



# Davison CE High School for Girls

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## Whole School ~ Welcome Back!

**We were delighted to welcome back all of our students onto site last week** and I was extremely proud of the way in which students embraced their return to school. We have missed them and it is wonderful to see the school so full of life once more.

Students have approached Lateral Flow Device testing with maturity and our processes have worked really well. We know that our system has been effective over a number of weeks as our testing has unearthed a very small number of high viral loads and we have been able to take the appropriate measures to ensure optimal safety.

**Your support is vital in helping us continue to keep the Davison community safe and I would like to thank you for all that you are doing during these different times.** By working together we can ensure that Davison remains a safe, supportive place for your daughter to flourish.

We appreciate everything that you have been doing to keep your daughter engaged and committed to her schoolwork during lockdown. We are very proud of the way in which our students have engaged with their remote learning and have continued to do their best when either working from home or on-site.

This leads me onto the fact that **I am delighted to be able to share with you the news that Davison CE High School for Girls has won Frog Education's 'Great Engagement with Remote Learners Award' in The Real World Learning recognition awards** and this is testament to the whole Davison community doing their very best in these most challenging of times.

I am incredibly proud to be the Headteacher of a school whose students, staff and parent/carers community work together to ensure that Davison girls have a future ahead of them which realises their full potential.

**Chris Keating, Headteacher**





**We will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 19 March 2021 to raise funds for Comic Relief and the Friends of Davison School ~ FODS, our school's PTA.**

Full details can be found [here](#) and in the schoolcomms message sent home on 08.03.21.

We want to maximise the enjoyment of this day by encouraging students and staff to wear something fun! Such as wearing spots and stripes together, colours that clash or long brightly coloured socks over their trousers and especially clothing which is red in colour.

If your daughter chooses to wear non-uniform we ask you to make a minimum £1.00 donation by 19th March please. Payments can be made through WisePay only (no cash payments), which can be accessed [here](#) or through our school website. After logging in to WisePay please select 'Tickets and Events', 'Non-Uniform Day'. If you require any help with WisePay, you will find a useful page of FAQs [here](#) or on our school website under the section, Letters & Forms. Alternatively, you can email [payments@davisonhigh.school](mailto:payments@davisonhigh.school)

Please can we ask for your help in maintaining the spirit of fundraising by making sure your daughter considers the following:

- Students who have PE on this day, must wear clothing which allows them to participate appropriately in their PE lesson, this includes wearing PE trainers
- Jewellery/make-up/nail polish are in line with school policy
- No bare midriffs
- No dyed or coloured sprayed hair
- The usual classroom equipment i.e. pens, pencils etc. are brought into school

**Thank you for your support with our fundraising efforts**



Dedicated charity of



**Our Head Girl and the Senior and Deputy Prefect Team want to support and thank our amazing NHS and all they do for us, especially the hospitals in our community.**

The Prefect Team are going to raise funds by holding an Easter Eggstravaganza Raffle for 'Love Your Hospital', the dedicated charity for the three hospitals that make up Western Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust - St Richard's Hospital in Chichester, Worthing Hospital and Southlands Hospital in Shoreham.

**The Prefects are hoping for donations of chocolate eggs no matter how big or small from parents, carers and Davion staff.** So far, the prefects have donated 30 eggs themselves!

**If you would like to donate an Easter Egg** please ask your daughter to take it to reception. Raffle tickets will be on sale from Friday 19 March through Wisespay at £1.00 each. **The draw will be on Wednesday 31 March. Thank you for your support.**

Although postponed for a year due to the pandemic, **the 'Turning Tides' Skydive is booked for April 25 2021!** This event will only take place if government regulations and guidelines in place at the time permit this.



The Army Parachute Association will ensure the event adheres to all guidelines in place at the time and that all processes on the day are Covid-secure. Should we still be in lockdown measures, there is another jump scheduled for 28 August 2021.

