



Davison CE High School for Girls

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Whole School

A very warm welcome to our first Parent Bulletin of this new academic year. It is wonderful to welcome both our new and returning students to the start of a new academic year, particularly after such an unprecedented disruption to schooling for so many students in recent times.

Thank you so much for everything you have done to help us keep your daughter, and our whole school community, safe by participating in our on-site LFD testing programme. I am very pleased to say that the process has been really effective and has enabled us to identify a small number of asymptomatic cases, across different year groups, that would, otherwise, have gone undetected. Your support in maintaining regular LFD tests for your daughter every Monday and Thursday mornings is really appreciated as we all do everything we can to keep all members of our community safe

Over the summer we celebrated the astonishing GCSE results achieved by our 'Class of 2021.' These remarkably resilient young people overcame many obstacles, presented by the pandemic, to achieve such wonderful and thoroughly deserved outcomes. It seems like no time at all since they were starting out afresh in September 2016. We wish them every happiness in their future endeavours.

Chris Keating, Headteacher

DAVISON C.E. High School for Girls
Come and have a look at our school

OPEN MORNINGS 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 27th, 28th September 9.00am - 11.00am

OPEN EVENING 5th October 5.30pm - 8.00pm
Presentation and Headteacher talks 6.00pm and 7.00pm

For further details: www.davison.w-sussex.sch.uk

We would welcome your support for our Open Mornings in September ~ please do encourage friends, relatives and neighbours with children in Year 6 to visit Davison at 9am on either Wednesday 22 September, Thursday 23 September, Friday 24 September, Monday 27 September or Tuesday 28 September ~ thank you.

We look forward to **welcoming prospective new students and their parents and carers at our Open Evening on Tuesday 5 October from 5.30pm to 8pm** ~ students and their families are invited to attend and talk with our current students and staff members. **Please note that on Tuesday 5 October we will be running five slightly shorter lessons in order to enable us to finish early at 2pm and prepare for Open Evening. Wednesday 6 October is an INSET day.**



The Governing Body of Davison CE High School for Girls has Parent Governor vacancies this term. Letters and self-nomination forms will be sent to parents/carers early next week. [Please click here](#) to be directed to our website for further information about the role.

Davison CE High School for Girls are recruiting and we currently have three vacancies on our website. The vacancies are for:

- ICT Technician
- Learning Support Assistants
- Teacher of Science

[Please click here](#) to be directed to our website for more information about each of the roles and how to apply.

We are delighted to share with you that our school has chosen to work towards being accredited with the Anti-Racist School Award

The Carnegie School of Education based at Leeds Beckett University have developed the Anti-Racist School Award to give schools a framework to evidence policies and initiatives for both staff & pupils within the wider school community. By embracing the ideals of the award, we are demonstrating a deep commitment to working towards excellent practice as we place anti-racism as a the core value of our school/academy alongside our commitment to having a rich whole school culture where all members of our school/academy community can thrive.

We would welcome expressions of interest from parents/carers who would like, and are able, to work with us more closely on the competencies of the award. If you would like further information about this, please contact Ms Fox by email: h.fox@davisonhigh.school

We look forward to sharing how we, as a community, are further developing our practices in relation to anti-racism over the coming months. Further information about the award can be found on the [Leeds Beckett University website](#)



We are proud to have supported the locally based charity [Link to Hope](#) with their 'Shoebbox Appeal' for the past 20 years.

This week, your daughter will have had the opportunity to learn how *Link to Hope* support people living in Eastern Europe to rebuild their lives and communities. You will have received a schoolcomms information email with a suggested items list ~ we kindly ask for one item and 20p, which will go towards transporting the Shoeboxes.

Thank you for your support with this appeal.



WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING

The 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning' is on **Tuesday 21 September** ~ we will be holding a cake sale in aid of the charity Macmillan Cancer Support.

