## **Davison CE High School for Girls**

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### **Whole School**



Davison students and staff are celebrating the stories of black individuals and groups throughout the month of October. We have lots of activities planned, a wonderful selection of new books for students to borrow by black authors and many competitions!





Classroom doors and offices are showcasing inspirational and historical figures as part of black history month, Staff were asked to share stories of black individuals who have inspired them or who they admire, in the form of a poster.





Congratulations to the Senior, Deputy and Community Prefects in organising a fantastic 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning' cake sale in aid of the charity 'Macmillan Cancer Support'.





Together we raised a brilliant  $£310 \sim \text{well}$  done and a big thank you to students, parents, carers and staff who made and donated cakes!

www.macmillan.org.uk



Thank you to everyone who generously contributed items towards the 'Link to Hope' 'Shoebox Appeal'.





This year, we were delighted to have gifted 128 shoeboxes filled with generously donated items, which will be distributed to families and elderly folk in Eastern Europe <a href="https://www.linktohope.co.uk">www.linktohope.co.uk</a>



This Harvest Year 7, 8 and 9 will be supporting the charity, 'Worthing Food Foundation' (WFF). In April 2020, WFF began providing emergency food to members of our community facing food poverty due to the Covid outbreak.

We kindly ask each student to bring in one item to go into their Form Groups Harvest box by Wednesday 20 October. WFF would appreciate any of the following food items: tinned meat, meals, tuna, vegetables, tomatoes and puddings, long life juice/milk, pasta, rice, squash, tea, coffee, biscuits, jams, spreads and cereals. Any of the following would also be most welcome: shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, shower gel, hand soap, sanitary towels, toilet rolls, toothpaste, toothbrush, nappies, baby wipes and pet food ~ thank you www.worthingfoodfoundation.org.uk

#### We are extremely proud of our 'Worthing Food Foundation Student Ambassadors'

who had the opportunity to visit the WFF depot. They learnt how WFF collects and distributes food donations, how they raise awareness of the services they offer and how they tackle the stigma around food poverty. The Student Ambassadors have produced an informative Harvest assembly which will be shown to KS3 students.







During Form time Year 10 and Year 11 students will learn about the local homeless charity 'Turning Tides' and their Harvest appeal. They have put together a 'wish list' of donations they would like: sugar, biscuits, fruit juice, small



bottles of water, squash, cartons of milk, microwave rice, tinned corned beef, tinned ham and tinned rice pudding or any of the following miscellaneous items: deodorants, dish cloths, washing powder, washing tablets, toilet rolls, backpacks, rucksack, cereal bowls, dinner plates and baby wipes.

Please can donations be brought into school by Wednesday 20 October thank you <a href="https://www.turning-tides.org.uk">www.turning-tides.org.uk</a>



**The Year 7 Social was a great success!** Students enjoyed an evening of music, and fun to celebrate their transition to secondary school. Many thanks to our fantastic Year 11 Prefects, staff and FODS for organising an event which students will remember for a long time!







You are warmly invited to Friends of Davison School (FODS) ~AGM at 6.30pm on Tuesday 16 November in the Refectory. This is an opportunity for you to hear first-hand about the fantastic work of FODS (our school PTA) and how their fundraising efforts greatly benefit our school. If you would like to attend the AGM, please email <a href="mailto:n.bunyard@davisonhigh.school">n.bunyard@davisonhigh.school</a> stating how many seats you would like to reserve. FODS is a registered charity and we are always looking for parents/carers to join the team, whatever year group your daughter may be in. If you would like further information, please speak to any of the team at the AGM or email our Community Manager, Nimie Bunyard.



Winter Fayre ~ We are delighted to announce that we will be holding our FODS Winter Fayre on Friday 26 November from 6.30pm-8.30pm (we will follow government guidelines and may have to cancel this event if we are required to do so).

Donations: FODS would be grateful for any of the following donations towards the Grand Raffle and mini hampers: boxes or bars of chocolate, tins or packets of biscuits, toiletries and candles. Students can drop off these donations at reception ~ thank you

If you would like to donate a bottle of wine or alcohol for the bottle tombola, please can you personally bring this to reception as we cannot allow students to bring alcohol into school.

If you would like to donate a raffle prize outside of the items listed please do get in touch, perhaps you own a business and see this as a great opportunity to promote your business whilst supporting our school and students. Donations will need to be received by Monday 22 November ~ thank you.

