WESTON FAVELL ACADEMY NEWSLETTER



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Enriching Our KS3 Pupils



What a promising start to this academic year; thank you to all the parents who attended our KS3 Curriculum Evening!

Key information was shared regarding the curriculum and how it is delivered. We discussed what the curriculum looks like at Weston Favell Academy and where to find important information regarding what is taught in each subject, including the importance of literacy, PSHE and enrichment.

For more information, including our <u>KS3</u>
<u>Curriculum Presentation</u>, go to the Weston
Favell Academy website!

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PSHE @ WFA



The themes for PSHE this term:

Year 7: Life Beyond School

Year 8: Health and Wellbeing

Year 9: Life Beyond School

Year 10: Health and Wellbeing

Year 11: Health and Wellbeing

During our next PSHE lesson, we will be learning about:

Year 7: Careers and your Future

Year 8: Positive Body Image

Year 9: First Aid

Year 10: Mental Health Illnesses

Year 11: Abortion Laws, Morals

and Ethics-Parenthood

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Reminders

Year 5/6 Open Evening Thursday 3rd October 5.00pm-8.00pm

We are now a nut free school

Please go to our Academy website for more information

Reading in Our Community!

It has been 2 weeks since Years 7 – 10 endeavoured on their Tutor Reading journey for this year, with a brand-new selection of books for our pupils to enjoy and be inspired by. Each tutor group spends 3 sessions a week (2 in Year 10) as their tutor delivers the story to them.

This approach is designed to remove the fear of reading for those pupils who have struggled previously to enjoy reading independently, allowing them to enjoy the experience of the book in a community environment.

Each book has been carefully chosen for its academic and cultural value.

Every week, I will shine a light on the books that are part of our Tutor Reading Canon, allowing you to continue the discussion outside of school.

For this first week, here is the full list of books for each year group so that you can see the reading journey they will embark on in tutor time:

Year 7- Safiyyah's War
Year 7- We Come Apart
Year 7- I am the Minotaur
Year 8- MEDUSA
Year 8- Fight Back
Year 8: Marcus Rashford: How to Use Your
Voice...

Year 9- The Door of No Return
Year 9- Things a Bright Girl Can Do
Year 9- Poet X
Year 10- Crossing the Line
Year 10- You Think You Know Me



<u>Explore our English</u> <u>Department</u>

If you have a passion for books, why not read our WFA English Reading Newsletter? Learn all about the books that our teachers recommend and what's on in our English Department!

Welcome to the SEND department!

Our SEND Department is here to support pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), providing tailored help to ensure every pupil thrives.

Mr R Collier, our SENDCo, oversees support for Key Stage 4 pupils, manages Education, Health, and Care Plans (EHCPs), and is responsible for exam access arrangements.

Mrs A Ratcliffe, Deputy
SENDCo, focuses on Key
Stage 3 pupils and also
addresses ongoing medical
concerns across all years,
working closely with staff and
parents to provide
individualised support.

Support Staff: Pupils are supported by a number of highly skilled Teaching Assistants who ensure that needs are met to support access and high levels of engagement in lessons.

Mrs S Lawrie, SEND
Manager, ensures the smooth coordination of resources and interventions, making sure every pupil has access to the help they need.

Mrs B Smith, Mrs J Ingram, Mrs R Lees, Mrs S Firminger, Miss S Choudhury, Mr A Pink and Miss L Hilliard assist with this support and we are delighted that the capacity of the team has been further strengthened by the return of Ms Robertson, Miss Nguyen, Ms Zanelli, Mrs Enright-King, Ms Khan and Ms Obi.

Together, we are committed to creating an inclusive learning environment where every pupil receives the guidance they need. Please feel free to contact us at sendco@westonfavellacademy.org with any questions or concerns.

We are here to help!

The Trip of Our Lives!



Weston Favell Academy took 95 pupils to Alton Towers for a rewards trip. The below account is from Emily in Year 8:

On Friday 20th September, myself and 94 other peers from Years 8 to 11 went to Alton Towers. We had been selected for the trip as a result of our outstanding 100% attendance and no negative points, meaning we were in every lesson of everyday last year and showed excellence.

