

Davison CE High School for Girls

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Whole School

Link to Hope - Shoebox Appeal

We were overwhelmed by the support and generosity of our whole school community. We collectively made up 150 shoeboxes and raised £187 towards the transportation costs. Thank you!





Harvest 2022

We had a very successful Harvest, collecting donations for <u>Worthing Food</u> <u>Foundation</u>. Thank you to all our students and their families.





Thank you all for your generosity, your contributions will go a long way towards supporting people and families in difficulty across our community.



During the 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning', we raised a fantastic £258 for <u>Macmillan</u>. Thank you to everyone for their wonderful donations of baked goods!

Thank you to everyone who supported our non-uniform day. We raised a fantastic £955 which will be shared between <u>Heads On</u> and FODS. Thank you for your support.



Please save the date for our next non-uniform day on Friday 9 December, in support of Turning Tides and Friends of Davison School (FODS).

Show Racism the Red Card ~ Wear Red Day Thank you to all staff and students who wore red on the last day of term to stand together against racism. It was a fabulous turn out and great to see so much support.





FODS Wonderful Winter Fayre is on Friday 2 December from 6.30pm-

8.30pm. This whole school event is a great start to the festive season so please pop the date in your diary ... raffle tickets will be coming home soon!





Thank you to those of you who have signed up and raised funds through easyfundraising. 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 <u>here</u> 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 <u>here</u> 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.

RNIB

See differently

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,

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.

We joined with others in the two-minute silence last week to remember all those who have died in conflict, alongside raising funds for the Royal British Legion (RBL) Poppy Appeal.



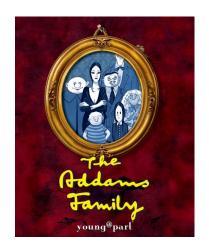


We will soon be inviting you to join us for our annual Christmas Carol Service at St George's Church.

Please save the date of Monday 12 December at 7.00pm

We are pleased to announce that our next school production will be 'The Addams Family'. Performances will be Wednesday 10, Thursday 11, Friday 12, and Saturday 13 May

The lead roles are made up of two casts and will perform in two shows each - the ensemble will perform all four evenings. The cast has now been announced to students and any students in Year 7 & 8 will be invited to take part after the Christmas break.



The Drama & Music Department are looking forward to starting rehearsals.



This week is anti-bullying week. At Davison CE High School every member of the school community is valued and respected. We are a caring community, whose values are built on trust, friendship, thankfulness, hope, forgiveness and friendship and in which bullying has no place.

This week, to coincide with anti-bullying week, we have been sharing a presentation with students during form-time to raise awareness of the issues and flagpost support and strategies available to help cope with the stresses of modern life.

We would also like to share some information (below) about resources available to you as parents and carers which may be of help.

West Sussex now has a Single Point of Access (SPoA) for emotional wellbeing and mental health support.

It provides a simplified single route so that children, young people, families, carers and professionals can be directed to the right service, eliminating the need to refer to multiple services.

Led by Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust's Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS), the new single point of access arrangement is delivered in partnership with West Sussex County Council. https://www.sussexpartnership.nhs.uk/west-sussex-spoa



Parenting Through Difficult Times is a FREE interactive short course for parents of school-aged children, living in West Sussex. Sessions are led by Kim McCabe, founder director of Rites for Girls CIC and author of 'From Daughter to Woman', who draws on thirty years experience working with preteens and teens, advising parents and lessons learned from her own mothering journey.

She shares many practical tools that can be put into use today, plus gives you food for thought, improving your confidence in parenting your children safely through these uncertain times.

Parents can apply to access the free course online, by emailing: <u>ukad-min@ritesforgirls.co.uk</u> or calling 07762 792277.

A booking link is also included <u>here</u>. The free WSCC-funded option can be selected from the drop-down list under 'Choose a package'

The course runs from this Wednesday for 3 weeks and again in January.

Under 13 English School Cup competition ~ The U13 Football team were Davison history makers this term, for the first time we reached the third round of the English School cup competition. The squad travelled to Blshop Luffa in Chichester to win 13-0, Warden Park in Cuckfield to win 6-1, unfortunately the score line didn't go our way against Oriel High School, coming away 0-2.





