER AWARD	Holly Duffy	Julia Wielgosz
HEAD OF YEAR AWARD	Adam Lyford	Deon Shajil

## SPALDING ACADEMY

### YEAR 8 END OF YEAR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT EVENING

FRIDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2019, 5.00PM

### WINNERS



SUBJECT	OUTSTANDING PROGRESS	OUTSTANDING EFFORT
ENGLISH	Jessica Thorpe	Nina Lewkewicz-Spinda
MATHEMATICS	Lily-Anna Mallen-Wallace	Emily Broom
SCIENCE	Lily Cutler	Lily-Anna Mallen-Wallace
RELIGIOUS STUDIES	Rebecca Bembridge	Boyd Mansfield
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Ruby Doughty	Haval Gonera
GYMNASTICS		Angelika Kedra, Weronika Ragan, Vilte Bernotaite, Eveline Cale and Dija Eirosiute
CITIZENSHIP	Oliwia Klica	Quinlann Irving
ART	Wiktoria Baranowska	Mackenzie Holland
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	Patrycja Garbacz	Thomas Lord
GEOGRAPHY	Daniel Burley	Baiba Ozolina
HISTORY	Rebecca Bembridge	Timofej Kabak
SPANISH	Rebecca Bembridge	Angelika Kedra
FOOD TECHNOLOGY	Felicity Hession	Roxy Jee
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY	Hayley Lawrence	Sophie Male
MUSIC	Rohan Pinnick	Felicity Hession
PERFORMING ARTS	Oskar Bucholski	Thomas Winwright
IMPROVED ATTENDANCE	Chloe Gowler	
STUDENT MANAGER AWARD	Lily-Anna Mallen-Wallace	Peter Winfield
PASTORAL MANAGER AWARD	Adam Brundle	Oliwia Klica

## SPALDING ACADEMY

### YEAR 9 END OF YEAR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT EVENING

MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2019, 5.00PM

### WINNERS



SUBJECT	OUTSTANDING PROGRESS	OUTSTANDING EFFORT
ENGLISH	Michael Seruyange	Emily Brown
MATHEMATICS	Millie Walker	Erin Langford
SCIENCE	Oliwia Okopska	Joe Woods
RELIGIOUS STUDIES	Jarvoslav Kyslevic	Julia Nycek
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Daniel Belickis	Raluca Gheorghe
CITIZENSHIP	Ella Cross	Jayden Robinson
ART	Roxana Coltatu	John Cook
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	Raluca Gheorghe	Cody Rawson
GEOGRAPHY	Mariola Zurkowska	Tyler Lai
HISTORY	Olivia Dean	Benjamin Parr
SPANISH	Libby Mayne	Mia Dewing
FOOD TECHNOLOGY	Tabby Kightly	Tyler Lai
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY	Tyler Lai	Eloise Evans
MUSIC	Caine Darnell	Sarah-Jade Rutterford
PERFORMING ARTS	Lucy Howitt	Paige Blunt
SMSC	Erin Langford	Emma Pates
IMPROVED ATTENDANCE	Wiktor Lacka	
STUDENT MANAGER AWARD	Erin Langford	Millie Walker
PASTORAL MANAGER AWARD	Benjamin Parr	Libby Mayne

