



# Davison CE High School for Girls

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## Whole School

As we come towards the end of the Spring Term, It is wonderful to see the many events that we have missed for so long slowly starting to return to school life here at Davison. It gives us all such joy to see our students returning to a sense of normality, allowing them to thrive, flourish, shine and excel.

We were so excited to see the return of Encore! to Davison this month. Encore! is the charity fundraising talent show organised by the community prefect team.

The prefects were busy holding auditions, running rehearsals, and creating the show in preparation for the live event that took place on Wednesday 2 March.



### Congratulations to our wonderful winners!

1st place: Alice Fleming & Lily Shipton (piano & flute)

2nd place: Holly Frampton (piano)

3rd place: Tegan Brown-Felpts (song)

Best Newcomer: Frankie- May Wilson (piano)



A huge thank you to everyone involved, not only was it a great success with some talented performers, we also raised over £500 for Love Your Hospital.

**Well done to our students who attended the Chichester Literature Quiz on Friday, and were placed first and second ~ what a fabulous achievement!**

**Team C ~ 1st**

Gaia Dickens  
Daisy Speak  
Evie Kennedy  
Victoria Agastra

**Team A ~ 2nd**

Alice Howie  
Tegan Brown-Felpts  
Flo Buck  
Kerry Hersee



Team B worked very hard and came 6th ~ Lola Mellor, Rubhaya Aziz, Mollie Wheeler, and Maya Chirpita.

**Huge Congratulations to all who took part!**



**Eight Year 10 students from top sets, accompanied by their respective teachers Mr Vachhani and Miss Whyatt, entered a Year 10 Maths Competition for local schools, run by the Advanced Mathematics Support Programme, at Worthing College.**

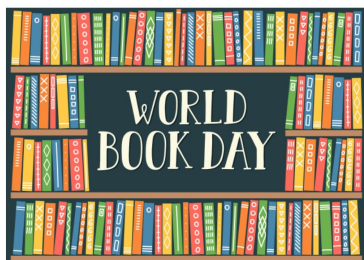
Representing 10XA were Alara O'Leary, Ella Thornburg, Gabi Nisbett and Freya Faithfull, and representing 10YA were Emine O'Leary, Georgia Jose, Charlotte Cook and Lara Sawyer.

There were several rounds during the afternoon, each enabling the students to apply mathematical skills and knowledge they already had, but in new, abstract and creative ways that they may not have considered before.



The students were also exposed to some mathematical concepts that they had not met before, and this really provided a healthy sense of challenge. The rounds involved the team working together, applying effective teamwork and communication skills, as well as applying mathematics.

All students engaged brilliantly with the event and received a certificate of participation. The organisers of the event also gave the students some information relating to the options of further study of maths and further maths at A-level, a taster of which was given to them by some of the rounds in the competition.



Staff and students enjoyed celebrating World Book Day earlier this month. As well as dressing up as a character from our favourite book, we took part in games, quizzes, puzzles and competitions!

**Quiz Runners Up:**

Hannah Payne 11 White  
Lily Sleight 11 White  
Aisha Letamendia Moore 11 White  
Maia Letamendia Moore 11 White  
Anna Thompson 11 Green

**Quiz Winners:**

Aine Daly 10 Yellow  
Jasmine Wards 10 Yellow  
Faye Richards 10 Yellow  
Tegan Hill 10 Yellow  
Leah Corb 10 White

**Costume Winners:**

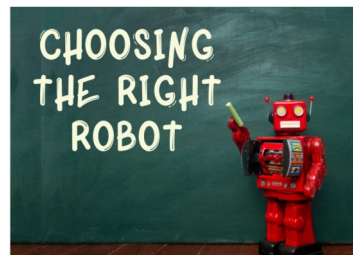
Eva Davies 10 Silver as Indiana Jones  
Flo Buck 9 Green as Daisy Buchanan  
Katie Guthrie 8 Yellow as Dr Watson  
Ella Lane 7 Orange as The Queen of Hearts  
Gracie Morrison 9 Green as Bellatrix LeStrange  
Thalia Quideau-Cronin 9 Pink as The Mad Hatter

**Staff Winner:**

Mrs White as Ursula



Mrs Carter and the Computing Prefects ran a competition for students to design a robot that could help them or others, Over 50 entries were received and the standard was incredibly high.



