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Dear families

Year 11 Leavers' Prom

On Friday 23 June our Year 11 Leavers' Prom took place at Derby County Football Club, Pride Park Stadium, Derby. It was a fabulous evening with all students and staff enjoying the event. Everyone looked amazing in their finery and partied the night away. A full report and photos will be included in the next edition of our Newsletter. Thank you to Mrs Howard and Mrs Turner for organising the event.



School of Rock

This year's production of the School of Rock took place on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Around 60 of our pupils put on a wonderful performance and had worked hard in rehearsals to get performance ready. It was a delight to see so many pupils taking part and to hear the musical pieces including our live band.

We were able to invite a group of Year 6 children from the local primaries to watch the matinee performance on Tuesday morning, and this gave our pupils the opportunity to have a full-dress rehearsal and calm any last-minute nerves before the main show.



Thank you to family and friends for buying tickets and supporting the evenings. A big thank you also to Mrs Harrison, Mrs Turner, Miss Gregory, Mr Cakar, Mr Doohan, Mr Brankin and Mr Cook and Owen Cutts, Year 10, who have worked tirelessly with our pupils to put on such a fantastic show, together with two of our peripatetic teachers Mrs Causey and Mr Fletcher who supported on both evenings. Well done to all pupils involved.

We look forward to next year's production!

Transition days

It was lovely to welcome children into the academy this week who will be joining us in September as new Year 7s. Their visit provided an opportunity for them to meet their peers, find their way around the academy and experience subject lessons. We look forward to welcoming them to the start of the new academic year in September.

Year 10 & 12 Mock Exams

Well done to all students who have now completed their Mock exams. Results will be shared before the end of term.

INSET Day – Monday 3 July

Monday will be our final INSET day of this academic year. The academy will be closed to all pupils, who will return on Tuesday 4 July for Enterprise Week.

Strike Days – Wednesday 5 & Friday 7 July

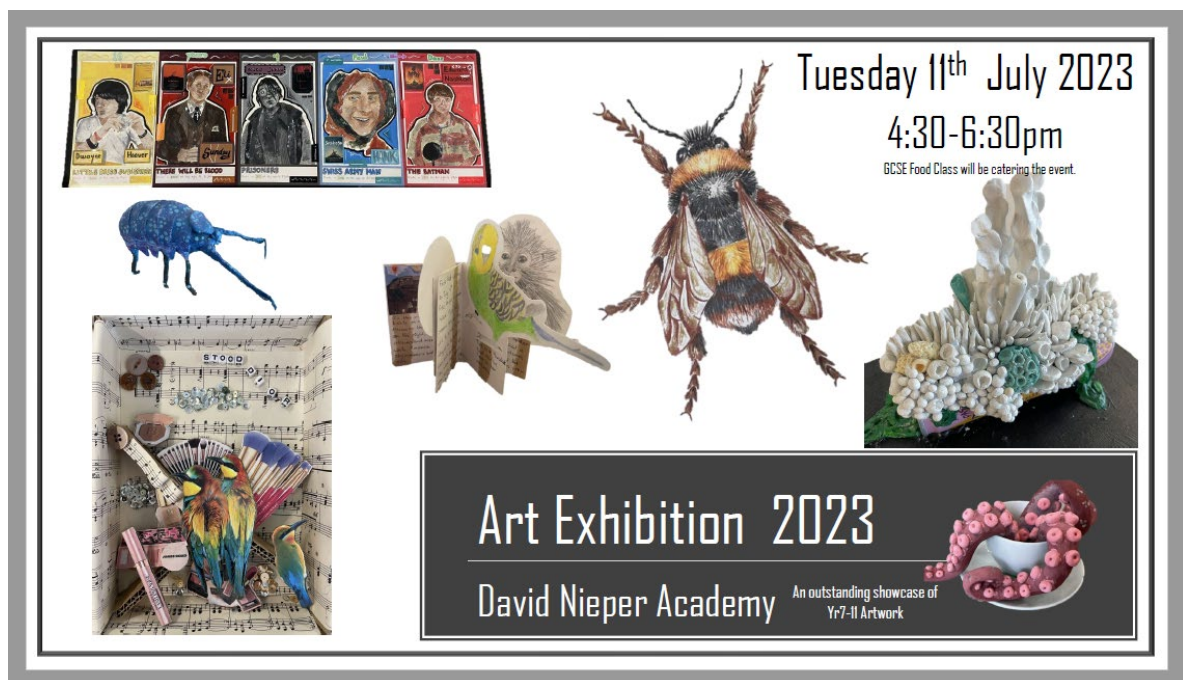
To ensure that we can provide the highest quality education for the maximum number of pupils during the national teacher strike action, called by the NEU, we are asking pupils to work from home as follows:

- Wednesday 5 July 2023 – Year 7
- Friday 7 July 2023 – Year 9

Years 8, 10 & 12 should attend as usual on both days for the planned Enterprise activities. Staff have worked very hard to ensure that the full range of Enterprise activities can continue take place with the minimal impact.

Art Exhibition

On Tuesday 11 July our Art Exhibition will take place in the academy and everyone is warmly invited to attend.



Prize Giving

Letters of invitation have now been sent home to the winners of this year's subject and special awards. We look forward to a wonderful evening of celebration on Wednesday 19 July. If your child has received an invitation, please kindly acknowledge attendance to Mrs Hackett via email mhackett@davidnieper.academy by Friday 7 July.

Lockers

A separate letter has been issued to all pupils currently in Year 9 as they reach the end of Key Stage 3, requesting all lockers to be emptied, and keys returned by Friday 14 July. This will enable us to return all locker key deposits and clean all of the lockers prior to the summer holidays. In September we hope to be in a position to offer a small number of lockers to Key Stage 4 pupils.

Dates for the diary

Monday 3 July
Tuesday 4 to Friday 7 July
Wednesday 5 & Friday 7 July
Tuesday 11 July
Wednesday 19 July

INSET day
Enterprise Week
Industrial strike action
Art Exhibition
Prize Giving (by invitation only)

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Friday 21 July

Last day of term (Pupils will depart at 2pm)

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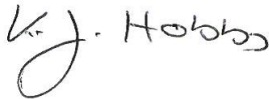
Monday 4 & Tuesday 5 September
Wednesday 6 September

INSET – academy closed to all pupils
All pupils return for the new academic year
(to a Week A timetable)

If we can help or support in any way, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us. Please email info@davidnieper.academy and a member of staff will be in touch.

Enjoy the weekend.

Yours faithfully



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