



THE WESTLEIGH SCHOOL
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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing with some sad news that you may have already heard from your son/daughter.

A member of our school staff, Mr Darren Maironis, sadly died over the weekend in an accident.

This has been sad news for our staff and students, at losing a dear friend, work colleague and teacher. We have been in contact with his family to pass on our condolences on behalf of our school community, and will be supporting them over the coming weeks and months.

Darren has worked at The Westleigh School since April 2019 in the role of Teacher of Mathematics, having moved to us from Tottington High School, another Shaw Education Trust school.

Darren was a member of staff who will be sorely missed by all members of our Westleigh family.

When someone dies, young people can react in a number of ways. Some pupils may feel shock, others sadness, while others may be confused, angry or feel 'numb'. These reactions are all normal and our staff are here to support. We have tried to answer all questions at school but it may be your child has more when they are at home.

If you need support in helping your child please do not hesitate to get in touch and by all means use one of the many online resources available, e.g. Child Bereavement, Childhood Bereavement Network.

Our thoughts are with Darren's family and friends at this time. We will be in touch with details of how our school will celebrate Darren's life.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Carlton Bramwell
Headteacher