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Whole School

Welcome to the first Parent Bulletin of 2022 ~ we wish you and your families a very happy and healthy 2022.

A new year often brings change and last week we said a sad goodbye to our wonderful Community Manager, Mrs Bunyard, who leaves us for pastures new after nineteen years of service. Many of you will have come to know Mrs Bunyard well in her seven years as Community Manager, for her role within the Friends of Davison School (FODS) PTA, and her passion to inspire fundraising for the school and the wider community.

""Farewells are never easy, however, I leave grateful and blessed to have had the opportunity and joy to have worked with and get to know so many truly amazing students, families, colleagues, FODS, charities and community groups.

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have spent my working hours at a school in the 'heart' of our community. Thank you all for the camaraderie, support, happy times and countless raffles and fundraising events you have supported! I have loved every second of it and will always have a deep appreciation and gratitude to my Davison Family" **Mrs Bunyard**

As one chapter closes, another one opens and we are delighted to introduce you to Ms Collins, our newly appointed Community and Marketing Manager.

We send Mrs Bunyard our thanks and very best wishes and we wish Ms Collins every success in her new role.



Mrs Bunyard (left) and Ms Collins (right)

"Congratulations and best wishes to Ms Collins, she is a remarkable person and will be a fantastic Community & Marketing Manager."

Mrs Bunyard and the Davison Family





In December we held a 'Non School Uniform Day' to support 'Worthing Food Foundation' and the 'Friends of Davison School' ~ whose latest fundraising project, is to purchase board games and activities for our school.

'Worthing Food Foundation' are a non-referral food service who supply food as well as other essentials to people and families in our community who are in need. 'Worthing Food Foundation' www.worthingfoodfoundation.org.uk/ gifted 250 Christmas stockings for children in our community. Your generosity meant that we were able to purchase 250 of the following items to help fill each of the stockings: bags of chocolate coins, bags of sweets and bars of chocolate.

We raised an incredible £1,043.50 which was shared between Worthing Food Foundation and FODS \sim thank you to everyone who supported us!



The Community Prefects held a Christmas themed cake sale in December to raise funds towards a 'Gaming Cart' for the children's ward at 'Worthing Hospital'.

They raised £62.50 ~ thank you! www.loveyourhospital.org

Our Community Prefects fantastic fundraising talent show 'Encore!' is back! Auditions are the week commencing Monday 24 January. Sign-up sheets are outside the Community Office.

All money raised will go towards buying a new gaming cart for the children's ward at Worthing Hospital.



WEDNESDAY 2" MARCH 2022
6.15pm - 8.30pm
IN THE SCHOOL HALL
TICKETS £3.00 EACH
ALL PROCEEDS RAISED FROM ENCORE!
WILL GO TO THE LOCAL CHARITY
'LOVE YOUR HOSPITAL'
TO BUY A GAMING CART
FOR THE CHILDREN'S WARD AT
WORTHING HOSPITAL



Thank you to those of you who have signed up and raised funds through easyfundraising, we now have 92 supporters! Please do take the time to sign up with easyfundraising, especially for your online Christmas 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, is it time for a New Year clear out of your cupboards and drawers?

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.





A unique tree planting initiative created to mark the Platinum Jubilee in 2022 "Plant a Tree for the Jubilee". With a focus on planting sustainably, the QGC will encourage planting of trees to create a legacy in honour of The Queen's leadership of the Nation, which will benefit future generations.

We took delivery of a large batch of trees from the Woodland Trust and offered families the chance to apply for one and plant in a garden. We have had 100 applications for the trees and the first 50 families have been contacted and were invited to collect their tree in December. The trees are all British native species, silver birch, rowan, wild cherry, hazel, blackthorn, hawthorn and oak. The remaining 50 families will be contacted as soon as we have taken delivery of the next batch of trees.

Many thanks to everyone who applied for a tree and we would love to see pictures of the trees that have been planted so far.

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

Elizabeth Barnard 07 Silver, Hannah Cheesman 07 Silver, Isobel Pope 09 Red, Victoria Agastra 07 Blue, Samantha Murr 07 Red, Mollie Wheeler 08 Yellow, Lara Ungan 08 Pink, Lorelei Taylor 08 Pink, Eloisa Johnson 09 Silver, Ivy Punyer 07 Gold.