Well done to everyone taking part and congratulations to the following winners and runners up:

**Winners:**

Year 7 - Rebecca Finlay  
Year 8 - Ella-May Silver  
Year 9 - Alice Howie

**Runners Up:**

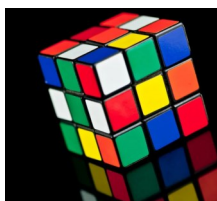
Year 7 - Katie Oakley, Amelia Bradley, Frankie-May Willson & Kaysie Stevens  
Year 8 - Hanna Bocon, Poppy Langton  
Year 9 - Tiani Matthews, Millie Whitlock



**Davison students were privileged to have supported Broadwater CE Primary School during their Prayer Week this month.** They enjoyed exploring prayer confidently and thoughtfully with pupils at the school and they were a real credit to Davison!



Thank you to Zita Ridgett, Izzy Stedman-Taylor, Emily Hersee, Katie Oakley, Polly Cooper, Elodie Clayton, Tamsin Brazier, Eva Davies, Emma Harkin, Amelia Hawke, Ciara Watts, Laura Bournier, Heidi Hodges, Gwendolyn Hughes, Inka Stevenson, Charlotte Cook, Hallie Foreman and Morven Stuart.



**Tegan Hill and Catrin Hill attended a cubing competition in Wakefield earlier this year. Cubing is solving Rubik's cube type puzzles as fast as possible. At the competition there were multiple events and 170 competitors of varying levels.**

Tegan and Catrin got to meet Katie Davies who is the UK's female no 1. The competition was exciting and challenging and Tegan and Catrin both had to overcome their nerves. As well as competing, they also judged other competitors making sure their times were recorded as per WCA regulations.

Tegan solved the 3x3 in 13.37 seconds with an average over 5 solves of 17.07 seconds, which places her as the 15th female in the UK! Catrin is following closely, as she solved the 3x3 in 27.5 seconds with an average over 5 solves of 33.6 seconds, placing her as the 59th female in the UK. **How incredible is that!**

### **Congratulations to the Top Ten Accelerated Readers who gained the most points for the month of February**

Lorelei Taylor 08Pink, Ivy Punyer 07 Gold, Mollie Wheeler 08 Yellow, Phoebe Zacher 09 Silver, Annabel Ware 07 Pink, Ciara Humphries 07 Yellow, Ella Spirovski 09 Orange, Ayah Miah 08 Yellow, Eve Mudie 09 Red, Orinta Gumuliauskaite 08 Pink.



**Staff and students held a one-minute silence on 23 March** to reflect on our collective loss, support those who've been bereaved, and hope for a brighter future.



**As the world looks at the conflict with Russia in Ukraine, many parents and carers may be wondering whether to broach the subject with their children, and if so, how best to talk about it. [These links may be of some help.](#)**

We continue to talk to students to equip them with information about the background to the conflict, where they can access up to date and reliable information, and how to spot, and deal with, misinformation. If you wish to talk about the impact on your child please contact your child's form tutor.

**Link to Hope are a Worthing based charity working in Eastern Europe and they are currently providing safe places for Ukrainian refugees to stay.** We have worked with Link to Hope for 20 years and colleagues have had the opportunity to make donations towards their work. **More information is available on their [website](#)**



**Tarla Jacobs and her family have been collecting for the families that have fled the Ukraine and are now in Poland.** A van full of donations has now left for Poland to help those in need.

**Can you help by collecting used stamps for the RNIB ~ the Royal National Institute of Blind People?** If you receive cards and letters through the post, please save the stamps. The RNIB will recycle these stamps into much needed funds for their services. They accept all stamps: new or used, first or second class, first day covers, presentation packs or albums.

Stamps are sold by weight and raise £20 per kilogramme. You might own or work in a business which receives a large amount of post. Stamps don't need to be sorted, just leave a 1cm of envelope or packaging around each stamp. This will ensure the perforations of the stamp aren't damaged. **Pop your stamps into an envelope or container once you have a sufficiency and hand them into reception ~ thank you.**



## ★ ★ ★ Sporting Success! ★ ★ ★

**Congratulations to our Year 10 Netball team who took part in a Netball tournament this month against seven local schools.** With a couple of new comers to the team they came out strong from the start. They won 6 out of 7 games convincingly and drew their final game.