## SPALDING ACADEMY

### YEAR 10 END OF YEAR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT EVENING

TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2019, 5.00PM

### WINNERS



SUBJECT	OUTSTANDING PROGRESS	OUTSTANDING EFFORT
ENGLISH	Armandas Karpavicius	Agnieszka Kruk
MATHEMATICS	Teddy Halls	Lucie Kruklinski
SCIENCE	Kian Blackshaw	Kotryna Pilekaite
RELIGIOUS STUDIES	Lucie Kruklinski	George Lamming
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Daniel Cabral-Lopes	Alista Jonane
BASKETBALL		Elliot Foster, Daniel Cabral-Lopes, Gytis Krikuzas, Justas Pareigis, Eimantas Daukna, Pedro Carneiro, Kacper Krzywon & Erikas Rudokas
CITIZENSHIP	Armandas Kaklauskas	Kieran Creamer
ART	Simona Zujeviciute	Teddy Halls
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	Archie Bradford	Erikas Rudokas
GEOGRAPHY	Kacper Krzywon	Teddy Halls
HISTORY	Jessica Morris	Simona Zujeviciute
SPANISH	Alisha Creek	Kaitlin Fitter
FOOD TECHNOLOGY	Lucie Kruklinski	Catherine Sheard
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY	Josh Gallagher	Eduards Malkeviks
PERFORMING ARTS	Katie Precious	Robyn Worth
SPORT	Teddy Halls	Simona Zujeviciute
HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE	Lucie Kruklinski	Jessica Morris
BUSINESS STUDIES	Vaiva Stonkute	Joana Brazulionyte
IMPROVED ATTENDANCE	Skyann-Lee Kilbon	
STUDENT MANAGER AWARD	Nina Whitwell	Alfie Wilson
HEAD OF YEAR AWARD	Simona Zujeviciute	Joseph Richards

# School News

Millie was representing Evolve Flowers at Chatsworth House Flower Show being the face of British Flowers, whereby the flower installation was 'Spiral Meadow and granting a wish for all that attended the show. Also, Millie was on RHS twitter, Look North TV coverage of the show, papers & RHS website (that is all I know about). The whole concept was to ensure that visitors to the show had an education of where each flower came from in the UK and to buy British! There now is a concept that has been developed which is 'have you seen my fairy' so Millie goes around the whole show granting wishes and promoting the whole show.

The RHS has asked for Millie to be at Tatton Park on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019 for the day!



## Year 7s News.

Since September Year 7 have now amassed an amazing 34718 Achievement Points, and their attendance is 95.6%. We have an incredible 30 students who have not had any time off school at all.

Year 7 have almost completed their first year in Spalding Academy. Many of them applied to be mentors for the new Year 7 students, and did a fantastic job on Transition day of showing the Year 6 pupils around school. We also had over 75 students who volunteered to show parents around on our second Open Evening of the academic year.

It has been a busy year for year 7 and they have made incredible progress. The Year 7 team would like to wish them all the best of luck in Year 8.

# School News

Year 7 student news

Jack Spillett celebrated after winning a gold medal at the WMO European kickboxing competition in Rugby. Jack has now qualified for the World competition in November. Well done Jack!



Good luck to Mr Newton who will be representing Great Britain at the World Transplant Games in mid-August and taking part in the British Transplant Games, starting on the 25<sup>th</sup> July.





# School News

Mia Dewing Y9

Since starting to umpire Hockey matches in mid-April at an interclub U8 & U10 event, Mia has progressed at an unprecedented level. She showed such a high standard of umpiring at this event that she was invited to umpire at the In2Hockey Regional Finals at Harleston and from here she was invited to progress to both the National Finals & her 1st International tournament in Lille.

With Mia's exceptional performance in France, she was awarded her Level 1 award, with special clearance being granted by England Hockey. (A rare event in itself).

Since returning from France, Mia was appointed to Umpire at the London Youth Games in Redbridge, where again she excelled and was then appointed to Umpire at England Hockey Performance Centres at Old Loughtonians Hockey Club in Chigwell, Essex and in St Albans at U17 Level. These centres are for the best Regional hockey players to be chosen to go forward to an event called Futures Cup, which is in essence selection for England at U16 & U18 age groups.

Mia has progressed through Foundation Panel to Development Panel. Then came the Academy Panel before Promising Panel.

After her exceptional performance at Old Loughtonians Hockey Club she has now been awarded her place on the East Young Umpire Performance Panel. This panel will allow her to receive higher level appointments and is another step along the National Young Umpire Pathway.

This now puts Mia one step below the National Level umpiring panel.

Mia has also been selected to be a Regional Young Umpire Developer (Coach/Mentor).

Well done Mia and good luck for your future as a high level Hockey umpire.



# Holland House News



Holland house team has worked really well together this year organising charity events supporting and running inter house sports events and helping out at various whole school activities from participating in school shows to escorting visitors around on Open Evenings. I would like to thank and congratulate all the students that have taken part in any way. We have had a great charity campaign this year raising money for MacMillan Cancer also filling more shoe boxes than any other house in the Shoe Box campaign and putting together hampers for the Christmas Hamper Appeal.