**For further information or to register please contact Turning Tides directly**  
<https://www.turning-tides.org.uk/our-events/>



**Thank you FODS for making a wish a reality!**

We would like to say a huge 'thank you' to our schools amazing PTA Team ~ FODS, who raised an outstanding £13,500 towards a new Long Jump Pit! We know a great deal of hard work, time and energy has gone into raising these funds. A long jump pit has been on the PE departments wish list for several years, we are very excited to have the opportunity to have one installed.

There are many Athletes in school who frequently win at local and county Athletics competitions. We also have students who are county and/or regional champions in both long jump and triple jump. This will be a fantastic training facility for them as well as providing an excellent new opportunity for all students in their PE lessons.

We have our fingers crossed for the Summer term when students can get back out on the sports field and get the long jump pit up and running.

**This facility will be used for many years to come, thank you FODS for making a wish a reality!**

**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.**





**Did you know, whenever you buy anything online, from your weekly shop to car insurance, fashion items to homeware, take-aways to birthday gifts you could be raising free donations for our school, without costing you a penny extra!**

Davison CE High School for Girls, PTA ~ the Friends of Davison School ~ FODS, are registered with easyfundraising, the UK's biggest charity cashback platform.

Easyfundraising turns your everyday online shopping into free donations for your favourite 'cause' ~ that's us!

What a fantastic way to raise money for our school! So far, we have 59 parents/carers, staff, friends and family supporters who have raised £140 in free donations for our school!

**There are no catches or hidden charges and it's easy to join ~ please read the testimonial below from a Y10 parent:**

"I was reading the latest parent bulletin when I came across the article by the FODS Team about using 'easyfundraising' to help raise money for the school. I signed up to it and just thought I would share with other parents/carers how safe, quick and easy it is to use. It took no time at all to sign into the app, I ordered some flowers to be delivered to my mum and knew FODS would receive a free donation from the retailer I had used to buy the flowers from. The fact that FODS is receiving free money from all the 'easyfundraising' online shops without costing us a penny is amazing! If you haven't signed up to it yet, follow the links on the parent bulletin page or the Davison hub and do your bit to raise free money for our school. It won't cost you anything at all but the girls at Davison will gain loads from it! ~ Thank you"

When shopping online through easyfundraising, you will find over 4,000 retailers who will donate to our school, such as, Argos, eBay, Nike, Asos, M&S, John Lewis, Trainline, Curry's, Microsoft Store, Just Eat, Dominos and Waitrose.

You can also raise large donations of up to £60 when you buy insurance, broadband, utilities and mobile contracts with retailers like Aviva, Sky, Vodafone, uSwitch and BT. It will not cost you anything extra because the retailers pay the donation, not you the shopper.

**Easyfundraising is trusted by over 140,000 good causes in the UK, including thousands of PTAs, and has a 4.7 star rating on Trustpilot.**

**This is a brilliant way of raising funds consistently alongside FODS fundraising events, which have been on hold due to the current situation.**

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 to sign up and start raising free donations for our school every time you shop on line through easyfundraising.



### 'Hug in the Post' is a fantastic success!

The Community Prefects new fundraising initiative 'Hug in the Post' spread happiness whilst raising funds for their charity of the year 'Turning Tides'.

A 'Hug in the Post' was a gift of a hot chocolate and mini Jammie Dodger biscuits, sent through the post in envelopes beautifully decorated by the Community Prefects and Davison Staff.



This 'hug' also included a specially designed postcard with a mindfulness image for the 'hug' recipient to colour in. **We would like to say a big thank you to Burton's Biscuit Company for sponsoring the biscuits. Congratulations prefects for raising an incredible £624.75 for local homeless charity 'Turning Tides'!**



**British Heart Foundation**

Our **wonderfully creative teacher Mrs Green**, handmade 50 beautiful hearts which Davison colleagues purchased in aid of the charity, the British Heart Foundation. **Thank you to everyone who bought a heart and well-done Mrs Green on raising £50 for the British Heart Foundation!**

**Our annual prayer week is this week, 15~19 March.**

Our theme for this year is up/in/out. Students are exploring what it means to pray and are taking part in a range of creative prayer activities.

