



Whole School

As we reach the end of the Autumn Term I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support, understanding and willingness to work together to provide a positive environment for your children to learn and grow.

It has been wonderful to see the return of our collective events of celebration at this time of year ~ Carols for the Community, the Winter Concert, the Winter Fayre, and our Christmas Carol Concert at St George's Church later this evening.

As we begin the final week of the Autumn Term, I would like to remind you that students will finish the school day at 12.30pm on Friday. Students will attend lessons 1 and 2 as normal on Friday and, following an extended break, they will have time in their forms to celebrate the forthcoming holiday. **All students return on Tuesday 3 January at the usual time.**

May I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Very Best Wishes

Chris Keating
Headteacher

Congratulations to Bluebell Maxwell 8 Gold, who won our Christmas Card Competition this year with her wonderful entry ~ read on to see our other worthy winners and their fabulous designs!





A huge thank you to everyone who supported our wonderful FODS Winter Fayre on Friday 2 December and to everyone who bought raffle tickets. We raised an incredible £5,328 and couldn't have done it without your support! Huge congratulations to all our lucky raffle winners and a massive thank you to all our generous sponsors!



We were delighted to be able to host our Carols for the Community event this year, after two years of holding it virtually.

It was wonderful to welcome back members of our local community and some ex-Davison students ~ we even had a visit from Santa!





Many thanks to all students (almost 200 of you!) that took part in the Winter Concert on 1 December. This was a fabulous event and was very well attended by parents/carers and the performances were of a really high standard.

All money raised is going to towards the purchase of a set of steel drums for the department ~ thank you for your support!

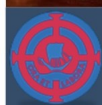
We were delighted to enter our Davison themed Christmas Tree into the Christmas Tree Festival held by St George's Church this month.

The festival was not only an enjoyable way to celebrate the season it also raised money for two charities.

Worthing Food Foundation, a local non-referral food operation supporting the people of Worthing that was started during the pandemic.

Tearfund, a Christian charity that partners with churches in more than 50 of the world's poorest countries tackling poverty.

It was a joy to take part!



Davison CE High School for Girls
Christmas Carol Service at St George's Church,
Worthing on Monday 12 December at 7pm

A reminder to join us at 7pm this evening at St George's Church, Worthing, for our Christmas Carol Service.

Capacity is limited at St George's Church ~ please arrive promptly to avoid disappointment.



Thank you so much to all students who entered the **Davison Christmas Card Competition**. There were roughly 180 entries this year and we are exhibiting them all in a display at the end of the maths corridor to celebrate your festive creativity! The runners up and winners were carefully selected.



Runners-up receiving a chocolate prize ~ Grace Stanoch 10YE, Amber Ferguson 8BL, Harriet England 9WH, Indiana Bazeley 9GO, Poppy Hammond 8YE



3rd Place receiving a £10 gift voucher ~ Rosie Mawson 8PU, Eva McAvoY Smith 8GR



Special commendation receiving a £15 gift voucher ~ Mia Terry 11RE



On Friday 18 November, 10 year 9 students visited Northbrook College for an exciting enrichment trip. They explored a Photography workshop where they experimented with slow-shutter speed and different camera techniques, while using a professional photographic studio. Afterwards, they got creative with current prop-making students in a textile workshop where they made 'Ojos de Dios' decorations inspired by Mexican culture.



The Drama Department entered two teams of Year 11 students for the English Speaking Union Public Speaking competition.

The teams came up against stiff opposition from entries from Seaford College and St Philip Howard Catholic School. Team B consisted of Alara O'Leary (speaker), Isabel Black (Chair) and Emine O'Leary, who gave an indepth and well researched talk on the problems of gun control and liberty in the US.



Team A were Grace Edlin Wright (speaker - on the topic of how do we measure success), Evalyn Edwards (chair) and Rosie Jones (questioner) who succeeded in getting through to Round 2. If they are successful there, they will go on to regionals and possibly even the grand final in Cambridge.

Well done to both teams!

Our gymnastics squad competed at the South East Trio Competition at the beginning of December and were amazing. All teams placed and our Under 13 team - Posy Kirwin, Kiki Finn and Scarlett Stockdale have qualified for the national finals ~ **what a fabulous result!**



Wellbeing Advent Calendar from the Wellbeing Prefect Team ~ we invite you to open the doors each day to reveal messages, videos and images to support our wellbeing, as we countdown to Christmas. There should be some familiar faces along the way. [Click here](#) to get started!

We hope you enjoy getting involved – please share any photos or comments with Mrs Jameson c.jameson@davisonhigh.school and let us know how you are getting on!

