



COWLEY
ACADEMY

Head of School

Friday 2nd February 2024

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

What a fantastic week we have had! This week has been a particularly busy one.

On Thursday, in Years 7 and 8 we ran our popular DEAR Time sessions, which stands for 'Drop Everything and Read'. This is where the whole class take turns to read a text and they then discuss what they have read to highlight key vocabulary and share their thoughts on the issues raised in the material. Our students' feedback on the DEAR sessions and they are always so positive. I have spent time going into Year 7 and 8 forms, with students reading and being supported by their form tutors. For the Accelerated Reader programme, the Swift House have read over 1 million words!

Year 11 are now working towards their forthcoming examinations and it has been a positive week for attending lunchtime interventions sessions which we provide every day. We continue to encourage completing GCSEPod revision and using the revision resources we have provided. To encourage further for Year 11 students, we have launched the Loyalty Card which students will get signed every time they attend a revision class. There is plenty of prizes to be won!

We have had a large amount of applications for new temporary prefects in Year 10. Well done to all of the students that have applied.

We are continuing to see students completing their ASPIRE passport and collecting their badges. A reminder that some of the ASPIRE challenges can be completed at home such make and cook a family meal or complete one task to help out at home for seven days.

House competition are ongoing and very competitive with the amount of House Points that have been achieved.

176,805	176,335	172,905	172,645	165,615
Swift House	Cowley House	Banks House	Flinders House	Bass House

In sporting news, we have had Netball fixtures, which were very tight matches against University Academy Long Sutton with Year 8 winning 13-1 and Year 10 winning 14-3. We continue to have a variety of Netball and Basketball fixtures taking place. We are incredibly fortunate to have the support from the Cowley Foundation to enable the school to purchase a brand-new Netball and Football kits.



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In relation to enrichment, I have been impressed with the number of students that are attending sports clubs such as rugby, IT club, library, Art and many other opportunities. A reminder that we encourage all students to take part in the enrichment programme.

During Year group assemblies we have thanked all students that have applied to be part of the Student Council.

Well done to the Year 10 students that have started their PSA's for a variety of BTEC subjects. We have been incredibly proud of how hard the students have worked so far.

If you would like to work for our Trust (or know someone who may be interested), there are two SLAT Recruitment Roadshows next week at Giles Academy (Tuesday 6th February from 5pm to 6.30pm) and Spalding Academy (Thursday 8th February from 5pm to 6.30pm). Due to the Trust expanding in student numbers, facilities and curriculum, there are plenty of opportunities to join us. You can attend the roadshows if you want to work in any of the Trust schools and by attending one of these events, it can help you get a head start. To register to attend, please visit: www.slat.org.uk/recruitment-roadshow

Finally, as we head in to our final week of Term 3, I would like to remind parents and carers that we finish at 3.15pm on Friday 9th February 2024 for our one week holiday break.

Have a fantastic weekend.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Glenn Martin

Head of School, Cowley Academy

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South Lincolnshire Academies Trust

RECRUITMENT ROADSHOWS

99%
of teachers are proud to be a member of our Trust

If you are interested in discovering the opportunities available at **South Lincolnshire Academies Trust**, we would like to meet you at one of our Recruitment Roadshow events.

Due to an increase in student numbers and the rapid growth of our Trust, we will require more teaching and support staff this academic year and in September.

By attending, you will have the chance to make a positive impression and get a head start in working for our highly successful Trust to progress your career.

These events are for those who are interested in working at **ANY** of our Trust schools (Bourne Academy, Spalding Academy, Giles Academy and Cowley Academy).

Giles Academy

Church Road, Old Leake, Boston, Lincolnshire PE22 9LD

Tuesday 6th February • 5pm to 6.30pm

Spalding Academy


Neville Avenue, Spalding, Lincolnshire PE11 2EJ

Thursday 8th February • 5pm to 6.30pm

You can drop-in anytime between 5.00pm to 6.30pm for the opportunity to speak to our staff about the many teaching and support job vacancies that will be available. There is free parking on the school site and free refreshments will be served from 5.00pm.

To attend, you must register in advance - please visit: www.slat.org.uk/vacancies



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