The house performed really well at Sports Day with one of our Year7 students breaking a school record that has stood for over 40 years, well done TJ!. There were plenty of other fantastic displays including a very dramatic win in the 4x100 Y10 relay. There have been lots of students representing the school at various sporting events throughout the year and well done to all.

I would like to wish all the students in Holland House a safe and restful summer holiday and look forward to seeing you all back and raring to excel in September. I would also like to thank all my tutors for all the support they have given to their tutees and to myself and also my House Captains: Shania, Archie, Katie, Karol, Mia, Braidon, Erin, Amelia and the Form Captains. Thank you all and have a good summer.

Mr Peter Keal: Head of Holland House.

# Johnson House News



It has been a busy year for students in Johnson House. Students have taken part in a number of activities to raise money for charities including Children in Need, Comic Relief and the charity which the students chose themselves - The Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance. All the money raised will help improve the lives of others.

Students have worked well and engaged with the Love of Reading and SMSC sessions that have been delivered through the tutor programme that has challenged student's way of thinking about the world. Thank you for all your hard work.

Recently students from Johnson House competed against students from other houses in the annual Sports Day event. Thank you to all the students who volunteered to participate in the events. A great team effort - well done!!

I hope everyone has a nice relaxing summer and students come back ready for the year ahead.

Miss Fuller : Head of Johnson House.

# McLaren House News



The last term for 2018-2019 for McLaren house has been an extremely successful one! We had Sports Day this term where we managed to get full teams out for each year group and had some fantastic results and what was a thoroughly enjoyable day for all who took part.

We had some outstanding results from a few individuals in our House who not only won their events but who also beat whole school records. Joe Woods in Year 9, now holds the school record for the 200m with a time of 25.00s, he also holds the records for year 8 with his 100m and 200m times from last year's Sports Day. Ethan Pickering also in year 9 managed to beat the whole school record throwing the discus 27.36m and Sanija Zviedre in year 9 now holds the history of the school record for discus for the year 9 girls. In addition, Taylor Bailey in year 7 ran the 300m in 56.33s also holding the new school record.

Also, a massive thank you to Sports Captains Elliot Foster and Beth Dowling who did a fantastic job sorting out the Sports Day teams.

Here at McLaren house we have had a fun and very eventful year with lots of positives for all of the students in the house regarding achievement points, awards, sporting competitions, attendance, and the list goes on. I look forward to seeing you all come back in September well rested and ready to tackle the new school year . Have a fantastic summer holidays .

Mrs Lester :Head of McLaren House

# Nova House News



This year Nova house students have worked extremely well within the LOR and SMSC sessions, they have discussed key issues and have challenged their own thinking on some topics.

Thank you all for your hard work during tutor time. We have raised money for Comic Relief, Children in Need and our House charity; Cancer Research UK.

Thank you to all of the students who volunteered to take part in Sports Day. We had a fantastic team with some great achievements. The sportsmanship and team spirit, which I saw on the day, was unparalleled.

The summer break is definitely well deserved after such a busy year! I hope all Nova House students have a restful and enjoyable break and look forward to seeing them all, along with our new Year 7 students, in September.

Miss Moore: Head of Nova House.

# Peake House News



*Team Peake House has worked brilliantly this year to organise events and support running the house in several ways. Well done to them!*

**House Captains:** Nicole Cross & Reece Simmond

**Vice House Captains:** Jayden Boyd & Julia Nycek

**Charity Captains:** Alfie Wilson & Giovanna Freza

**Sports Captains:** Mariusz Tomicki & Sophia Kubacka

**Form Captains:**

Jenny Richards, Robyn Worth, Julia Nycek, Emily Thomas, Patrycja Garbacz & Rebecca Bembridge

Peake House also did a fantastic job on Sports Day and everyone who participated did their best and there were so many brilliant successes on the day, so well done to you all!

I would like to wish you all a restful and peaceful break and I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Miss France.: Head of Peake House.

# Trinity House News



Well done to all students who took part in Sports Day this year. They were a credit to the school and the House. As always it has been a pleasure to work with the students of Trinity House. They have worked hard to achieve and as a result we have won the cup for the most House Points. Attendance has been steadily getting better throughout the year, which is really pleasing.