Whilst at Alton Towers, everyone had a fantastic time, going on multiple rides (big and small) and just generally having the time of our lives. It was the best trip I have been on so far and I feel it is even better because we earned it.

Thank you so much for Mr Patel and Ms Howes who organised the trip and all the teachers who came with us, we all really appreciated it! We're already looking forward to the reward trip in December!

Get support!



Scan the QR Code.

Young Carers Support

We are delighted to announce that we will be relaunching the support programme for young carers within Weston Favell Academy.

We will be working closely with Northampton Young Carers Service (NYCS) in assuring that our pupils are supported both at the Academy and at home.

If you believe that your child or a child within your family who is a pupil at the Academy is a young carer, please scan the QR code for more information.

Job of the Week

Each week, the Careers
Team will be providing
an A-Z of 'Jobs of the
Week'.

Watch this space for next week's job!

Leading the way!



Scan the QR Code.

The Journey is Just Beginning!

Year 11 have certainly hit the ground running this term. It has been really inspiring to see so many pupils asking their teachers for feedback so they can improve their grades and progress even further in their subjects.

It is never too early to make a change and one small change can make a huge difference.

This might be focus during lessons, use of key words, practising timed questions at home or using one of many online revision platforms. Staff are only too willing to help pupils; we all want every pupil to achieve their potential and be the best version of themselves.

You will be aware that we have started subject interventions after school, and research shows that pupils who commit to this kind of study increase their GCSE grades by 1-2 levels - a tremendous achievement.

You will shortly be receiving some information about our Steps to Success Evening which we are holding on **Thursday 17th October**. The purpose of this event is to provide you with practical advice from subject areas about what your child is studying and how you can support them as parents.

Our Careers and Year Team will support your child to maximise their grade potential as they decide on their next pathway post-Year 11. We look forward to supporting pupils into our Sixth Form and parents are invited to attend our Sixth Form Open evening on **Thursday 12th December** to view our newly designed study centre. We will support all students with their choices, whether that be progressing into Sixth Form or considering courses at local colleges, to ensure that these match their abilities, talents and aspirations.



Macmillan Bake Sale: The Sweet Taste of Success







The cakes have been eaten and the money has been counted: thank you to all those who donated to our Macmillan Bake Sale- however small, your contribution made a difference.

And what a difference it has made, as we sold out within 35 minutes, raising £230.49 in cash. The figure from our online donations has yet to be counted, so watch out to see our total amount!

This is a fantastic achievement, especially as it is in support of such an important charity. Cancer is something that impacts so many of us and Macmillan Cancer Support works tirelessly to increase awareness and bring comfort to those affected by this dreadful disease. So, by holding this fundraising event, we aimed to do our part in raising money for, and promoting, the fight against cancer.

All in all, this has been a tremendous start to our Sixth Form charitable events, and, thanks to you, we have been able to play our part and make a difference. We hope to replicate this success in our future fundraising - so watch out for events later in the year!

Thank you again for your support, Sixth Form Macmillan Team

Enrichment Opportunities KS3 KS4 ENRICHMENT ENRICHMENT

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCHTIME	LUNCHTIME	LUNCHTIME	LUNCHTIME	LUNCHTIME	LUNCHTIME	LUNCHTIME	LUNCHTIME	LUNCHTIME	LUNCHTIME
Boardgames	Boardgames	Boardgames	Boardgames	Boardgames	Boardgames	Boardgames	Boardgames	Boardgames	Boardgames
Basketball	Basketball	Basketball	Basketball	Basketball	Basketball	Basketball	Basketball	Basketball	Basketball
AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL
Music (Choir)	Art club		Voiceworx	Creative Writing	Music (Choir)	Art club		Voiceworx	Creative Writing
Boy's football (Yr 9)	Debating		Spanish (Yr 9)	Homework catch-up	Business (Yr 10)	Debating		EAL	Homework catch-up
Drama	Boy's football (Yr 7)		EAL		Drama	IT (Yr 10)		Journalism	
Prowess	Basketball		Reading (Yr 9)						
Dance	STEM		Reading (Yr 7)		Prowess	Boys football (Yr 11)		Boy's football (Yr 10)	
	Maths homework		Boy's football (Yr 8)			Dance Girl's football		Trampolining	
	Girl's football		Murder Mystery (Yr 8)		Dance				
			Trampolining			Maths homework			
			Journalism						
			Movie club			STEM			

