

WEATHERFIELD ACADEMY

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Dear Parent/Carers

It has been another very busy week at Weatherfield, with a number of visits, activities and Transition Day taking place.

New Staff Appointments

We have made a number of new appointments recently to strengthen our management team. Miss Slough and Mrs Patterson have been appointed Assistant Head Teachers of Lower School and Upper School respectively. In addition to this, from September, Mrs Harper will become Joint Pathway Leader for Lower School with Mrs Pearce, who returns from maternity leave. Mr Williams will become KS4 Pathway Leader and Mrs Ainsworth and Mr Dawkins will become Joint Pathway Leaders for KS5.

Summer Fayre

Thank you to everyone involved in arranging and taking part in our Summer Fayre last Saturday. The weather was good, with many stalls and activities. It was great to see so many past and present pupils attend with their families. We raised over £3,000 on the day, which will be used to support resources for pupils.

Sports' Day

We held our annual Sports' Day on Monday, which was overseen by Mr Stackhouse. It was good to see many of you attend in the afternoon to support the track events. The weather was good once again, and everyone enjoyed the range of activities organised. Thank you to Mr Stackhouse and all those who supported him.

Weatherfield Talent Show

Thank you to all of the participants who entered the school over two afternoons recently. Congratulations to all for their marvellous efforts in entertaining us all.

Year 14 Leavers

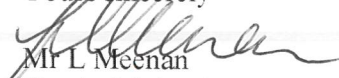
We say goodbye to our Year 14 learners on Friday, all of whom leave us to continue their journey into adulthood in a range of educational pathways at colleges and higher provisions. We wish the all the very best of luck and are extremely proud of everything they have achieved at Weatherfield. We look forward to keeping updated on their achievements in the future.

SleepWISE Study

Please find attached a letter from the University at Leicester regarding a research project regarding children's sleep patterns. More details are available on the letter along with a QR code should you wish to take part.

Please also find attached flyers from the Local Authority regarding 'Party in the Park', which is being held in Dunstable on Saturday 13th July from 12 noon to 8pm. The problems we have been experiencing with our internet and telephones should be resolved this week. Thank you for bearing with us in what has been a difficult week and a half. We will be moving to a new provider very soon.

Yours sincerely


Mr L Meenan
Head of School

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Dear parent/carer,

As a school, we have decided to advertise the SleepWISE study; a research project being led by Dr Jayne Spiller at the University of Leicester.

This research projects aims to understand what factors predict the type and pattern of sleep problems that children with neurodevelopmental conditions may experience. This information is needed in order to develop an intervention to support children's sleep in the future.

This research study involves completing an online questionnaire at three time points; now, in 6 months' time and in 12 months' time. The questions will ask about your child's sleep and factors that could affect sleep, your child's mental health and behaviour, your child's physical health, your household and family make up, parent/carer mental health, your sleep and your experience as a parent.

The first questionnaire will take around 20-30 minutes to complete, the second questionnaire in 6 months' time will take around 20 minutes to complete and the third questionnaire in 12 months' time will take around 20 minutes to complete.

You are invited to take part in this study if your child is **aged 5-15 years**. We want understand the experience of all families, **regardless of whether or not you think that your child has a sleep problem**.

As a thank you for your time, you will be entered into a prize draw to win one of three £50 Amazon vouchers.

You can find more information about the study, and the link to the first questionnaire here:

<https://app.onlinesurveys.jisc.ac.uk/s/leicester/the-sleepwise-study>

Or by scanning this QR code:



If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Jayne via email: jkt12@le.ac.uk

You can find more information about the study team and an introductory video to the study via this link: [Home \(sleepwisestudy.co.uk\)](https://www.sleepwisestudy.co.uk)

Please not that choosing whether or not to take part in this study will have no impact on your child's educational provision. Your child will not be disadvantaged in any way if you choose not to take part.

Kind Regards,

Dr Jayne Spiller

Party in the Park

SATURDAY 13 JULY 12 noon to 8 pm

Grove House Gardens

12 noon
Stardust Theatre Company

12.30 pm
Dance Connexions

1.15 pm
What Killed the Dinosaurs

Circus Workshop

Bubble Workshops

2.30 pm
Josie Derland

3.30 pm
Hybryda

FREE EVENT

Dr Digby Rocks School of Archaeology

4.45 pm
Josie Derland

5.45 pm
Crazy Dog

Live entertainment, stalls, activities, an outside bar, catering, FREE Kidzone for under 16s, plus a funfair.

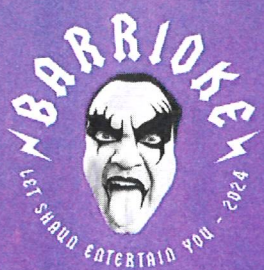


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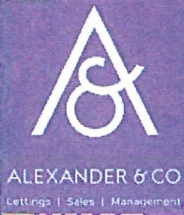
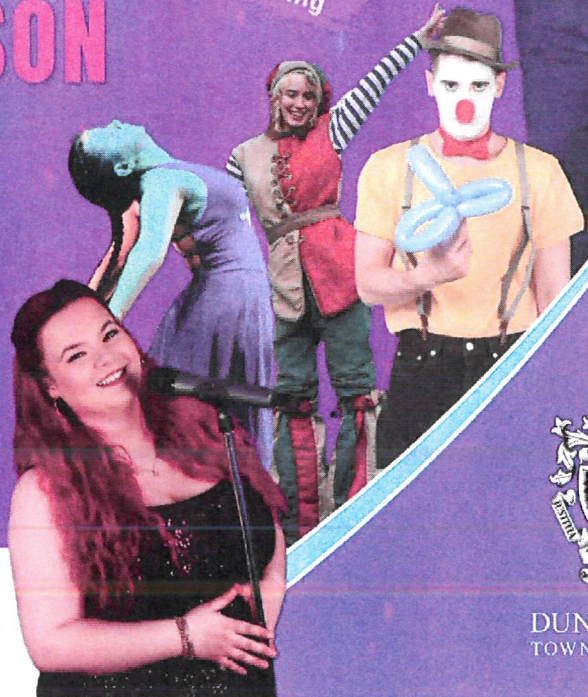
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Stilts and Bubbles

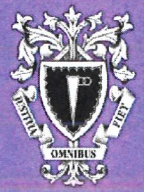
Balloon Modelling



HoolaHoop Mega Structures



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