**The final result went down to goals scored and we won overall by a goal difference of 10. They were all brilliant!**

**Davison took part in the area round of the Sussex School Games Netball Competition this month.** Some really brilliant games were played and **we ended up in 1st place!** The team now go on to represent the area at the County completion later this month ~ **amazing!**



**Congratulations to our badminton stars who smashed their area round of the KS4 Sussex school games this month,** winning their matches against all schools. They now go on to compete in the County round. **Despite being very nervous they were fabulous!**

**Congratulations to the Year 7 Football squad who were crowned District champions recently.** They came top of their pool with 4 wins and 1 loss and faced Durrington in the league finals. In very tricky weather conditions, the team performed brilliantly, dominated most of the possession and came away with a 3-0 win. **Well done to all those involved.**



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**Teams from Years 7 and 8 competed to win a place at the South East Championships. They represented the school beautifully and did us proud!**

Each year group competed against over 200 girls and although it was a team event the top 20 individuals in each year also qualified to represent Sussex at the South East Champions.



**Our year 7's were amazing and as a team came 3rd!**

**We also had Elodie Clayton and Abi Sparks qualify with Elodie coming 7th and Abi coming 14th.**

**We are yet to find out the overall scores for the year 8 team.**

**However our amazing Julie Walsh came 1st, qualifying for the South East Championships!**



**Congratulations to the U12 Girls Worthing United Youth Football team who won the Sussex Challenge Cup final recently.** Members of the Year 7 Davison Football team were involved - Georgia Glover, Maria O'Brien, Sienna Fowles-Teixiera, Lexi Antony, Abi Sparkes, Emily Budd and Annabel Ware. **It was fantastic to see so many of the team involved.**





Thank you to those of you who have signed up and raised funds through easyfundraising, we now have 92 supporters! Please do take the time to sign up with easyfundraising, especially for your online shopping! It really makes a difference to the fundraising efforts for our school ~ thank you.

If you haven't signed up yet, it's easy and completely free. Over 6,000 shops and sites will donate to FODS when you use easyfundraising to do your everyday online shopping - at no extra cost to you!

Whenever you buy anything online, from your weekly shop to car insurance, fashion to beauty items, homeware to garden deals, take-aways to birthday gifts you could be raising free donations for our school, without costing you a penny extra. There are no catches or hidden charges.

When shopping online through easyfundraising, you will find retailers who will donate to our school, such as, Argos, Groupon, Nike, Asos, M&S, John Lewis, Trainline, Curry's, Boots, Just Eat, Dominos, JD Sports and George at Asda.

Please click [here](#) to take you to the FODS website page where you can find further information about easyfundraising and how to sign up as a supporter of Davison CE High for School for Girls ~ PTA. Click [here](#) to go straight to our 'cause' page. Every donation makes a difference ~ thank you.

**FODS recycling textile bank is based in the carpark outside the school gates and is an Eco-friendly way of raising funds at no extra cost**

The textiles/items collected are sent to poorer communities across Eastern Europe and Africa. Garments that cannot be used are recycled into insulation materials and industrial cleaning wipes, so nothing ends up in landfill.

We are pleased to be raising extra funds for our school through textile recycling, whilst being part of something really positive for the environment and reinforcing the importance of recycling.

**Thank you to everyone who has supported this initiative to date.**







## Careers and Work Experience News!



### Year 10 Work Experience Update 6 ~ 10 June

Thank you to everyone for supporting your child's options for work experience week, whether it be finding a placement or working through virtual work placements or simply having the time to chat about college/careers and their options going forward – it all contributes to supporting our students with their post 16 choices.

**Reminder** – to all those who are attending a placement during WEX week the deadline for returning forms is Monday 25th April.



**AUDIOACTIVE**

Open day – Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April 1pm – 5.30pm

Free Entry

**Interested in a career in music?** Audio-Active have a number of free music sessions for young people in Worthing, all hosted in their brand new space on Montague Street.

Everything is free and their mentors are all brilliant and very credible and all performers and musicians in their own lives.