Congratulations to all members of the squad

Under 14 Football League

Over the last 5 weeks, two Davison Football teams have been competing in the District league. Both teams saw wins and losses. It was fantastic to see so many Year 8 & 9's getting involved in the Football league. Due to the mixed fortune of results, neither team went through to the semi-finals.







Well done to all involved.

Year 7 Football Competition ~ A group of Year 7's attended the recent district football festival.

The aim of the festival was for girls to participate in Football. There were over 100 pupils taking part in the festival, which was fantastic to see. The Davison team did brilliantly, they came away with experience and made memories.







Year 8 Netball Tournament

Last month both of our year 8 Netball teams competed in the area tournament at Durrington. There were 12 schools in the competition spread over 2 pools.

Both teams played brilliantly and this was the B team's first games of the season with new players in the team. They have been training hard and this paid off in their games.

The final result saw the A team finish 1st and the B team finish 4th. A great result all round!



Year 9 Netball Tournament

Last month our Year 9 A and B Netball teams took part in their area Netball tournament. There were 12 teams entered and competition was high. Both teams did exceptionally well and played their first competitive games of the season, together with a handful of new comers this year.



They all played brilliantly and supported each other, boosting confidence levels. Unfortunately, the B team did not make it through to the semi finals but the A team won their semi's game convincingly and went on to play St Oscar Romero in the final. By half time we were 5:2 up and

in a strong position. In the second half we gave a few goals away but kept the pressure on in a very evenly matched pairing. When the final whistle went we were down by just one goal, finishing in 2nd overall.

Congratulations to everyone who took part. You did yourselves and the school proud.



At the end of September we took 3 teams along to the Sussex School's Relay Swimming Championships.

This is the only annual event that our swimmers get to compete in to represent the school and they did brilliantly.

We entered the Junior (year 7 and 8), Inter (year 9 and 10) and Senior (year 11) categories of the competition.

All age groups took part in a 50m freestyle relay and a 50m medley relay.

All girls swam amazingly well, and all teams finished in the top 2 of their heats.

The following students represented the school:

Lily Parker Alice Howie Ella Thornburg
Aleena Phromla Cerys Cook Ella Wardle
Amber Ferguson Gertie Griffin Morven Stuart
Lizzy Groves Lily Dalimore Annie Kingshott

Arabella Bettis Emma Harkin



Following the second round of the gala, these are the final results:

Senior girls came 4th in the freestyle relay and 3rd in the medley relay.

Inter girls came 12th in the freestyle and 15th in the medley. This was a particularly large age group with 25 schools competing, so they did very well to finish where they did.

Junior girls came 3rd in the freestyle relay and 2nd in the medley relay. This was out of 27 school so they deserve a huge 'well done' in finishing so highly.



During the Autumn Term in PSHE, students will be studying the following content.

The topics in red come from the RSE (Relationships and sex education and health education policy) You can find the full document <u>here</u>. This information can also be found on the curriculum page on the school website.

Year 7	intro to PSHE Transition to secondary school and feeling safe Identity - who am I Identifying and managing emotions
	Managing worries and nervous feelings Road and rail safety Girls on board
	Looking after relationships Antibullying and online relationships – including the law Bullying or banter
Year 8	What is PSHE Mental welling Promoting emotional wellbeing Anti-smoking Internet safety and harms – sharing of images
Year 9	What is PSHE & Mental wellbeing Recognising mental illness Drugs - types/law/risks Alcohol FGM
Year 10	What is PSHE and mental wellbeing Re-framing negative feelings Managing stressful situations/wellbeing - exam County lines/exploitation/ knife crime Online – extremism/radicalisation
Year 11	Post 16 destination search Post 16 application forms and interview Trade unions Pensions Salary, expenditures and housing Mock revision/planning



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.

Stay in touch and join the Davison Alumnae ~ communications include career links, newsletters, information about school events, volunteering and fundraising Please sign up using this **link**.





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. If you are having problems with Studybugs, please ensure we have the correct email address on file ~ email addresses not on file will not be recognised



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.

Maths Equipment. Please ensure your daughter has the correct equipment for their Maths lesson. We would prefer that they purchase their calculator through the school, as it will have all the functions available that we deem important (an Aurora AX595, @ £4.90) WisePay is now available for purchasing calculators and exam packs together. If you wish to purchase a calculator or exam pack separately your daughters maths teacher, (or at the Maths office) will accept cash for the individual items.

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.