The Community and Senior Prefect teams will be running this event for our students and staff to enjoy at morning break time. **If you would like to support their fundraising efforts by donating cakes, please send in your contribution by 9.00am on Tuesday 21 September to Mrs Bunyard ~ thank you!**

We kindly ask for cakes which do not contain nuts. We cannot ensure that the homemade or shop bought cakes donations do not contain nuts or traces of nut. Whilst every care is taken to exclude nuts, the possibility of the presence of nuts/nut traces cannot be guaranteed at this cake sale.

Therefore, we ask students and staff who have any type of allergy to self-manage their allergy and take due care and attention if they chose to make a purchase, thank you.



Harvest 'Thanksgiving' Assemblies will be held on Tuesday 19 October for Years 7, 8 and 9 and on Thursday 21 October for years 10 and 11



We will be sharing our Harvest donations between two local charities; Turning Tides and Worthing Food Foundation. Further details will follow shortly with information about the charities and their suggested list of Harvest items you might like to kindly donate. **Both charities are grateful for any donations ~ thank you.**



FODS Wonderful Winter Fayre is on Friday 26 November 6.30pm-8.30pm ~ this whole school event is a great start to the festive season so please pop the date in your diary ... further details to follow!



A big welcome back to the new school year!

I am writing on behalf of FODS - the Friends of Davison School, to flag up our activities and invite all parents and carers, old and new, to join our friendly PTA team in fundraising for our brilliant school!

FODS was set up a number of years ago and over that time has raised money to fund a huge range of large and small projects, for the benefit of our students.

From the minibuses which take students on school trips and sporting fixtures, to the fantastic long jump pit, the redevelopment of the 'Learning Resources Centre', cookers for our budding chefs, microscopes, ukuleles and the LED backdrop stage curtain used in school performances, FODS have lent a helping hand and funded these and many more school 'wish list' items.

Our latest achievement was to help transform the 'wellbeing' space by funding the installation of artificial grass, which has made such a difference to this outdoor area.

We have a number of fundraising events each year culminating in the ever-popular Winter Fayre in November when raffles are won, tombola prizes claimed and Father Christmas is always in attendance! A full list of FODS diary dates found on our school website or by clicking [here](#).

FODS Meeting and Event Dates - Autumn Term 2021	
Thursday 30 th September	Year 7 Social - 6.00pm - 8.00pm
Tuesday 2 nd November	Events Team Meeting - 6.30pm
Tuesday 16 th November	FODS AGM - 6.30pm
Friday 19 th November	Winter Fayre 'Preparation Day' 9.00am
Friday 26 th November	Winter Fayre - 6.30pm - 8.30pm

If you would like to attend our AGM on 16 November or join FODS please email n.bunyard@davisonhigh.school the schools Community Manager. You do not need to commit to every meeting or event, even if you can help once a year FODS would appreciate your support. In return we promise you a fun and rewarding time. Please do keep an eye open for our amazing events published in the Parent Bulletin and come along to support our school!

Best wishes

Alison Groves
Chair of FODS



Thank you to everyone who has signed up to easyfundraising. We have 70 supporters so far, but could do with more!

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. Or click [here](#) to go straight to our 'cause' page Every donation you raise makes a difference ~ thank you.

FODS new fundraising initiative has raised just under £100 since its arrival in May 2021. Our 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, is it time to tidy out your cupboards and drawers and drop your items into the FODS textile bank?



FODS Summer Raffle! A huge thank you to everyone who donated prizes and to all who bought raffle tickets, together we raised an outstanding £1,613!

Congratulations to all our winners!