A huge 'well done' to Julie Walsh, 8 Silver, who has had an incredible running season.

In last month's bulletin we shared Julie's gold medal success at the Southern Inter-counties XC race. Julie has since qualified to run for the U13 Sussex team in March at the National cross-country championships in Loughborough.

What an incredible achievement!





Congratulations to Annie Kingshott, 10GR, who has been selected to represent Arundel and Littlehampton Scouts District at the World International Jamboree in South Korea in 2023! Annie had a whole day Zoom selection process and was accepted as an outstanding candidate. We are so proud!

Congratulations to Georgia Glover, 7 Red, who has been selected to be part of the U12 Sussex Schools Football squad. Good luck to Georgia for the season ahead!

A great start to the Year 7 Football league with a 10 - 0 win against Shoreham Academy.

A brilliant performance by all members of the squad in tricky weather conditions. There are 4 more games to play in the league, so fingers crossed for more wins!



Back at the start of December our Cross Country teams took part in the annual District Schools Cross Country event in Lancing. This event has not been run for a couple of years, so it was good to get our runners back in action and they really did us proud!

The Year 7 Team represented us for the 1st time brilliantly and took the overall winning team spot. Next up were the Year 8 and 9 team, with Julie Walsh smashing the competition to finish 1st. The rest of the team were also fantastic and came 2nd overall. Finally, the year 10 and 11 team hit the field. Cerys West led the way finishing in 1st, with her team following closely behind to also finish 1st overall!



Year 10 and 11 Team



Julie Walsh ~ Winner Year 8



Cerys West ~ Winner Year 11

With such an amazing result we look forward to the next event later this month, where year 8-11 compete in the Sussex Cross Country Event in Brighton. A massive well done to all involved, we are really proud of you!



I would like to introduce myself as the newly appointed Careers and Work Experience Coordinator. For the past 5 years I have worked in the main school office with the wonderful Reception team. It is now my privilege to continue the careers programme created by my predecessor Mrs Wood. I am really looking forward to working with you and our students.



Mrs Rachel Parnell - Careers & Work Experience Coordinator



National Apprenticeship Week 7 ~ 13 February (whole school initiative)

The theme for #NAW2022 is 'Build the Future', We will be celebrating across school through subject related activities, assemblies, virtual presentations from employers, and testimonials from apprentices. We will also be welcoming a colleague from the ASK programme to deliver an apprenticeship registration session for Yr11 students interested in an apprenticeship.



Year 10 Work Experience Week 6 ~ 10 June

Watch this space ~ further information and paperwork will be sent to parents/ carers and students later this month. Look out for emails and information on the careers page in FROG.

Tews

Community The YMCA and the OneStop Youth Employment Hub have joined forces to offer a space for young people to connect and be heard.

NEXT GEN is a youth group where there are no wrong answers. They want to hear what the young people in Adur and Worthing have to say. This group is for young people aged 11-25 and will run every third Thursday in the month from 5pm to 7pm at the OneStop Youth Employment Hub at 24 Marine Place, Worthing, BN11 3DN. The first session, and Launch Party, is on Thursday 20th January. For more information <u>click here</u>.

If you or your child would like any further information on the above or have any question please pop along and see me (the Careers office is n the LRC) or email me <u>careers@davisonhigh.school</u>

Mrs Rachel Parnell - Careers & Work Experience Coordinator

Thank you for continuing to undertake twice-weekly LFD testing and supporting the return to face coverings in order to do all that we can to contain the spread of the virus.

Please continue to report your LFD test results via the <u>government website</u> and report any positive LFD and PCR test results to us using the email address <u>covid19@davisonhigh.school</u>

Face Coverings on Public Transport

A reminder that it is now mandatory to wear a face covering on public transport. Please continue to respect the wishes of Govia Thameslink Railway, by wearing



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



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.

Join our Alumnae of past students and spread the word! Please sign up using this <u>link</u>.



Studybugs 🕫

We would like to remind you to use the 'studybugs' app when reporting your child's absence from school.

Study bugs can also be used to notify us if your child has a medical appointment. 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.