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Thank you to those of you who have signed up and raised funds through easyfundraising, we now have 80 supporters! Please do take the time to sign up with easyfundraising, 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. Or click <u>here</u> to go straight to our 'cause' page Every donation 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, is it time to tidy out your cupboards and drawers and drop your items into the FODS textile bank?

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.





Join our Alumnae of past students and spread the word!

Please sign up using this <u>link</u>.

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.



We would like to congratulate the successful Year 10 students who will participate in the 2021-22 Young Enterprise Company programme following their impressive presentations in front of the 'Dragons Den' panel.

**Bookpressed:** Morven Stuart, Laura-May Macpherson, Maddy hide, Roxy Jenkins, Mischa Petri, Netanya Retardo, Tamsin Brazier & Gabriella Nesbell.

**Azalea**: Ella Currier, Annella Stevens, Maia Terry, Bronwyn Milner, Yuvhasini Katti, Ciara Watts, Laura Bourner, Keira Owens, Gemma Hoare, Sofia Hawkes, Ruby Matthews & Olivia Reardon.

We are very excited to be welcoming back Matt Stanley, Accounts Director, at Coast to Coast Direct as Business Adviser for Bookpressed.

Additionally we are thrilled to be joined by a former Davison student, Becky Matthews who now runs her own company Rose Petal Cake Company and will be mentoring Azalea.

Please join us in wishing them the best of luck for the year. We look forward to sharing more news about their products soon.

Congratulations to Sussex athletes, Julieana Walsh and Saul Bennett, who competed for the Under-13 South East Mini London Marathon Team 2021 on Sunday 3 October. We are very proud of them and our very own Mr Clayton, who has been coaching Saul in preparation for the event.



https://www.sussexathletics.net/news/top-selection-for-brighton-hoves-mini-milers/



Well done to 7 Orange who won the summer school reading challenge. 7 Orange managed to quiz on 161 books in half an hour! Their lovely shiny medals have be handed out to them.

Thank you to everyone who took part in, and dressed up for, European Day of Languages that we celebrated on 27 September. We had great fun joining in various quizzes and activities and learning along the way!





A huge 'well done' to Naomi Goodban and Mia Heppenstall for their fundraising activities in September. Together, they have raised over £150 for St. Barnabas Hospice participating in the Midnight Walk.

Naomi also raised £40 by taking part in the Cancer Research Race for Life and Mia baked a delicious cake for Macmillan Coffee Morning ~ well done to you both, we are so proud of you!

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

Evelyn Vickers-Currey 09Red, Anya Bates 09Yellow, Victoria Agastra 07Blue, Ivy Punyer 07Gold, Lorelei Taylor 08Pink, Ava Macleod 09Gold, Harmonee Burd 08Pink, Zita Ridgett 08Blue, Ayah Miah 08Yellow, Eve Mudie 09Red





Joint letter to parents of secondary school and college students in England on Covid-19 testing and vaccines from the Secretaries of State for Education and for Health and Social Care.

We have been asked to share with you a joint letter on Covid-19 testing and vaccines from the Secretaries of State for Education and for Health and Social Care. Please click here to read the letter.

The Immunisation Service are coming into school on the 19th October to offer your child the Pfizer/BioNTech Covid-19 vaccination. 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 can be found <u>here</u> including the electronic consent process <u>here</u>.



#### **Face Coverings on Public Transport**

With cases of coronavirus rising in the local area, we are requesting that students continue to respect the wishes of Govia Thameslink Railway, by wearing face coverings

both inside the station and on the train for the entire journey unless they are exempt. Your support in helping us keep the wider community safe is much appreciated.



Please **click here** to read a letter from our catering provider Impact Food Group (IFG).

#### **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 <a href="here">here</a> for a list of local organisations providing support.

## 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 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.

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 <a href="mailto:preloved@davisonhigh.school">preloved@davisonhigh.school</a> – 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 ...

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.

#### 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

Dates for your diary ...

Tuesday 19 October ~ Covid-19 Vaccinations for students with consent
Wednesday 20 October ~ '6 Weeks In' virtual event 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 ...

Tuesday 19 October ~ Covid-19 Vaccinations for students with consent Thursday 9 June ~ Year 8 Subject Consultation Evening w/c Monday 27 June ~ Year 8 Exams Week

### Year 9

Dates for your diary ...

Tuesday 19 October ~ Covid-19 Vaccinations for students with consent 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 ...

**Tuesday 19 October** ~ Covid-19 Vaccinations for students with consent **Thursday 28 April** ~ Year 10 Subject Consultation Evening

## Year 11

Dates for your diary ...

Tuesday 19 October ~ Covid-19 Vaccinations for students with consent 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