"We specialise in all forms of music such as rap, grime, drill and beat making. We also have musicians that play in bands and are DJs. They are all brilliant and will be able to support young people in Worthing to really shine and find their creative voice" All available sessions are listed on our Careers Frog page.

### Forthcoming College Open events



**Year 10 Taster Days 2022 Friday 1 July and Monday 11 July 9.30am – 3.30pm.**

Come and experience life at sixth form college, meet our tutors, explore our campus and participate in four taster subjects of your choice. The day takes place from 9.30am – 3.30pm and all information relating to the taster days can be found on our on our website via [this link](#).

[This link](#) will take students to the brochure giving details about the event and the subjects we are offering.

**Students should apply using the Online Booking System which is now open.** Places are limited and therefore early booking is advised. The closing date for applications is **Wednesday 11th May**. Please complete and submit an absence request form if you wish to attend.



If you're interested in studying with us in September 2022, or are still considering your options, we know how important it is to take a look around our modern campus.

Our open events will give you a chance to visit the college, meet our team of expert lecturers and find out about our range of courses – as well as get a feel for the campus.

Our next open event is taking place on **Tuesday 07 June 2022, 4:30-7pm.**

Booking for this event will open closer to the time. Updates will be posted to our website and social media. We're excited to welcome you soon!

If you or your child would like any further information on the above or have any question please pop along and see me (the Careers office is in the LRC) or email me [careers@davisonhigh.school](mailto:careers@davisonhigh.school)

**Mrs Rachel Parnell – Careers & Work Experience Coordinator**



We are excited to be welcoming a Spanish school group into Davison this June and are currently looking for host families for the Spanish students in the local area for 7 nights from 14<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> June 2022.

We need families who are interested in meeting and getting to know 1, 2 or 3 youngsters from Spain and making them feel like one of the family.

As your daughter is approximately the same age as these students (14 – 16 years old), this would be an ideal opportunity for her to meet and get to know people from another country and culture and also possibly to practise her Spanish language skills as the Spanish students practise their English.

In addition to the linguistic and cultural benefit to your family, you will also be financially reimbursed for this. We offer £137.50 per student for the week and as most would like to stay in pairs, that's £275 for 2 or £412.50 if you have space to look after 3 students.

If you are interested in taking part in this unique experience, please contact Combination Languages directly by email; [info@combinationlanguages.com](mailto:info@combinationlanguages.com)



If you're interested in joining the Davison CE High School for Girls team, please keep an eye on the vacancies section on our website. [Please click here](#) to be directed to our website.

Join our Alumnae of past students and spread the word! Please sign up using this [link](#).



Department  
for Education

### Updated Guidance in relation to Covid-19

**Children and young people aged 18 and under with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days**, which is when they are most infectious. **They can return to school on day 4, provided they no longer have a high temperature.**

**Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people.** They can go back to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

Studybugs

We would like to remind you to use the 'studybugs' app when reporting your child's absence from school.

The 'studybugs' app can also be used to notify us if your child has an appointment and needs to leave early using the option 'send other message'. The app is quick and easy to use and install; absences are then automatically added to our registers, eliminating any unnecessary absence texts to you. **Please [click here](#) to get started.**

sQuid

Did you know that as well as topping up accounts electronically [via this link](#), cash top-ups can be made for as little as £1, via the machines in the Refectory and Dinner. This allows students to avoid having to load the minimum electronic top-up of £10.

### Support During Difficult Times

**At Davison we take great pride in being at the heart of the community. We support many local organisations and also invite our wider community to join with us too for events, celebrations and much more.**

In recent times especially, 'community' has been even more important. We recognise that many family's circumstances have changed and this is only being added to by increasing financial pressures experienced due to rising food and energy costs, causing many of us to need extra support.

### Community Hub – Support for all families available

The West Sussex County Council Community Hub is available to all families providing access to support for food, fuel, clothing and essentials.

The Community Hub can be contacted on 0330 222 7980 and is open 09:00 – 17:00 seven days a week. Further information can be found via the [West Sussex County Council website](#).

Should you require any further information or advice about the scheme, please contact [welfarecommunities@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:welfarecommunities@westsussex.gov.uk) Please click [here](#) for a list of local organisations providing support.