Year 11 Intervention 3.15pm – 4pm

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL
Catering	Maths Higher	Sports Science	Art	Maths Higher 7+
English Literature	English Language	Music	Geography	
English Literature	English Language		French	
Maths Aiming for a 5 IT			Triple Science	
Maths Foundation	Triple Science		Combined Sciences	
Child Development	French		History	
DT	Maths Aiming For a 4		Combined Physics	
	Drama			

If you would like to learn more about any of our enrichment opportunities, please visit our website or scan this QR Code!





Stars of the week

Year 7- Max (7SJN)

Year 8- Esther (8JAF)

Year 9- Morgan (9SWH)

Year 10- Riley (10NBE)

Year 11- Nikita (11CST)

Sixth Form-Nick (12Sem3)

Congratulations!

For your diary

Open Evening

Thursday 3rd October, 2024

Year 8, 9 & 11 Individual Photos

Tuesday 8th October, 2024

Year 13 Parents' Evening

Thursday 10th October, 2024

Year 11 Steps to Success Evening

Thursday 17th October, 2024

October Half Term

Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November, 2024

Year 11 Event



All pupils attending the Steps to
Success Evening will receive a goodie
bag containing revision guides, study
packs, chocolate and also have the
opportunity to meet sixth form
students & staff, colleges and other
outside agencies.

Key Contacts

Safeguarding Team

Use the QR Code to meet the Safeguarding Team.



Contacting the Academy

Academy reception is open from 8:00am - 4:00pm

Tel: 01604 402121

admin@westonfavellacademy.org



Working together

Key Contacts

Year 7 Team

Mrs A Carpenter
Miss C Novakovic

Year 8 Team

Mr C Harrison Miss H Coyne

Year 9 Team

Mrs S Edwards
Ms A Moran

Year 10 Team

<u>Miss S Kyle</u> <u>Mrs M Parrett</u> <u>Mrs N High</u>

Year 11 Team

Mrs C Fleming
Miss K McNee

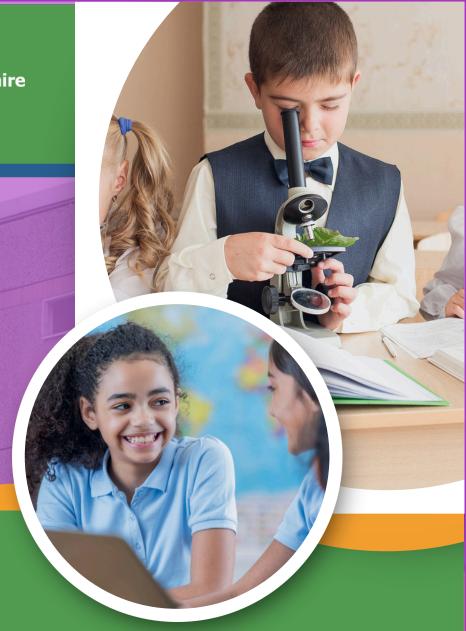
Sixth Form Team

Mrs L Mann Mrs P Souster Mrs B Whelan

We are here to help



Is your child currently in Year 6?



Apply for Year 7 at Secondary school



Application Deadline: 31 October 2024



www.westnorthants.gov.uk/school-admissions

Year 5/6 Open Evening

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If you are unable to attend our Open Evening on 3rd October, please contact the Academy on 01604 402121 or email admin@westonfavellacademy.org for further information on opportunities to visit us.