

# WEATHERFIELD ACADEMY

# NEWSLETTER

## TRANSITION DAY

This year, we will be holding two transition days instead of one to better support our students as they prepare for their transition in September. These additional opportunities will allow students more time to become familiar with their new environment, routines, and staff, helping them feel more confident and comfortable ahead of the new academic year. By extending the transition process, we aim to reduce anxiety, build positive relationships, and ensure that every student is well supported as they move into the next stage of their learning.

Transition day dates:

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July and Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July

## LEAVER'S DATES

Students in Year 11 will begin their study leave on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June, and students in Year 14 will begin their study leave on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. If your child is in Year 11 and you would prefer them to remain in school until the end of term, please speak with your child's class teacher to discuss about them staying at school.

## GROVE CORNER

We have close links with Dunstable Town Council Youth team who come and visit us regularly in our assemblies. Please see the clubs that are available at Grove Corner from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026. Leaflets below.

## ARBOR PARENT APP

Please go to page 3 to find the Arbor QR code. Scanning it will take you directly to the app download page.

## UPCOMING EVENTS



Cineworld KS4 trip: Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March



Cineworld Beech class: Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March



Calvert Lakes: Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March



Hogsure Farm (Tree pathway): Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March



Last Day of Term: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March



Training Day: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April



All students return to school (Summer 1): Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April



Year 11 Study Leave: Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June



Year 14 Study Leave: Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July



Transition Days: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July

# WORLD BOOK DAY

Students (and staff!) thoroughly enjoyed dressing up for World Book Day on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March, while spending time focusing on a chosen book and taking part in a range of fun activities inspired by their reading. It was wonderful to see so many fantastic costumes and such enthusiasm for books across the school.



# DETACHED YOUTH WORK

## GOING WHERE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE

Providing  
activities



Activities, events, and  
community projects.

Meaningful  
conversations



We're here to listen,  
not judge.

Support &  
Guidance



Help with school,  
or life challenges

## WHEN YOU WILL SEE US

### MONDAYS

5.30 pm to 7.30 pm

### WEDNESDAYS

3.15 pm to 5.15 pm

### THURSDAYS

4 pm to 6 pm

**FIND OUT WHERE WE WILL BE ON SOCIAL MEDIA OR WHATSAPP US!**



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# Grove Corner

## Youth and Community Centre

### Sessions FREE to attend!

#### FREE WiFi

76A High Street North  
Dunstable, LU6 1JF

**Mondays:**  
**Chill & Hang**  
(Ages 13 to 18)  
3.45 to 5.15 pm

**Tuesdays:**  
**Pokémon Club**  
(Ages 8 to 14)  
5 pm to 6.30 pm

**Tuesdays:**  
**SEND Friendly Session**  
(Ages 15 to 18 / up to 25 SEND)  
6.45 pm to 8.15 pm

Term time only

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**Wednesdays:**  
**School Transition Session**  
(Ages 10 to 12)  
3.30 pm to 5.30 pm

**Fridays:**  
**Youth Choice**  
(Ages 13 to 18)  
4 pm to 5.30 pm

**Fridays:**  
**Junior Youth Club**  
(Ages 10 to 13)  
6 pm to 7.45 pm

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✉ [Grovecorner@dunstable.gov.uk](mailto:Grovecorner@dunstable.gov.uk)

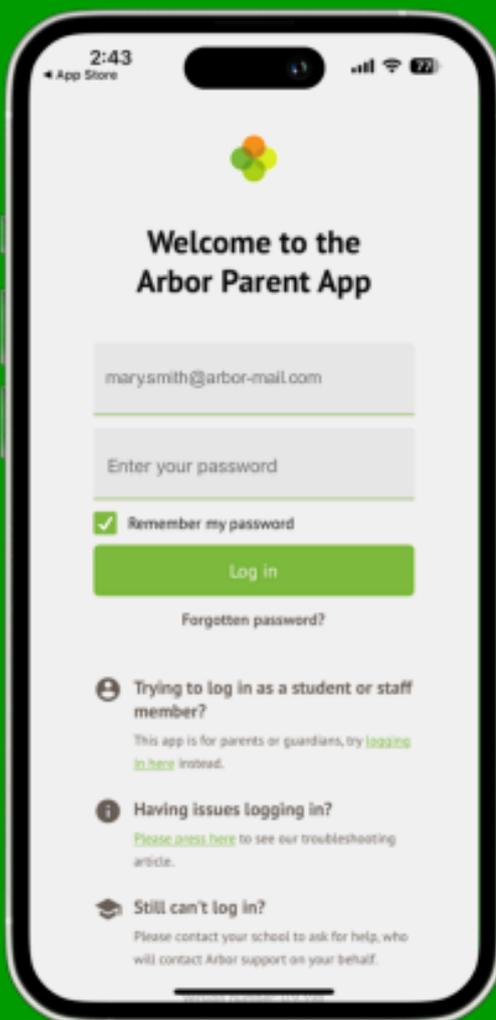
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# We're using the Arbor Parent App!