## PE Kit Reminders

The PE department would just like to give a quick reminder of correct PE kit for lessons.

**The correct kit is as follows:** Red T-shirt, navy blue skort, plain black or navy tracksuit bottoms (no big logos or stripes), plain black leggings (no big logos or stripes), black leotard, white socks, red football socks, shin pads, navy blue school logo fleece (no alternative jumpers allowed), sports trainers (no converse/ vans style shoes).

**If your daughter is missing any kit or would like to purchase extra**, we have a small range of second hand kit which we sell from the PE office for £1 per item. Students may come to the PE office at a break or lunch to purchase anything they may need.

**If your daughter has recently has her ears pierced** please provide tape to cover them during PE lessons for the first 6 weeks. After this time, earrings will need to be removed during PE lessons for safety.

**Full details of the School Uniform Policy are on our website and further information can be accessed via [this link](#)**

The School Governors have approved that a navy blue tailored trouser be permitted as an alternative to the school skirt. The trouser must be a regulation item which displays the school logo. It can be purchased from our official uniform suppliers [Broadwater Sports](#) or [First4Uniform](#). No alternative to the regulation item will be accepted and this decision will be reviewed annually. **A reminder to name school uniform please, especially jumpers and coats that are often removed in school and once in lost property they are difficult to re-unite without being named, thank you.**

**Davison offer second-hand uniform for sale in various sizes (subject to availability) at very reasonable prices.** We also hold a very limited stock of unembroidered PE kit. To purchase, please email [preloved@davisonhigh.school](mailto:preloved@davisonhigh.school) with your daughter's name, form and details of the sizes and quantities you require. If you have any uniform or unembroidered PE kit in good, clean condition that you wish to donate, we would be happy to take it in at Reception. **Year 11s in particular** may wish to start sorting out any uniform they no longer require! **All monies made from the sale of Davison Preloved Uniform goes towards the School Fund.**

**Please could you remind your daughter ...**

**NOT to bring aerosols (for example, perfume, deodorants) into school or on school trips.** Inhaling chemicals from the aerosols can cause allergic skin reactions, nausea, headaches, asthma and breathing difficulties for many of our staff and students. If your daughter is found to be in possession of an aerosol in school or on a school trip, the item will be confiscated and made available for your collection from Reception.

**To avoid bringing food items into school that contain nuts**, as we have members of our school community who have severe nut allergies.

We welcome your support in protecting the health and wellbeing of **all** our school community and thank you, in advance, for your understanding in this matter.

**Please could you remind your daughter ...**

**that they should inform their teacher if they are feeling unwell and a member of the medical team will see them.** Students are requested not to call home; any student who bypasses this process and is collected without being seen by the medical team will have their absence recorded as unauthorised. Thank you.

**that signing in and out during the school day should be at *Student services*.** (*other than at DEAR time when they come to Reception*) . Thank you

**that she should have a water bottle with her** and encourage her to have breakfast before coming to school. Thank you.

**Spring Term 2022 ~ Tuesday 4 January to Friday 8 April**

**Summer Term 2022 ~ Monday 25 April to Thursday 21 July**

**Half-term: Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June 2022**

**Monday 2 May is a Bank Holiday**

**INSET DAY ~ Friday 29 April**

**EARLY CLOSURE ~ Thursday 9 June for Year 8 Consultation Evening**

**TERM ENDS AT 12.30pm ~ Thursday 21 July**

**School Term, Holiday dates and planned INSET days for 2021/22 and 2022/23 are on our website and can be viewed [here](#).**

**A list of named contacts and their email addresses is available on our website and can be viewed [here](#).**

All school policies including our pupil privacy notice can be found on our website under policies.

## **Noticeboard**

**Tickets are currently available from Worthing Theatres for Worthing Scout and Guide Gang Show.** If you are looking for something fun to watch during the Easter break, the performance runs from 20 to 23 of April at the Pavilion Theatre, Worthing. [This booking link](#) also gives details of performance times.

**Clubs Spring Term 2022 [click here](#)**

**Important information from Worthing Secondary Schools and GPs** across Worthing. Please read the letter below which can also be found [here](#).