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 <u>West Sussex</u> <u>County Council website</u>. Should you require any further information or advice about the scheme, please contact <u>welfarecommunities@westsussex.gov.uk</u> <u>Please click here for a list of local organisations providing support.</u>

West Sussex County Council is working in partnership to support people and families who are struggling the most with the rising cost of living. They are urging those who are struggling to seek the support that is available to them. More information about the support available is in this link.

Could your family be eligible for extra support? Please <u>click here</u> to view a letter providing information on Free School Meals (FSMs) and <u>here for the link</u> to apply for FSMs via West Sussex County Council. Eligibility will depend on what other benefits you might be entitled to. Unfortunately, school have no say in this process.

As a school we recognise that the increase in energy prices will have an impact on our families so with this in mind, we are extending the opening hours of the Learning Resource Centre (LRC) each Tuesday and Thursday to 5.30pm. It is a great opportunity for students to use the facilities to complete any work, read quietly or to relax and play a board game with friends. Also, from 4.00pm onwards, we will be providing juice and biscuits. We hope that students take full advantage of this opportunity, and we look forward to seeing lots of new faces to enjoy our beautiful LRC!

Free Sanitary Items for all Students - Here at Davison, student services are able to supply free sanitary products to any student who needs them during the school day. We can also supply any student, who is unable to afford the cost of them, with free sanitary products during these difficult economic times. Please contact Student services in confidence to make a request.

medical@davisonhigh.school

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 of 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.

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.

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 they should have a water bottle with them and encourage them to have breakfast and any required anti-histamine before coming to school. Thank you.

Full details of the School Uniform Policy are on our website and further information can be accessed via https://doi.org/10.258/

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 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. All monies made from the sale of Davison Preloved Uniform goes towards the School Fund.

Autumn Term 2022 ~ Thursday 1 September to Friday 16

December 2022 ~ terms ends at 12.30pm on Friday 16 December

Half-term: Monday 24 October to Friday 28 October 2022

Spring Term 2023 ~ Tuesday 3 January to Friday 31 March 2023

Half-term: Monday 13 February to Friday 17 February 2023

Summer Term 2023 ~ Monday 17 April to Friday 21 July 2023

1 May is a Bank Holiday

Half-term: Monday 13 February to Friday 17 February 2023

Teacher Training (INSET) Days 2022/23

Thursday 1 September, Friday 2 September, Wednesday 5 October, Monday 5 December 2022 and Friday 28 April 2023 are the five Teacher Training Days.

School Term, Holiday dates and planned INSET days are on our website and can be viewed <u>here</u>.

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

Please can we politely remind you to park considerately on the roads in the area surrounding the school. We have had a number of complaints from local residents about parking on double yellow lines and obstructing driveways.

Please could we also remind you that you should not be driving into the school car park to drop off/pickup students unless you need to access a disabled parking space. This is for the safety of our students and staff who are moving around the school site during these busy periods.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Noticeboard

Lost Property Update

Whilst students should be encouraged to take responsibility for uniform, kit and other belongings, the school will take reasonable steps to support students and parents in locating lost items. To assist this we request that all uniform and kit is clearly marked with the student's name.

We advise that valuable personal items are not brought into school. When this is unavoidable the student must take responsibility for the item.

The following procedures are in place:

- Small named items of lost property that are handed into Student Services will be returned to students via their tutor bags.
- Large named items (coats, PE Kits, shoes) are held in Student Services and an email is sent to students for them to collect. Parents will also be emailed if the Student does not collect.
- Un-named uniform or other items are held in Student Services for the duration of the half-term. Students should make every effort to reclaim their lost property as soon as possible.

To assist students and parents in relocating lost unnamed items the school will:

- Allow students to look through un-named lost property in Student Services during break, lunchtime and also before and after school.
- Upload images of un-named Lost property onto the lost property section on FROG.

Student Services accumulates a considerable amount of unnamed lost property over the course of a half-term, especially winter coats which are an expensive item to lose in these difficult financial times. However, we do not have the capacity to store this quantity for long.

At the end of each term any unclaimed un-named items will be recycled within the school and local community. Thank you.

A message from our reception team:

We are receiving a significant number of calls regarding individual messages for students during the school day. Unfortunately, we don't have the capacity to pass messages onto individual students throughout the school day, equally this is disturbing for teachers whilst they are in lessons teaching. Please ensure arrangements are made prior to the school day - only in emergencies can we pass messages on.