**Up In Out**

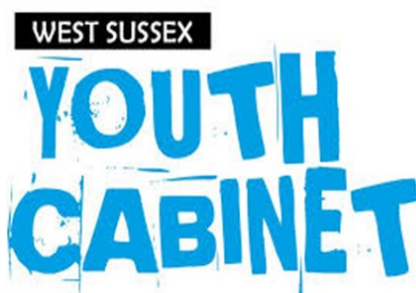
KEEP PRAYING.  
BEING WATCHFUL AND THANKFUL.



We hope that you and your daughter are finding our weekly wellbeing bulletins interesting and helpful in these differing times. We would welcome any feedback, suggestions and ideas for future editions.

Please contact Mrs Jameson  
[c.jameson@davisonhigh.school](mailto:c.jameson@davisonhigh.school)

## Davison win a Gold Democracy Award in the Youth Cabinet and UK Youth Parliament elections in March 2020



Davison students took part in the West Sussex Youth Cabinet elections. Pupils were voting for students to represent Adur and Worthing area.

During form time/colour time, students were given the opportunity to read each of the candidate's manifesto and then voted online.

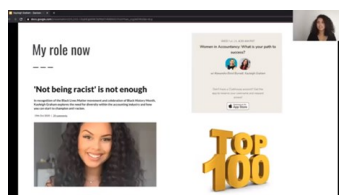
**National Careers Week at Davison a great success** with amazing engagement from our students and inspiring talks delivered by our speakers!

Please read the students feedback on all the talks [here](#), this gives a great overview of the positive impact the week had on our students.



Julia's comment, following the Yr7 talk from the THALES group, really sums up why Careers Education is essential in school, and why our curriculum areas are building links with industry. Together we are demystifying why the students are at school learning what they are!

***I think it is amazing that [THALES] go and speak to schools and open our minds about the world out there because we are in our little school bubbles (not because of Covid) and sometimes is hard to explain to myself: why am I doing this? OK I have to do it but why? Where all this work is taking me to. Feedback of the week from a Yr7 student to THALES Group.***



All of the recordings can be watched via FROG. **The can be found here: FROG/ Digital Hub Planner/Careers Advise and Guidance/#NCW2021.**

**Our Young Enterprise company** is now over half way through the programme and have been working hard throughout the lockdown attending weekly online meetings with their Business Adviser and brainstorming how to continue to trade in the current climate.

Since the beginning of this year they have completed their Business Plan and attended a Dragons Den Zoom event organised by Young Enterprise. The students were a credit to the school and were complimented by the judges both on their confidence and how sustainable their products and brand were.

**ReFabricate make accessories and fashion items sustainably from recycled fabrics. 'Our products are the perfect gift, check out our Instagram @re.fabricate for more information and pictures of our products'.**



**Staff and students enjoyed participating in a variety of activities, events and competitions to mark British Science Week 2021.**

**Did you know** that if you took all the empty space out of the atoms that make us, you could fit the entire human race into the volume of a sugar cube and that sugar cube would have the same mass as the entire human race?

**That's how amazing Science is. No wonder it's got its own week!**

Mr Hallworth, Head of Science



## Blue Peter Badges for Ruthie McGrath, 8 Silver and Molly Davies, 9 Green

Both Ruthie and Molly were awarded Blue Peter Badges for their amazing efforts during lockdown. Read on to find out more...



During the first lockdown, I made rainbow magnets for every house in my road, 14 in total. I also made cream teas for my Grandad and an elderly lady from our church so that they could celebrate VE day, even though I couldn't be with them. Shortly after this, I was awarded my blue peter badge! **Ruthie McGrath, 8 Silver**



This badge is about being eco-friendly and what you are doing to help the environment. For my application I made a homemade bird feeder from an empty water bottle, a spoon, and some string. I also made a hamster cage out of two, old plastic storage tubs, some mesh wiring, and some duct tape. The cage is still standing today. I decided to apply for a blue peter badge when my DT teacher, Mrs Green, told us about them in class. She mentioned that they were difficult to get so I thought I would set myself the challenge of getting one. About a month later I received my green blue peter badge! **Molly Davies, 9 Green**



**Betsy Carter, 8 Silver won the Design Ventura Mini Challenge** in January run by The Design Museum in London Her amazing personal idea of a hug design wowed the in house designers.