Dear Parents/carers,

We are writing to you collectively representing the six secondary schools and GP practices across the Worthing area. If you are receiving this letter, it is because your child's school has joined our partnership and is part of our local professional team who work together to support all school-aged children.

Schools and GP practices in Worthing started meeting approximately once a term in 2018. The aim of this group is to find ways to support our young people in a collaborative way. We have consistently found, in situations where it is believed that medical issues are felt to be a potential barrier to regular school attendance, that by working jointly and closely with families we (schools and medical professionals) are able to find a way forward in the best interests of the child and family.

We have recently re grouped as the pandemic restrictions have eased and have already begun discussions about some of the new challenges that our children appear to be facing. We recognise and understand the challenges that individual children face can appear to be many and varied and sometimes also extend into those adults in the children's life too. However, the expectation remains that all school age children attend school on a regular basis. This expectation is supported in full by all medical staff, schools and both local and national government.

Moving forward, to support attendance, both GPs and school staff will make it a high priority, whenever a concern is raised regarding a medical worry or issue that is perceived to be a barrier to attendance at school, to speak with each other and form an effective working partnership with the parent/carer and child. This will ensure that the child (and wider family members if necessary) get the right blend of support in a timely way and therefore school attendance and learning does not suffer.

Our shared expectation now is that if you have a medical concern that you feel is limiting your school-aged child's attendance you specifically ask that the GP/School to speak. We are keen to work with you and will find a way to help move whatever the issue/concern is forward.

Thank you in advance for your continued support. We look forward to further collaborative working.

## Year 7

*Dates for your diary ...*

**w/c Monday 25 April** ~ Year 7 Exams Week

**w/c Monday 6 June** ~ Camp Week



## Year 7

Interform Musical Theatre returned to Davison on Thursday 24 March with some outstanding talent.

All pupils did so well and the judges awarded the following results:

**1st Place- 7 Blue with Prince Ali**

**2nd place- 7 Orange with Teachers Pet**

**3rd place- 7 Silver with The Greatest Show**



Huge congratulations to our winners and everyone who took part, special thanks to our wonderful judges from **Dynamic School of Performing Arts** and **KP School of Dance** who generously selected a few stand-out pupils to offer them prizes of learning with them at the dance school they run.

## Year 8

*Dates for your diary ...*

**w/c Monday 16 May** ~ Camp Week

**Thursday 9 June** ~ Year 8 Subject Consultation Evening (early closure)

**w/c Monday 27 June** ~ Year 8 Exams Week

## Year 9

*Dates for your diary ...*

**Tuesday 28 June** ~ Teenage Booster Vaccinations

## Year 10

*Dates for your diary ...*

**Thursday 28 April** ~ Year 10 Subject Consultation Evening (early closure)

**w/c Monday 6 June** ~ Work Experience Week

**w/c Monday 13 June** ~ Mock Exams fortnight

**The Science Department is running a Year 10 and 11 Homework Club every Wednesday lunchtime in SC2.** iPads will be available to use. These sessions are aimed at giving students a quiet space to complete homework in school and to offer support when needed. Please pop along and see us.

## Year 11

*Dates for your diary ...*

**Friday 13 May** ~ 'Leavers' Day and Church Service

**Monday 16 May** ~ Start of GCSE Exams

**Friday 24 June** ~ Class of 2022 Prom

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## Year 11 (continued)

### Year 11 Locker arrangements between 13th May until the end of Exams

#### Lockers access: -

**When the Year 11's leave on May 13th, all possessions in lockers must be removed.** However, until the end of June, students can still have daily access and use of their lockers to store any possessions when coming into school for their exams if they so wish. Please remind students they must not share lockers at any time.

#### Emptying lockers: -

When a student no longer requires their locker, they should remove the padlock, bring this to Reception, and claim their deposit refund where appropriate (see below).

**The last date for padlock refunds will be 4th July, after this time lockers will be emptied by staff and any valuable items found will be named & bagged up and must be collected by 11th July. After this time items will be disposed of.**

#### Padlock deposit refunds: -

All students that have paid for a padlock (and have not had a replacement during their time due to losing it) must return the padlock to reception to claim their £5.00 deposit. Other students cannot claim for another student.

*Please note that this bulletin is accurate at the time of print,  
however, details may be subject to change*