We are finding a number of students don't have sufficient funds on their SQUID (cashless catering account). Whilst we appreciate there have been a few problems regarding SQUID and balances being available once parent and carers have paid, there has been an increase in students that don't have any money on their account and no lunch. Please ensure that sufficient funds have been added in order to purchase lunch or that your daughter has a packed lunch with her. Thank you.

Noticeboard

Career Share

Parents and carers are the biggest influencers on young people's aspirations and conversations about careers can have a positive impact on grades, motivation to study and attitude to success. By sharing stories about your career and life path you can make a positive impact on the lives of young people.

We are looking for parents and carers to take part in a range of activities to help prepare our students for the life beyond school. There are lots of ways you can get involved some only taking 5 minutes of your time!

To take part, please click on this link.

Monday 5 December is an INSET day and the school is closed to students. School will close early for all year groups on Thursday 8 December, due to Year 9 Consultation Evening, with students dismissed at 2pm, and on Friday 16 December with students dismissed at 12.30pm, thank you.

Year 7



Year 7 Social Event ~ Thank you to everyone who made it to the Year 7 Social. It was lovely to see so many of you there. We hope you had a great time; we certainly did!

Year 7

Dates for your diary...

Friday 2 December ~ 6.30-8.30pm FODS Winter Fayre

Monday 5 December 2022 ~ INSET Day

Monday 12 December ~ 7pm Carol Service at St George's Church

Monday 12 & Tuesday 13 December ~ End of Term Church Services

Friday 16 December ~ End of Term, school finishes at 12.30pm

Year 8

Dates for your diary...

Friday 2 December ~ 6.30-8.30pm FODS Winter Fayre

Monday 5 December 2022 ~ INSET Day

Monday 12 December ~ 7pm Carol Service at St George's Church

Monday 12 & Tuesday 13 December ~ End of Term Church Services

Friday 16 December ~ End of Term, school finishes at 12.30pm

Year 9

Dates for your diary...

Friday 2 December ~ 6.30-8.30pm FODS Winter Fayre

Monday 5 December 2022 ~ INSET Day

Thursday 8 December ~ Year 9 Subject Consultations

Monday 12 December ~ 7pm Carol Service at St George's Church

Monday 12 & Tuesday 13 December ~ End of Term Church Services

Friday 16 December ~ End of Term, school finishes at 12.30pm

Careers are busy inviting local colleges and organisations to attend the Year 9 Options evening in January to provide students with further information regarding their choices and possible post 16 pathways.

More information to follow from Mrs Parnell in due course.

Year 10

Dates for your diary...

Friday 2 December ~ 6.30-8.30pm FODS Winter Fayre

Monday 5 December 2022 ~ INSET Day

Monday 12 December ~ 7pm Carol Service at St George's Church

Monday 12 & Tuesday 13 December ~ End of Term Church Services

Friday 16 December ~ End of Term, school finishes at 12.30pm

Work Experience week - 10th-14th July 2023

We have now launched Work Experience for year 10 – The information pack and all paperwork can be found on the <u>website</u> or FROG. Mrs Parnell has been visiting year 10 classes to talk about how they can contact/introduce themselves to organisations by using the template letter also on the website and FROG.

Deadline for all paperwork is Friday 31st March - Any questions at this point, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Parnell by email careers@davisonhigh.school or students can visit Mrs Parnell in the careers office.

Year 11

Dates for your diary...

w/c Monday 14 November ~ Mock Exams Fortnight

Friday 2 December ~ 6.30-8.30pm FODS Winter Fayre

Monday 5 December 2022 ~ INSET Day

Monday 12 December ~ 7pm Carol Service at St George's Church

Monday 12 & Tuesday 13 December ~ End of Term Church Services

Wednesday 14 December ~ Mock Results Day

Friday 16 December ~ End of Term, school finishes at 12.30pm

Thank you to everyone who attended the Davison careers fair in October – over 150 students attended with parents/carers and all the providers commented on how engaging and interested our students were in the options available to them. We hope you all found it a worthwhile event and that it provided you with the information you need as you make your post 16 choices.

Mrs Parnell has started meeting year 11 students for a half hour, 1:1 post 16 discussion and will continue to do so throughout the year. However, if you or your child has a pressing enquiry, please do not hesitate to email Mrs Parnell careers@davisonhigh.school.

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