

DR. CARIKA WELDON

Mr. Ellington and Carrie Weldon would like to extend their heartfelt congratulations to their daughter, **Dr. Carika Weldon**, on her graduation from the University of Leicester on Friday, 22 January 2016 where she was awarded her degree in Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) with concentration in Biochemistry.



Dr. Weldon's research involves the regulation of Bcl-x splicing by G-Quadruplex Ligands that Favours Apoptosis. Her work is ultimately linked to cancer research. She is currently lecturing in the BioMedical Sciences Department at DeMontfort University, Leicester and also continuing her research as a Molecular Biologist in her own laboratory. Dr. Weldon is the youngest full time lecturer at the University.

Dr. Weldon graduated from Warwick Academy "WA" with the joint highest IB score in 2008. While at WA, she was also Head Girl and an avid violinist. She then graduated with her Bachelor's degree in Medical Biochemistry from the University of Leicester before moving directly into the PhD program.

Attending her graduation along with her parents were: Grandfather- Sinclair Smith, Grandmother-Marie Gibbons, Aunt Colleen Gibbons and Great Uncle Michael Gibbons. Her brother – Ellington Weldon Jr, Aunt Maryam Rasheed, Great Aunt Sonja Gibbons-Richardson and Aunt Ronnette Gibbons were able to view the graduation via live streaming.