**Holly Lee, 11 Yellow, was nominated for a BAFTA for youth gaming.** Holly had to design a gaming concept and she was one of 11 young people nationally to be recognised. Sadly, Holly didn't win but she now receives mentoring in the gaming industry, and we have no doubt she will be a successful game creator in the future!

**Sky Cook, 10 Blue and GCSE Dancer is a Youth Dance Ambassador for the Advancing Women in Arts charity,** which just celebrated its first birthday! Sky applied and was successful in gaining her position working alongside the Charity and 2 other youth ambassadors nationally.



## MFL and DT Bag Design Competition

In the MFL and DT departments we challenged Year 8 to come up with a design for a tote bag that reflected the culture of a country of the world. They could have taken their inspiration from the food, the landscape, the language, art or music of that country and then represented it in their design.

**We were really impressed with the diverse and wonderful entries to the competition and had great fun looking at the designs.**

**After careful consideration we have chosen our top three.**



**1st Place**  
**Emmylou Crozer 8 Green**



**2nd Place**  
**Florence Cole 8 Orange**



**3rd Place**  
**Evelyn Vickers-Currey 8 Red**

All entrants will receive a certificate and a positive SIM, third place 3 positive SIMS, second 5 positive SIMS.

**Emmylou will have her design printed onto a tote bag, courtesy of Mrs Green, as well as receiving 10 positive SIMS. Congratulations!**



**Davison CE High School for Girls 1st in the 'Sprit of the Games' for all secondary schools in Sussex and overall 'Active Adult' winners!**

Staff and pupils at Davison CE High School for Girls took part in the Sussex Schools Virtual Games throughout February.

Overall Southern had nearly 12,500 entries in the Winter Games from 58 schools, which made up nearly 34% of the entries countywide. It was great to see such a dedicated contribution from Davison students and staff who remained engaged throughout the four weeks.

That hard work and dedication paid off and Davison CE High School for Girls came 1st in the 'Sprit of the Games' for all secondary schools in Sussex and overall 'Active Adult' winners!

**A huge well done and a big thank you to everyone who took part!**

**PE clubs will be starting up again after Easter. Please keep an eye out in the next few weeks for how to sign up. Details will be sent home as per the rest of this year.**

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

**January** ~ Hannah Williamson 09 Orange, Charlotte Cook 09 Silver, Madison Bibby 09 Purple, Hannah Matula 07 Silver, Hannah Currell 09 Green, Olana Procter-Mitchell 08 Yellow, Alice Howie 08 White, Molly Davis 09 Green, Mya Mackrell 07 Blue, Taish Satur 07 Gold.

**February** ~ Eve Mudie 08 Red, Daisy Adhangle 08 Silver, Evelyn Vickers-Currey 08 Red, Molly Davies 09 Green, Meili Nightingale 09 Blue, Tamzyne Bridge 09 Silver, Mia Fuller 08 Red, Ava Scannell 09 Silver, Imogen Hunt 09 Purple, Lilia Wakelin 09 Purple.

## **Congratulations to the Top Ten myON readers who read the most books for the months of January and February**

**January** ~ Jenna Molineaux 7 Orange 85 books, Madeleine Frame 7 Orange 72 books, Florence Buck 8 Green 45 books, Josna Joby 7 Red 37 books, Ellie Mullane 8 Silver 32 books, Orinta Gumuliauskaite 7 Pink 29 books, Talia Jacobs 8 Blue 28 books, Emilia Pawlus 9 Yellow 24 books, Yuvhasini Katti 9 White 22 books, Kulsuma Fahmida 7 Purple 22 books.