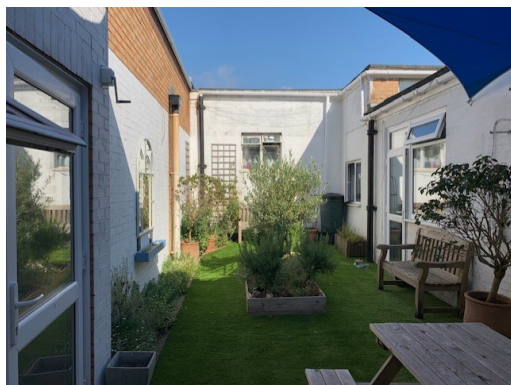
If you work for a company which has a match fundraising policy, please do let us know. This is an extremely valuable way of raising extra income for FODS through their fundraising events, especially the Winter Fayre. Some companies may match the fundraising total for an event, or for the stall that their employee is working on. Please contact Mrs Bunyard, Community Manager n.bunyard@davisonhigh.school if you would like to discuss this further, thank you.

In July, students and staff celebrated the first ever 'NHS Social Care and Frontline Workers' Day. We were excited to take part in this nationwide celebration to show our appreciation for everything the NHS and key workers do for our country. To mark this day students and staff enjoyed a picnic lunch together on the field in the sunshine and the community prefect team sold ice lollies throughout the week.



Thank you to everyone who kindly donated and gave so generously, we raised a fabulous £416 which will be shared between the 'NHS Charities Together' and the 'National Care Association'.

We are pleased to share the development of our 'Wellbeing Courtyard' with you. We were successful in applying for a grant to develop this space into a tranquil area of reflection for staff and students.



The grant was generously funded by the 'Clarion Futures Emergency Support Fund Covid19'. Thank you to FODS for sourcing this and for helping to get the grant application together.

Thank you to our premises team and our wonderful colleagues for lovingly planting and caring for what has already become a calm and peaceful space.

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.**



Eco News ~ Its harvest time!

It has been a late season for black berries but the Eco Club and 11Gold are making the most of the fabulous blackberries that grow in our school grounds by picking and freezing ready to make jam. All our jam will be on sale at the Winter Fayre in November.

We are always looking for more fruit and vegetables to add to our jam and chutney, so if you have an excess growing in your garden and don't know what to do with it we would be very happy to use it! **Please bring any donations to Mrs Dodd in Sc4 or drop at reception.**

We are still collecting crisp packets, there are collecting bins in every building of the school, **please feel free to bring in empty crisp packets from home as well as those collected in school.** So far we have recycled over 25kg of crisp packets!

If your daughter is interested in becoming a member of the Eco Club, we meet every Thursday from 3:20-4:20 in sc1. Please see Mrs Dodd for more details or email j.dodd@davison.w-sussex.sch.uk



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

Congratulations to the many Dancers who, along with their dance schools, across Worthing, Lancing and Shoreham, competed in the Dance World Cup representing Team England.

The event was held in Telford this Summer and many Davison Dance representatives went along to perform.

It was great news that Team England placed first!



Musical Instrumental Exam successes Summer Term 2021

Congratulations to the following students who all took graded music exams last term. Less students than usual took exams due to the restrictions of Coronavirus but those that did all did brilliantly!

Miriam Frank - Grade 1 drum kit (distinction), Grade 4 trumpet

Abigail Collier – Grade 1 drum kit (distinction)

Aisha Letamendia-Moore – Grade 2 violin (distinction)

Martha Wilson – Grade 4 violin (distinction)

Bella Deffee – Grade 2 violin

Molly Wheeler – Grade 2 violin (distinction)

Abigail Clay – Grade 8 saxophone, Grade 8 piano (distinction)

Momoko Waters – Grade 3 piano

Charlie Thompson – Grade 1 keyboard

Lizzie O'Haire – Grade 2 keyboard

Tiffany Lai – Grade 7 piano

Ella Pinches-Field – Grade 2 piano

Congratulations to these forms who read the most words in the 2020/2021 Academic Year!

Third place 9 Red with 25,755,994 words read,

Second place 9 Purple with 27,348,511 words read,

First place 8 Yellow with 28,438,679 words read!.

Well done for reading so many words!



