WESTON FAVELL ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

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Welcome from our new Head of School.

Welcome to the very first edition of the Weekly Newsletter for the academic year 2024/25.

Our weekly communication will provide important information, celebrate individual and collective successes and give you a glimpse into what's going on at Weston Favell Academy.

We have welcomed new staff and of course, our Year 7 pupils, who have made a brilliant start.

As I wrote in my letter to you last week, I am also new to the position of Head of School. I look forward to working alongside you, the staff and our amazing pupils to ensure that we maintain our high standards and strive for excellence in everything we do.

Mr Kieron Beeby

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



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Newsletter highlights

- Year 5/6 Open Evening
- Exam success
- Sixth Form 2024 Alumni
- Young Carers support
- Job of the week
- A new home for our Sixth Form students

Please also check what enrichment opportunities we have on offer, page 9.

Punctual Starts

The Academy gates open at 8.20am and are locked at 8.40am. All lessons start at 8.40am.

Once the gates are shut, pupils arriving after this time will be marked as late and given a same day, after school detention.

A reminder that the Academy day timings changed with effect from Wednesday 4th September, please note that the day now ends at 3.10pm.

We offer a Breakfast Club (Main Hall) and the Library is open from 8:00am – 8:20am and from 3:10pm – 4pm (3:30pm on a Friday). All years are welcome to attend.

Every minute counts! Timings of the School Day

Actual timings!

Our students shine!



Zoonera Yasir

Our students shine!



Freya Harris

Exam success - GCSE

Year 11 and Year 13 students were celebrating their GCSE and A Level results respectively. Official results will not be published by the DfE until late October, but we are thrilled with the outcomes achieved by our students.

- Freya Harris who successfully achieved a grade
 9 in biology, physics, chemistry, mathematics,
 English language and geography. Grade 8 in statistics, distinction* in art and design,
 distinction in performing arts, and grade 7s in
 English literature and further mathematics.
- Zoonera Yasir who achieved grade 9s in biology, chemistry, physics, mathematics, French, statistics and geography. Grades 8's in English literature and further mathematics, distinction in art and design, and a grade 7 in English language.
- Lois Jennings who achieved grade 9s in biology, chemistry, mathematics, history and geography.
 Grades 8 in physics and statistics, distinction* in hospitality and catering as well as grade 7's in English literature, English language and further mathematics.
- Zuzanna Kosowska who achieved grade 9s in biology, chemistry, physics, French and art.
 Grades 8's in English language, geography and mathematics. Grade 6 in English literature and statistics.
- Moumin Yassin who achieved grade 9s chemistry and Arabic. Grades 8's in English literature, geography, biology, physics, history, statistics and mathematics, and grade 5 in English language.
- Irina Beregoi who achieved grade 9s in biology, chemistry, English literature and mathematics.
 Grades 8 in physics, distinction in enterprise and marketing, grade 7s in French and history, as well as Grade 6's in English language and statistics.

Exam success - A Level

- Casper Krzyzanowski achieved an outstanding set of results with an A* in product design, A in mathematics and distinction* in BTEC National Sports Coaching and Development, through Brighter Futures. Casper has secured his place to study product design and development at Loughborough University.
- Anik Ali successfully achieved an A* in finance, a
 B in history and a distinction in business. Anik is
 progressing to study finance at the University of
 Northampton.
- Danny Fleck creditably achieved an A in history, a B in English language and a distinction in business. He is taking time out to travel, work, and write before hopefully going to university.
- Alfie Simms commendably achieved an A in mathematics, an A in computer science and a B in physics and is going to study mechanical engineering at the University of Birmingham.

Sixth Form 2024 Alumni

As we have become used to, our Sixth Formers are now spreading out across the UK to the best possible universities and courses: this year, all the way from Portsmouth to Stirling!

We are equally excited to see our students breakthrough into excellent Higher and Degree Apprenticeships, including locally, with Barclaycard and Northampton General Hospital.

We will be hearing regularly from our Sixth Form students and Alumni in this newsletter. So watch this space - it really is inspiring to see the confidence and commitment with which they are shaping their futures.

Our students shine!



Casper Krzyzanowski

Our students shine!



Danny Fleck



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 students are supported both at the Academy and at home.

If you believe that your child or a child within your family who is a student 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!



A New Era of Sixth Form Begins



As we usher in a new academic year, so too do we welcome a new era within the Sixth Form itself, with transformative renovations having taken place over the summer holidays. So, what have the impact of these been? Let's find out together.

Entering the study centre, the first thing I am struck with, even before the noticeable changes to the physical structure of the room, is the sense of unity that has become evident throughout the Sixth Form. There is a real feeling that community has been achieved when you see the friendships clearly being formed between all of us. I can truly feel a positive atmosphere throughout the area, a palpable buzz.

