

Deer Park Secondary School

Section 10 Consultation

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Welcome

We are delighted that our proposed new free secondary school, Deer Park School, has progressed to the pre-opening phase and we are now undertaking statutory (Section 10) public consultation.

As the existing schools within the area are already at capacity or oversubscribed, and with the predicted numbers for school places required within the local area increasing, a new seven-form entry secondary school will be required to meet basic need.

Hampshire County Council working in partnership with the Department for Education (DfE) and Wildern Academy Trust will build this new school, which will be located on the Woodhouse Lane site of Uplands Farm Estate. The proposed opening date is September 2021 for 120 students, growing year on year to full capacity of 1050 students by 2027.

Deer Park School will form part of the Wildern Academy Trust and will be located in close proximity to the existing Wildern cluster of schools, which already have a strong and established relationship with Wildern.

We look forward to hearing your views, in order to provide parents/carers and the community we serve with the best schools possible.



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Vision & values

Wildern Academy Trust already has an outstanding school providing high quality education for the 1,900 pupils currently on role. The key principles and ethos of the Trust are built on Care, Opportunity and Quality.

Our commitment to serving the local community has been a key driver in developing the Trust and we are excited at the opportunity to develop a new secondary school in the local area to meet basic need.

Wildern's principle aim is to provide an outstanding learning experience for each child within the community. We are ambitious for all our students and offer a clear focus on achievement for all and high-quality teaching in a stimulating environment.

We will do this by:

1. Addressing the lack of school places due to the increased population (basic need).
2. Building on, and maintaining, the excellent educational provision at Wildern and in the local area.
3. Further developing Wildern Academy Trust's track record of successfully contributing to school and system improvement, innovation and transformation.

As an outstanding provider we are confident about our current and future provision. Wildern School's last three Ofsted inspections were all graded as outstanding and the Trustees believe that Wildern's excellent track record as a National Teaching School and a registered sponsor with the DfE places it in a strong position to sponsor and establish a further outstanding educational provision.

The key features of the vision for the new school include:

- No child left behind; each child is at the heart of what we do.
- All learners are supported and challenged to become independent, resilient, confident, articulate and moral individuals who are aspirational and ambitious.
- Exciting, personalised learning provision to stimulate students' enjoyment and love of learning.
- A culture of rights, respect and responsibility.
- An ethos that is inclusive, where each individual is valued and there is a focus on well-being and achievement.
- High quality professional learning for staff, developing strong and sustainable partnerships where innovative practice is jointly developed and linked to educational research and high-quality teaching and learning.
- Clear lines of accountability underpinned by strong management systems.
- Outstanding leadership at all levels to realise the vision.

Academic aspirations

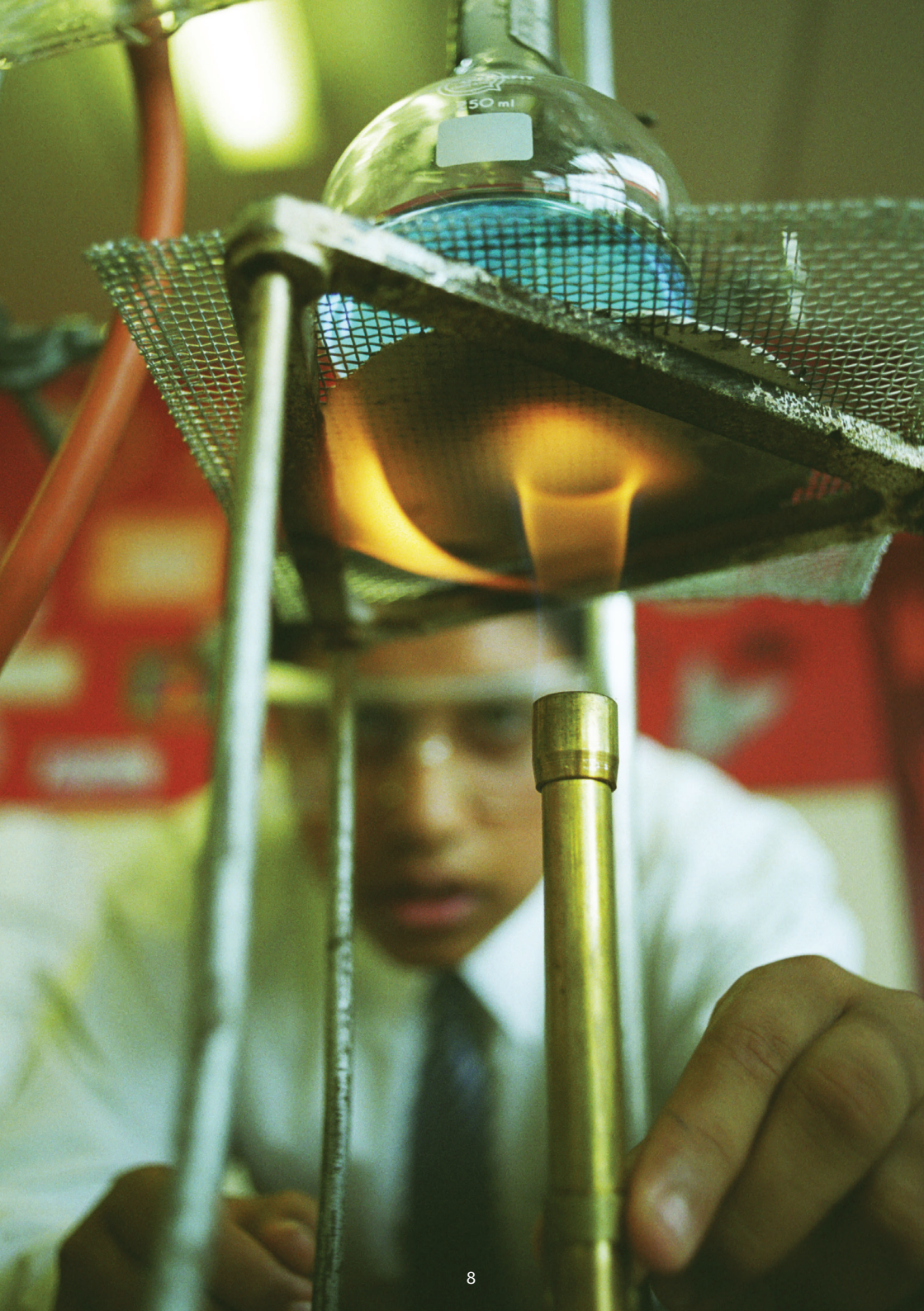
The Trust has a culture of high expectations, mutual respect and excellent behaviour. As an outstanding provider, we will embed systems and structures that guarantee high quality experiences for all students.