See and manage your child's day-to-day school information. Understand their progress, make payments and bookings, and receive in-app messages - all from one app



Log in in seconds with Face ID

Receive in-app messages and reminders on your phone

Make payments, sign up for clubs, and book parents evenings

See your child's progress, attendance, behaviour points, report cards and more

Check your child's calendar, it's always up-to-date

Scan the QR code to download the Arbor Parent App, and use your email address to log in



# Workshop for parents/carers:

## Understanding emotions and behaviour of children who are Neurodiverse (Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities)

### Information leaflet

Children centres provide a friendly service to families with children ages 0-12 years

*The workshop is suitable for parents/carers of children aged 0-12 with emerging needs, on the pathway to assessment, have a diagnosed condition and/or identified special educational need.*

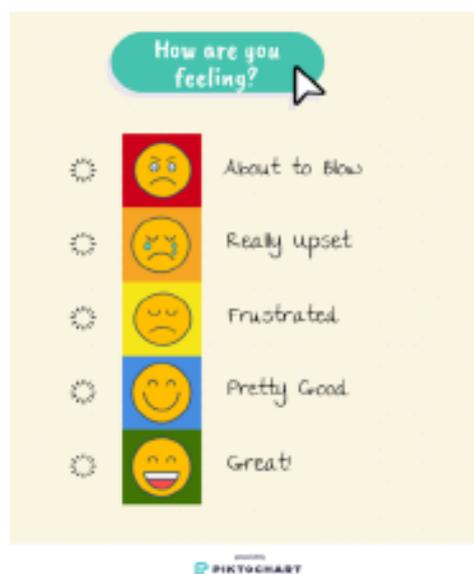
*The workshop will cover:*

*Brain development*

*Self-regulation and co-regulation*

*Visual aids*

*Strategies to support behaviours that are difficult or dangerous*



***New date available at Tithe Farm Neighbourhood Centre:***

***April 20<sup>th</sup> 2026***

***<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/390ee25a-c8f0-400c-b733-f7d507aa2e6e@21d8a1ee-0787-4374-b259-4e87058aff15>***

***Please follow the link to book***

***March 4<sup>th</sup> 2026 ONLINE:***

***<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/fecb39be-3e34-426f-b570-df14570e0410@21d8a1ee-0787-4374-b259-4e87058aff15>***



***The workshop will be run by the Early Years SEND Advisory Team (0-19 Support and Intervention)***

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All workshops are booked via the self-registration links; if the event is fully booked, you can email [becky.mann@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:becky.mann@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk) to request you are added to the waiting list for any cancellations.

If you are attending an online workshop, you will be sent a Microsoft Teams link at the time of registration. If you book the face-to-face workshop, you will be sent a reminder the week before with more details.

*Please note all workshops have limited spaces and are often fully booked; if you book on and then no longer can attend, please follow the confirmation email to cancel your place. If you do not cancel your place this means another family will miss out on attending this event.*



# COFFEE AFTERNOONS

**FOR PARENTS AND CARERS**

Coffee afternoons are usually held monthly, welcoming all parents and carers. They feature a guest speaker—either staff or an external visitor—and offer a chance for parents to connect and chat.

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR DATES**

[www.weatherfield.beds.sch.uk/coffee-afternoons](http://www.weatherfield.beds.sch.uk/coffee-afternoons)



**SCAN FOR DATES**

**OR CONTACT**

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