This buzz, too, is echoed when we look at the renovations that have served to enhance our working space. There is now a new kitchen area, which has caused great excitement, and two classrooms, which although they have admittedly caused a tad less excitement, have been a great way of saving time. All of this works together to create a much more cohesive area, making our study centre feel like a permanent home.

And, as always, we have the fantastic support of our Sixth Form Team- Mrs Mann, Mrs Souster and Mrs Whelan. They have worked tirelessly before the start of term to create a fantastic Sixth Form community and continue to create a safe, optimistic environment, where everyone is welcomed, and their aspirations supported.

If the study centre is our home, then we are certainly a family.

All that is left is to look to the future and the fantastic achievements that I'm sure will come in the next year.

Grace Hales, Year 13



Announcements

Exciting plans for pupils from the Arts & Culture Team

Art, DT and Drama pupils will enjoy tours of the Royal & Derngate theatre in September. Emerald Crown performance by all students in Year 7 in October.

15th and 16th July 2024. Year 10 pupils will be experiencing an exciting workshop with the highprofile artist, Ian Murphy. Ian's workshops are designed to extend the pupils in all parts of the creative process from sketchbook work through development stages to the finished piece.

Dance show coming soon featuring Prowess dance troupe.

'Never Let Me Go' theatre trip at Royal & Derngate – watch this space for more details!

Year 9 Music pupils are creating a project based on our CUBASE, our new digital audio workstation, DT are creating mobile phone holders from different materials, and Drama have been studying practitioners including Frantic Assembly and Brecht.

Welcome from Mrs Fleming, Head of Year, to Year 11 pupils:

'I would like to offer a warm welcome back to Year 11 after the summer break. I realise that you have significant decisions and challenges ahead, and that this is both an exciting and daunting year. You are not alone, and I urge you to be pro-active – ask for help, seek advice and ask questions. Subject interventions will start next week so take these opportunities to maximise the grade you will receive.

From experience, people who succeed in any area of life have achieved this through consistent dedicated commitment. Every day, you can make a positive difference to master a skill or consolidate your learning.

Every staff member here at Weston Favell Academy wants you to succeed. I wish all you all a successful year and I look forward to working with you all.'

Sixth Form Spotlight

Here come the girls!

As a Year 13 student, I have been writing as a journalist within the main team of a media outlet called 'Beyond the Pitch'. Beyond the Pitch is solely focused on championing change in women's football and highlighting the important stories and individuals within the industry. We have many projects that are in the works which will allow us to create representation for all players and teams across the different leagues in the women's game. So far, I have published 9 of my own articles.

- The significance of the Rainbow Armband
- From Grassroots to Glory: Mary Earps' inspiring football journey
- Hannah Hampton: Overcoming career-threatening barriers on her path to success
- The Untold History of Sweden women's national football team
- Highlighting Disengagement of young girls within football
- New Zealand: The 1975 triumph that remains unrecognised
- Canada excels through quarter finals Highlighting the history and dedication behind the women's national team
- Millie Turner: Making her appearance for England after a life-threatening health scare
- "And that's why I keep talking about it" Ian Wright speaks on the need for change in attitudes towards the women's game.

You can read my articles, and more, here - https://beyondthepitch24.substack.com

Emmy Somauroo

Enrichment Opportunities

Science interventions for KS4 and KS5

We are delighted to offer students studying A level disciplines and Combined GCSE the opportunity for intervention sessions led by A level specialist teachers.

For Triple Science, sessions for both Year 10 and 11 take place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8am with additional interventions on Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:15pm - 3:50pm.

Although some students have been invited to attend through Class Charts, any student can attend the interventions.

With PPE assessments approaching, attendance to interventions is an important step towards success.

Invitation to Boys football after school:

Monday – Year 9 (Mr Lucas) and Sixth Form (Mr Field)

Tuesday – Year 7 (Mr Upex) and Year 11 (Mr Last)

Thursday – Year 8 (Mr Berrill) and Year 10 (Mr Harrison)

Swimming Club

Mondays and Thursdays
3.10pm – 4pm
All abilities welcome

Trampoline Club

Thursdays
3.10pm – 4pm
All welcome
PE kit and socks MUST be worn!



Stars of the week

Year 7 Paige (7GPA)
Year 8 Aaron (8JAF)
Year 9 Anna (9SOS)
Year 10 Keisha (10BML)
Year 11 Ruby (11AOG)
Sixth Form Shalone (12SEM4)

Congratulations!

For your diary

Alton Towers Reward Trip

Friday 20th September, 2024

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

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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
Mr S Leighton

Sixth Form Team

Mrs L Mann Mrs P Souster Mrs B Whelan

We are here to help

Year 5/6 Open Evening

Thursday 3rd October 5.00-8.00pm



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.