Good luck to all of our students who will be collecting their exam results in the holidays - we wish you the very best of luck for the future.

Mrs Wait: Head of Trinity House



During this school year the students have read and passed quizzes (at time of going to press) on 4281 books and read 60,444,902 words. The Celebration assemblies held on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> July when students were be given certificates and vouchers for their achievements with the A/R programme.

Congratulations go to Dawid Kowalczyk (Yr 8) for being the first student ever to read over 2 million words. Madelaine Hilliar, Ellie Armstrong both in Year 7 and Year 9's Caine Darnell, Wiktoria Lacka and Tyler Lai are all one million word readers. The students will meet with Mrs Conley to be presented with certificates and vouchers.

Our annual bookmark competition held to celebrate World Book Day was won this year by Wiktoria Baranowska, 2<sup>nd</sup> place was Naomi Warren and 3<sup>rd</sup> was Annie Carter. Their designs will be used as the school bookmarks for Accelerated Reader next academic year.

The LRC continues to be a popular venue at breaks and lunchtimes and has a popular homework club after school.



We were pleased that this was recognised in the recent Ofsted report.  
"Pupils have frequent opportunities to read and the Library is a valued resource."

L A Gibbons  
LRC Manager



*Learning Resources Centre*

# School Information

Spalding Academy Uniform Shop

The shop will be open every week during term time including during the holidays as well .

The opening hours will be as follows:

Wednesday 3pm - 6pm

Friday 8am - 11.30am

We will also open on the first two Saturday mornings of August.

The shop will accept payment by debit/credit card or cash. (No cheques can be accepted).

Students in receipt of Free School Meals will receive 50% discount on all items purchased from the uniform shop.

If you have any questions or would like to find out more about it please email

[uniformshop@spaldingacademy.org.uk](mailto:uniformshop@spaldingacademy.org.uk)

## Attendance – The Myths and Truths!

Mrs Marks the Attendance Manager, tells us about the myths and truths that surround attendance.



**Myth** - Authorised absences (e.g. medical appointments) do not affect a student's attendance figure.

**Truth** - Any absence will affect a child's attendance figure, other than school trips (including sports activities where the student represents the school), job or college interviews and university visits.

**Myth** - Following the Isle of Wight decision, schools are now able to authorise leaves of absence during term time.

**Truth** - Lincolnshire continues to actively discourage any leave of absence during term time. Prosecution may still take place for persistent absence (attendance below 90%).

# Safeguarding Information

## Safeguarding Booklet

This booklet is located on the school website in the Safeguarding section. The booklet is designed to inform parents/carers about how to protect their children whilst they are using some of the more popular social media apps. Also please be aware that a lot of apps, do have an age limit of 13+.

## Kooth

All students at Spalding Academy have received an Assembly from a member of the Kooth team to explain what the service is about. Upon entering the assemblies all students were provided with a Kooth card.

Kooth is a free, safe and anonymous online support for young people.

Below is the link to Kooth, this link is also on our school website in the Safeguarding section.

<https://kooth.com/>



## Healthy Minds Lincolnshire

Healthy Minds Lincolnshire provides emotional wellbeing support for children and young people up to 19 years old (25 if special educational needs/disability or leaving care).

### Children and Young People

We will provide evidence based brief interventions either as a one to one, small group sessions, online CBT or sign posting to other more suitable services (depending on the need). Vulnerable children and young people will be given priority.

### Parents and Carers

We will offer support and advice to parents and carers.

The web address is:- [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/ewb](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/ewb)



## Safeguarding Concerns

If you as a parent/carer ever have any Safeguarding concerns, please do contact the school and in the first instance ask to speak to Michelle Ryan- Safeguarding Manager.

However, if is busy, you can speak to the appropriate Year Lead for your child; From September this will be :

Year 7 - Mrs D Cousins

Year 8 - Mrs J Ditchburn

Year 9 - TBA

Year 10 - Mrs S Caress

Year 11 - Mrs M Lammin

Behavioural Team - Mr B. Sinclair & Mr I. Billingham



435 students in years 7 to 10 achieved 100% attendance in term 5 and enjoyed a free cookie and drink on their yard break time.