Department for Education Announcement regarding COVID-19 vaccine update for 12 to 15 year olds

This autumn, all young people aged 12 to 15 are being offered a first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. Vaccinating young people should help to reduce the need for young people to have time off school and should reduce the risk of spread of COVID-19 within schools. The main purpose of the COVID-19 childhood vaccination programme is therefore to provide protection to the young people who receive the vaccine and to reduce the disruption to face-to-face education this winter.

Like all school-based vaccination programmes, the School Age Immunisation Service (SAIS) team will be the primary provider of the vaccination programme and will be legally responsible for the delivery of the vaccine.

More information on the COVID-19 vaccine, the vaccination programme and how it will work, as well as answers to some frequently asked questions, is included in the [Public Health England guidance for schools](#).

[NHS leaflets](#) are available to provide more information to parents, carers and eligible young people on the vaccine, including how it works and what to expect after having the vaccine. Accessible versions and translations are also available

Please be reassured that the vaccination process will only involve those students, between the ages of 12 and 15 who have the consent of their parent(s)/carer(s) and are agreeing to be vaccinated.

Further details will follow regarding the electronic consent process and the dates that the NHS vaccination team will be on-site here at Davison.



West Sussex County Council have asked us to let you know that The West Sussex Transport Plan (WSTP) is being reviewed to update the County Council's strategic approach to investment in and management of the transport network.

They are consulting on a draft version of the plan to get feedback on its content and the strategies that it sets out. Subject to consultation feedback, it is expected that the plan will be adopted in early 2022. The consultation ends on the 8 October 2021. To complete the survey, [please visit their consultation page](#).

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.

This year especially, 'community' has been even more important. We recognise that many families circumstances have changed as a result of the economic impact of lockdown with many of us needing extra support in these unprecedented times.

Please click [here](#) for a list of local organisations providing support.

A quick reminder about which PE kit your daughter will need to wear to school for days when she has PE.

Pupils should wear:

- ♦ Either navy skort, plain black leggings or plain black or navy tracksuit bottoms (no big logos, mesh, perforations, stripes etc)
- ♦ Red PE shirt
- ♦ Red or white PE socks
- ♦ Sports trainers
- ♦ PE fleece (no hoodies, sweatshirts or other non-PE jumpers please)

If your daughter is missing any kit she can purchase clean second-hand kit from the PE office at break and lunch times. All items £1.

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.

Davison offer a second-hand uniform service, supplying various sizes of uniform items (subject to availability) at very reasonable prices. We also hold a very limited stock of unembroidered PE kit. If you would like to purchase uniform from the 'shop', please email us at preloved@davisonhigh.school – including your daughter's name and form and details of the sizes and quantities you require. If you have any uniform or unembroidered PE kit in a good, clean condition that you wish to donate, we would be happy to take it in at Reception. **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.

Autumn Term 2021 ~ Thursday 2 September to Friday 17 December

Half Term: Monday 25 October to Friday 29 October

INSET DAYS ~ Thursday 2 September, Friday 3 September, Wednesday 6 October and Monday 6 December