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-alist-of-local-organisations-providing-support.

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.

Full details of the School Uniform Policy are on our website and further information can be accessed via this link

The School Governors have approved that a navy blue tailored trouser be permitted as an alternative to the school skirt. The trouser must be a regulation item which displays the school logo. It can be purchased from our official uniform suppliers **Broadwater Sports** or **First4Uniform** No alternative to the regulation item will be accepted and this decision will be reviewed annually.

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

Please could you remind your daughter ...

NOT to bring aerosols (for example, perfume, deodorants) into school or on school trips. Inhaling chemicals from the aerosols can cause allergic skin reactions, nausea, headaches, asthma and breathing difficulties for many of our staff and students. If your daughter is found to be in possession of an aerosol in school or on a school trip, the item will be confiscated and made available for your collection from Reception.

To avoid bringing food items into school that contain nuts, as we have members of our school community who have severe nut allergies.

We welcome your support in protecting the health and wellbeing of **all** our school community and thank you, in advance, for your understanding in this matter.

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.

Spring Term 2022 ~ Tuesday 4 January to Friday 8 April

EARLY CLOSURE ~ Thursday 20 January for Year 9 Consultation Evening

EARLY CLOSURE ~ Thursday 3 March for Year 7 Consultation Evening

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

EARLY CLOSURE ~ Thursday 9 June for Year 8 Consultation Evening

TERM ENDS AT 12.30pm ~ Thursday 21 July

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 ...

Monday 24 January ~ Covid Vaccinations (1st/2nd dose for students with permission)

Thursday 10 February ~ Year 7 FODS Film and PJ Afternoon

Thursday 3 March ~ Year 7 Subject Consultation Evening (early closure)

Thursday 24 March ~ Year 7 Interform Musical Theatre

Year 8

Dates for your diary ...

Thursday 20 January ~ HPV Vaccinations

Monday 24 January ~ Covid Vaccinations (1st/2nd dose for students with permission)

Thursday 9 June ~ Year 8 Subject Consultation Evening (early closure)

w/c Monday 27 June ~ Year 8 Exams Week

Year 9

KS4 options selection is now open!

Year 9 students are invited to make their option choices between now and 4pm on Wednesday 2 February, after which time no further changes can be made.

More information can be viewed on our website <u>here</u> and you are invited to attend the virtual options information evening on **Thursday 27 January**.

KS4 options information by subject is available to view on our website and is accessible via this link.

Dates for your diary ...

Thursday 20 January ~ HPV Vaccinations

Thursday 20 January ~ Year 9 Subject Consultation Evening (early closure)

Monday 24 January ~ Covid Vaccinations (1st/2nd dose for students with permission)

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

Wednesday 2 February at 4pm ~ Options online closes to students

w/c Monday 14 March ~ Year 9 Exams Week

Tuesday 28 June ~ Teenage Booster Vaccinations

Year 10

Prefect Applications for Year 10 have opened!

Students have been assigned the link on FROG and the **deadline for receipt of applications is Friday 28 January at 8pm**.

Students will be able to view a short 'explainer' video on the application form.

Please encourage your daughter to apply should she wish to do so.

Dates for your diary ...

Monday 24 January ~ Covid Vaccinations (1st/2nd dose for students with permission)

Friday 28 January ~ Deadline for receipt of Prefect applications

Thursday 10 February ~ Year 10 Apprenticeship Event

Thursday 28 April ~ Year 10 Subject Consultation Evening (early closure)

w/c Monday 6 June ~ Work Experience Week

The Science Department is running a Year 10 and 11 Homework Club every Wednesday lunchtime in SC2. iPads will be available to use. These sessions are aimed at giving students a quiet space to complete homework in school and to offer support when needed. Please pop along and see us.

Year 11

Dates for your diary ...

Wednesday 5 to Friday 21 January ~ Mock Exams

Monday 24 January ~ Covid Vaccinations (1st/2nd dose for students with permission) **Friday 11 February** ~ Mock Results Day

Friday 25 March ~ 'Save the Date' Davison CE High School for Girls 'SleepOut' fundraising event

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PE Clubs Spring Term 2022

click here

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