For example, monitoring the quality of teaching and learning, tracking students' attitudes to learning and current levels of performance based on personalised interventions that will vary depending on the child's phase of learning. We believe these key principles are fundamental. The richness of curriculum provision and learning opportunities will be at the heart of the vision for the new school.

In a changing educational landscape, we continue to be committed to building capacity to make significant contributions to school-led system leadership. As a National Teaching School, we provide high quality Joint Practice Development (JPD) and school to school support across Wildern Academy Trust and the Teaching School Alliance in order to increase expertise and influence continuous improvement. This has been achieved by creating a culture where students and staff are innovative, creative and prepared to take risks, and to learn from experience and evidence.

Deer Park School will be part of the Alliance and will access its resources, expertise and opportunities.





The curriculum

Wildern Academy Trust believe in offering a broad, balanced curriculum that enables all students to pursue their passions and interests from the start, instilling a love of learning.

Students will experience a full and engaging curriculum and we will provide a secure foundation through learning and development opportunities.

The new school will offer:

- Teaching that supports the acquisition of concepts, skills and knowledge and makes explicit the importance of transferring skills across subject areas.
- A balance of subjects and learning opportunities, within and beyond the classroom, to develop skills and interests.
- A creative and inspirational curriculum taught by specialist staff.
- A rich Personal Development Learning programme to promote fundamental British values.
- Support for students in understanding the importance of rights, respect and responsibility.
- Staff development to enable staff to continually review and adapt what they do.
- Sports facilities to encourage an active and healthy lifestyle.

We are committed to giving all our students opportunities to achieve and experience success; to establish sound, constructive relationships; to develop a sense of responsibility for their actions and to share a concern for their own environment and the world as a whole.

The new school

Our new 7FE Secondary School, which has capacity to accommodate 1050 pupils, is located on the Uplands Farm Estate at the heart of Woodhouse Lane masterplan and backs onto a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) and ancient woodland.

The school consists of two buildings: the main school building, which is three stories high; and a separate two storey Sports Hall building. The design of these new facilities, developed in close consultation with the Wildern Academy Trust, aims to provide a high quality learning environment that is safe and stimulating, and supports and facilitates the school's ethos of care, opportunity, quality, non-discrimination and participation for all students.

At the heart of the school building is a light and airy triple height atrium. A wide variety of teaching spaces flow around this central space and include a central library/learning resource centre (LRC) space, general classrooms, information communication technology (ICT) studios, science labs, art /design and technology rooms, special educational need (SEN) rooms, and a music and drama performance hall. The Sports Hall building includes a four court sports hall, a multi-use activity studio and associated changing facilities.

These two buildings lead out onto hard paved and grassed social areas, with a wetland habitat area beyond. Other external facilities include a Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) with three netball courts, a combination of grassed sports pitches and a running track, which are accessed via our private pedestrian boardwalk that spans over a stream flowing through the woodland setting.

Admissions

A draft Admissions Policy detailing how to apply, how places will be allocated in the event of oversubscription and how to appeal against any decisions can be found on our website: www.wildern.hants.sch.uk/new-school-information/deer-park/

More detailed information with regards to the admissions process and copies of the application form and process will be available on the website as we move towards opening. This will include specific contact details to support parents through this process.

More information about the School Admissions Code can be found on the Government website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-admissions-code--2>



The consultation

We would like to hear from the local community in the coming weeks to help inform the Secretary of State for Education's decision on whether to enter into a Funding Agreement with Wildern Academy Trust for Deer Park School.

We will listen to your comments and use feedback to help ensure our new school is the best it can be and meets the needs of the community we serve.

You can give us feedback in a number of ways:

- Visit our website and complete the online consultation questionnaire: **www.wildern.hants.sch.uk/new-school-information/deer-park/**
- Attend one of the public drop-in events we are holding at:
 - **5pm to 7pm on Thursday, 19 March 2020 at The WAVE, Wildern School, Wildern Lane, Hedge End SO30 4EJ**
 - **5pm to 7pm on Tuesday, 24 March 2020 at Boorley Park Primary School, Nairn Road, Boorley Park, Botley SO32 2SH**
- Write to us at **Deer Park School Consultation, Wildern School, Wildern Lane, Hedge End SO30 4EJ**

We are holding the consultation from **2 March to 24 April 2020** and will consider all views and comments shared with us during this period. If you have any queries, please email us at **deerpark@wildern.org**



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