Spring Term 2022 ~ Tuesday 4 January to Friday 8 April

Half-term: Monday 21 February to Friday 25 February

INSET DAY ~ Friday 29 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

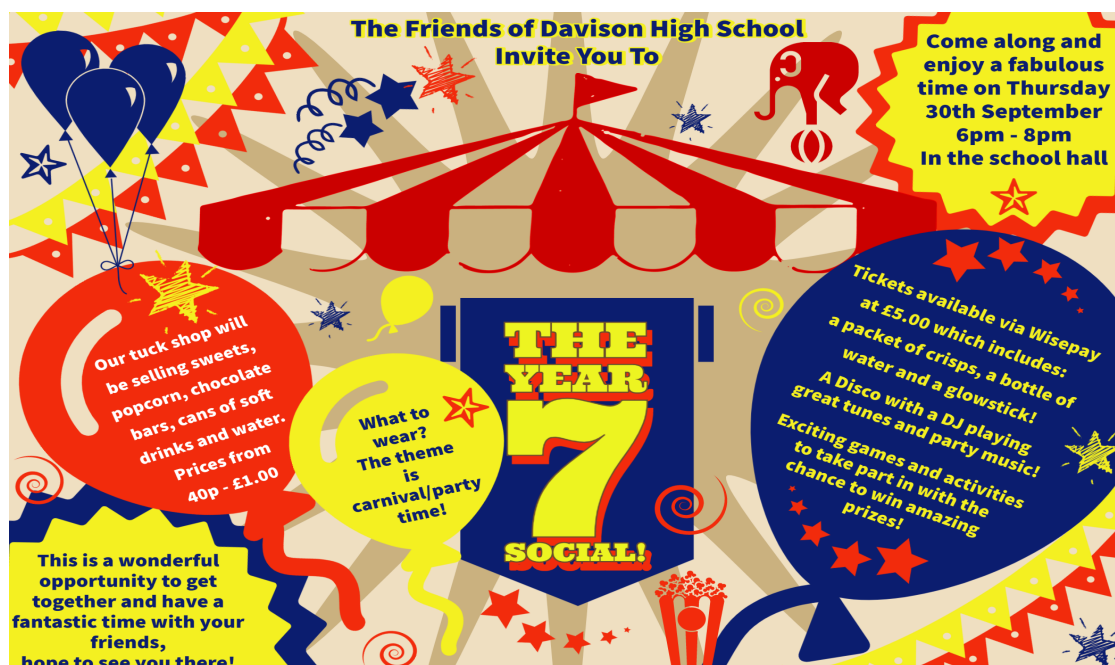
School Term and Holiday dates for 2021/22 and 2022/23 are on our website and can be viewed [here](#).

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.

Year 7

Thank you to Parents and Carers who have already purchased their daughters' ticket for the 'Year 7 Social'.



We know how excited Year 7 are for this event, and we are delighted to give them an opportunity to come together and celebrate the start of their high school experience with all of their Davison CE High School friends.

Click [here](#) to see the parent/carer letter.

Year 7

Dates for your diary ...

Friday 24 September ~ Year 7 Service of Welcome at St George's Church

Wednesday 29 September ~ Flu vaccinations

Thursday 30 September ~ 6.00-8.00pm FODS Year 7 Social

Monday 4 or Monday 11 October ~ Year 7 'Growing Up' sessions

Tuesday 12 October ~ Year 7 'Look up' Theatre Performance

Wednesday 20 October ~ '6 Weeks In' meeting for Parents/Carers and Form Tutors

Thursday 3 March ~ Year 7 Subject Consultation Evening

w/c Monday 25 April ~ Year 7 Exams Week

Year 8

Dates for your diary ...

Friday 24 September ~ Year 8 Service of Welcome at St George's Church

Wednesday 29 September ~ Flu vaccinations

Thursday 9 June ~ Year 8 Subject Consultation Evening

w/c Monday 27 June ~ Year 8 Exams Week

Year 9

Dates for your diary ...

Wednesday 29 September ~ Flu vaccinations

Thursday 20 January ~ Year 9 Subject Consultation Evening

Thursday 27 January ~ 5.30-8.00pm Year 9 Options Information Evening

w/c Monday 14 March ~ Year 9 Exams Week

Year 10

Dates for your diary ...

Wednesday 29 September ~ Flu vaccinations

Thursday 28 April ~ Year 10 Subject Consultation Evening

Year 11

Dates for your diary ...

Wednesday 29 September ~ Flu vaccinations

Wednesday 13 October ~ Post 16 Information Evening

Thursday 18 November ~ Year 11 Subject Consultation Evening

w/c Tuesday 4 and Monday 10 January ~ Mock Exams Fortnight

Thursday 3 February ~ Mock Results Day

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