Please could we remind parents/carers the following:

The South Lincolnshire Academies Trust is continuing to promote good attendance over both schools and the majority of our students are reaping the benefits of being in school, both academically and socially.

Lincolnshire County Council have issued new guidelines for 2019/2020 with the effect that Fixed Penalty Fines for persistent absence (below 90% attendance without medical evidence) and holidays in term time will be requested. Please bear in mind that your child/children's welfare and education is at the centre of everything we do - a child who is not in school is far less likely to succeed. We have therefore taken the decision that we will not authorise holidays in term time. Children are expected to be in school for 190 days a year, leaving 175 days for everything else.

As a safeguarding measure, on the morning of any absence, please remember to call 01775 722484 (option 1) or text 07860 055665 before 8.30am.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with our Attendance Manager or your child/children's Year Lead if you have any concerns regarding their attendance.

Copies of the Trust's Attendance Policy can be found on our website (please bear in mind that this is a 'live' document and is subject to change throughout the year).

Students are expected to attend school every day. Medical appointments will not be authorised without evidence (ie prescription packets, hospital letters/appointment cards). These absences can be authorised retrospectively.

Leave of absence - Spalding Academy will not authorise leave of absence during term time except in exceptional circumstances (no absence will be authorised at all unless applied for 14 days prior to the absence).

Parents/carers are kindly reminded to call in on each morning of any absence. The Academy is updating its Safeguarding procedures and parents/carers of any student, including those with long term illnesses, recovery periods or alternative provision, will be expected to contact the Academy on each consecutive day of absence.

It is not the Academy's intention to make life miserable for families but there is undoubtedly a direct link between improved achievement and increased levels of attendance. Currently the Academy has an attendance record which is 3% above the total figure for last year. So a big thank you, to both parents and students alike.



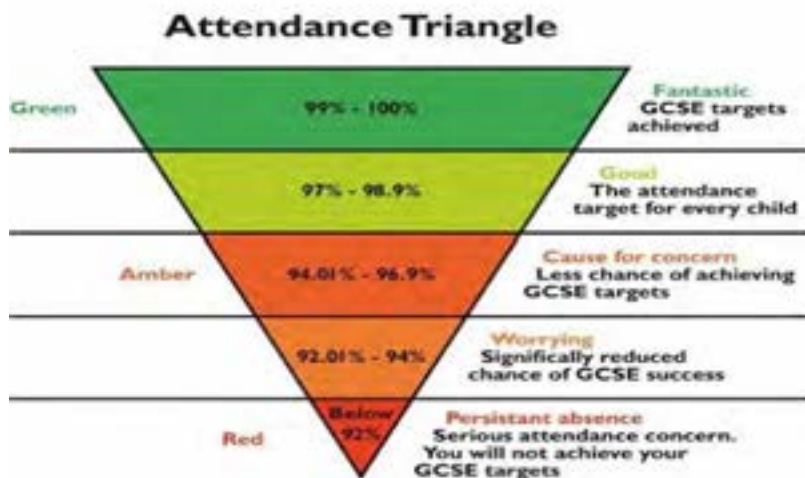
# Attendance Information

Research shows that 17 days missed from school means dropping a FULL GCSE GRADE across ALL subjects.

If you miss...	that equals...	which is...	and over 13 years of school, that's ...
1 day a fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

The effect of absence on progress					
A whole year has 365 days; a school year has 190 days. That leaves 175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping and other appointments.					
No absence	10 days absence	12 days absence	19 days absence	29 days absence	36 days absence
190 days of education	180 days of education	178 days of education	171 days of education	161 days of education	152 days of education
100%	95%	94%	90%	85%	80%
Very Good		Worrying		Serious Concern	

Attendance matters!



## Attendance— How to Report

Student absence should be reported on each morning of any absence. There are a number of ways of doing this:

Calling the main school number and leaving a message (01775 722484-option 1)

Texting in (please be aware that, as with all mobiles, if the mobile system is down we may not receive these and you may receive an absence message)

Notes in planners (as long as your child remembers to show it to the office)

Letters re appointments (please send in copies of hospital/dental/orthodontic/doctor appointments for pre authorisation)