R N I B

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.**



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 [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.





During the Spring 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 [here](#). This information can also be found on the curriculum page on the school website.

Year 7	<p>Money matters</p> <p>Democracy in the local area</p> <p>British Values and freedoms</p> <p>The Monarchy</p> <p>Managing screen time</p> <p>Living a healthy lifestyle, including looking after teeth, eyes, ears, skin</p> <p>Prescription drugs and vaccines</p>
Year 8	<p>Careers, including skills, interests and qualities</p> <p>Law and order</p>
Year 9	<p>Careers and options</p> <p>Democracy and voting</p> <p>Equality Act and protected characteristics</p> <p>Human Rights</p>
Year 10	<p>Pregnancy and choices</p> <p>Sexually transmitted infections and staying safe</p> <p>Consent and the law</p> <p>Pornography and the law</p>
Year 11	<p>Living with HIV</p> <p>Women's health including fertility, menopause and miscarriage</p> <p>Marriage and other partnerships</p> <p>Families and parenting</p> <p>The importance of self-examination</p>



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](#).



Could we politely ask if your Daughter is unwell for school that you report this on Studybugs by 8.30am. This allows us to safeguard effectively as a 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 [West Sussex County Council website](#). Should you require any further information or advice about the scheme, please contact welfarecommunities@westsussex.gov.uk Please click [here](#) for a list of local organisations providing support.

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 [click here](#) to view a letter providing information on Free School Meals (FSMs) and [here for the link](#) 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 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.

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 [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 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 and 8 May are Bank Holidays

Half-term: Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June 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 [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

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.

Christmas Events at St George's Church, Worthing

2-4 Dec, 10am - 8pm Christmas Tree Festival A three day extravaganza! Enjoy trees from our community, supporting local groups. See the Christmas story. Refreshments available.		3 Dec, 3pm Live Nativity Walk the Christmas story around East Worthing (begin and end at church).	 We would love to have you join us at our Christmas events! For more details see stgw.org.uk or contact our church office 01903 219672 office@stgw.org.uk St George's Road, Worthing, BN11 2DS Reg. Charity No. 1131206
4 Dec, 10.30am All Age Interactive Nativity Service Dress up as a Nativity character and join in.	10 Dec, 5pm MU Christmas Singalong Christmas songs with seasonal refreshments.	13 Dec, 7.30pm Wreath Making Create your own Christmas decorations.	
18 Dec, 6.30pm Carols by Candlelight Traditional carols by the light of candles.	19 Dec, 3.30pm Christmas Messy Church Full of family fun, with activities, crafts and food.	22 Dec, 10am Family Film Morning Catch a Christmas classic, free! BYO snacks.	
24 Dec, 3 & 5pm Christingle Services Christmas Eve special.	24 Dec, 11.30pm Midnight Communion Bringing in Christmas Day together.	25 Dec, 10.30am All Age Christmas Service Celebrating Jesus' birthday!	

Early Closure at 2pm for all Year Groups on Thursday 19 January and Thursday 2 March (due to Subject Consultations)

Year 7

Dates for your diary...

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**

Tuesday 3 January ~ Start of the Spring Term

Thursday 12 January ~ Flu Vaccinations

Tuesday 28 & Wednesday 29 March ~ Easter Church Services

Year 8

Dates for your diary...

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**

Tuesday 3 January ~ Start of the Spring Term

Thursday 5 January ~ 6.30pm Year 8 Social

Tuesday 10 January ~ 6.30pm Interform Dance

Thursday 12 January ~ Flu & HPV Vaccinations

w/c 20 February ~ Year 8 Exams Week

Tuesday 28 & Wednesday 29 March ~ Easter Church Services

Year 9

Dates for your diary...

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**

Tuesday 3 January ~ Start of the Spring Term

Thursday 12 January ~ Flu & HPV Vaccinations

Thursday 26 January ~ Year 9 Options Evening

Tuesday 28 & Wednesday 29 March ~ Easter Church Services

Year 10

Dates for your diary...

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**

Tuesday 3 January ~ Start of the Spring Term

w/c 23 & 30 January ~ Mock Exams Fortnight

Thursday 2 March ~ Year 10 Subject Consultations

Monday 27 March ~ Year 10 Prefect Assembly

Tuesday 28 & Wednesday 29 March ~ Easter Church Services

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 [website](#) 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...

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**

Tuesday 3 January ~ Start of the Spring Term

Thursday 19 January ~ Year 11 Subject Consultations

Tuesday 7 March ~ Year 11 Grandstand Photo

Tuesday 28 & Wednesday 29 March ~ Easter Church Services

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