**February** ~ Florence Buck 8 Green 194 books, Josna Joby 7 Red 95 books, Amelia Stedman 7 Gold 50 books, Victoria Bamidele 7 Blue 41 books, Molly Davies 9 Green 39 books, Jenna Molineaux 7 Orange 38 books, Roslen Bamidele 9 Blue 29 books, Sky Venn 8 Orange 26 books, Chloe Chambers 9 Gold 24 books, Victoria Hubbert 7 Gold 23 books.

## **Fuel Hardship Grant Information for Families**

Financial support is available for families who are struggling to pay their bills this winter. The County Council is working with Citizens Advice to offer a DWP Covid Winter Grant Scheme for families in need across West Sussex.

The online referral/ application form can be accessed [here](#)

You can also email referrals/ applications to [grants@westsussexcab.org.uk](mailto:grants@westsussexcab.org.uk)

**The closing date for this funding is 31 March 2021.**

The grant can be used for a range of things, from paying gas, electric and water bills, boiler repairs, purchasing blankets, slow cookers, heaters. Other help may be mobile phone top ups, energy advice, benefit checks referrals for specialist debt advice.

The criteria for who can apply is broad and includes;

- Families who have had to claim Universal Credit and don't have significant savings
- Families on Universal Credit, home schooling and worried about heating their home
- Families in debt and struggling to pay their gas or other bills
- Care leavers on a low income
- People with disabilities who are worried about putting their heating on.

For any queries, enquiries or if you have difficulty applying, please contact us.

## 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.

**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. 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.

**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](mailto: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.**



**Spring Term 2021 ~ Monday 4 January to Thursday 1 April**

**Half Term: Monday 15 February to Friday 19 February**

**Summer Term 2021 ~ Monday 19 April to Friday 23 July**

**Half Term: Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June**

**INSET DAY ~ Friday 30 April**

**BANK HOLIDAY ~ Monday 3 May**

**Early school closure to prepare for Year 8 Subject Consultation Evening on Thursday 29 April and Year 10 Subject Consultation Evening on Thursday 10 June.**

**Terms end for all students at 12.30pm on Friday 23 July**

School Term and Holiday dates for 2020/21 and 2021/22 are now 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](#).

## **Year 7**

*Dates for your diary ...*

**Thursday 4 March ~ Year 7 Subject Consultation Evening**

## **Year 8**

*Dates for your diary ...*

**Thursday 1 April ~ HPV vaccinations**

**Thursday 29 April ~ Year 8 Subject Consultation Evening**

## **Year 9**

*Dates for your diary ...*

**Thursday 1 April ~ HPV vaccinations**

## Year 10

*Dates for your diary ...*

**Thursday 10 June** ~ Year 10 Subject Consultation Evening

**w/c Monday 14 June** ~ Year 10 Mock Exam Week (tbc due to current restrictions):

**Year 10 'virtual' World of Work Week (onsite) 17 ~ 21 May**

**After the Easter holidays**, your daughter will start studying Macbeth by William Shakespeare in preparation for her GCSE Literature exam. You will soon be receiving a letter detailing how you can purchase a copy of the text through the English department. The CPG edition contains really helpful notes and annotations, as well as contextual information.

## Year 11

*Dates for your diary ...*

**19 ~ 30 April** ~ On-site Assessment One

**17 ~ 27 May** ~ Onsite Assessment Two

**Friday 28 May** ~ Leaving Event

**Thursday 12 August** ~ GCSE Results Day

### **We haven't forgotten about the Class of 2021 Prom!**

Our Prom Team along with Mr Keating and Mrs Bird are currently liaising with the Hilton Avisford Park Hotel to agree on a date when we think it will be safe to go ahead with this event.

The date in the diary is Friday 25 June however this is very close to restrictions (hopefully) being lifted and should this not go to plan we do not want to risk disappointing our students.

We are in discussions to possibly rearrange the date so please bear with us we will be in contact with you as soon as it is decided.

Many thanks for your patience, we really do understand what a big event this is for lots of our leavers so watch this space.....

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however, details may be subject to change*