



# Davison CE High School for Girls

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## Whole School

**A warm welcome to our first Parent Bulletin in this new academic year.** I am delighted to announce that our new and existing students have settled extremely well into their studies. *C. Keating, Headteacher*

**We would welcome your support of our Open Mornings in September ~ please do encourage friends, relatives and neighbours with daughters in Year 6 to visit Davison** at 9am on either Wednesday 18 September, Thursday 19 September, Friday 20 September, Monday 23 September or Tuesday 24 September ~ thank you.

We look forward to **welcoming prospective new students and their parents at our Open Evening on Tuesday 1 October from 5.30pm to 8pm** ~ your daughter may be invited to attend and talk with our visitors. **Please note that on Tuesday 1 October we will be running five slightly shorter lessons for your daughter in order to enable us to finish early ~ 2pm ~ and prepare for Open Evening.** Wednesday 2 October is an INSET day.

**The Governing Body of Davison CE High School for Girls has vacancies for three Parent Governors this term.** Letters and self-nomination forms have been given to your daughter to take home. [Please click here](#) or go to our website [www.davison.w-sussex.sch.uk](http://www.davison.w-sussex.sch.uk), About Davison, [Governors](#) to read about the role and download the nomination form.



### **Your daughter is invited to enter our Davison Eco Sculpture Competition!**

We need a constant daily reminder at Davison to reduce, reuse, recycle, rethink, and repurpose what we use. We have over 500 plastic bottle and eco bricks and more coming in daily! We have the back of the school field to position the sculpture where

students can see it, touch it, be around it. **What can your daughter design?** [Please click here for full details of this competition.](#) Entries to Mrs Green in DT2 by Friday 25 October ~ 1<sup>st</sup> prize of £20, involvement in the making of the sculpture, name on a plaque and SIM points!

**Is your daughter going on our fabulous [West End residential trip](#) next month? ~ if so, you are warmly invited to a meeting at the school on Friday 27 September at 5pm.** At this meeting you will be given further information about the itinerary, what to pack for your daughter, ask any questions you wish and return the completed medical forms. We look forward to seeing you!



**We will be celebrating European Day of Languages at Davison on Thursday 26 September** ~ your daughter will be invited to dress appropriately on the day, taste some European food in The Diner and take part in competitions. Full information will be delivered in assemblies.

**The 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning' is on Friday 27 September** ~ we will be fundraising in aid of the charity [Macmillan Cancer Support](#) ~ the Gold Family, Community Prefect and Senior Prefect teams will be running this event for our students and staff to enjoy at morning break time. If you would like to support their fundraising efforts by donating cakes, please send in your contribution on Friday 27 September to Mrs Bunyard in the Community Office ~ thank you!



**Harvest Assemblies will be held on Wednesday 23 and Thursday 24 October** ~ we will be sharing our Harvest donations between two charities; [Turning Tides](#) and [Off The Fence](#). A letter will be given to your daughter to take home shortly with information about the charities and donation ideas.



**GHANA  
2019**



'I struggle to put Ghana into words with how amazing I found it! But I can say that it was an opportunity that has helped me develop key skills for my future, with the independence we took in having leading roles in the trip, and the confidence it has given me to speak with people I don't know. It also opened up my eyes to a world that I only knew about through writing and photographs. I got to see it without others' opinions and prejudices and it has made me grateful for what I have. As well as this, it has made me want to do more to help in the future, whether with fundraising or actively working, as we are all so lucky for the position we are in, when others are in need'. *Anna Owen, Head Girl*

**You are warmly invited to FODS (Friends of Davison School) AGM ~ 6.30pm on Tuesday 12 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 continued fundraising efforts greatly benefit our school. If you would like to attend the AGM, please email [n.bunyard@davisonhigh.school](mailto:n.bunyard@davisonhigh.school) 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 the Community Manager, Nimie Bunyard.

**FODS Wonderful Winter Fayre is on Friday 29 November 6.30pm-8.30pm** ~ this whole school event is a great start to the festive season so please pop the date in your diary ... further details to follow!

**We are proud to have supported the locally based charity [Link to Hope](#) with their 'Shoebbox Appeal' for the past 19 years** ~ during Year assemblies last week, your daughter will have had the opportunity to learn how *Link to Hope* support people living in Eastern Europe to rebuild their lives and communities. **[You will have received a schoolcomms information email](#)** with a suggested items list~ we kindly ask for one item and 20p, which will go towards transporting the Shoeboxes ~ thank you for your support with this appeal.



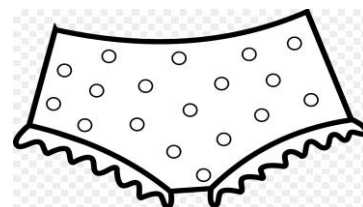
**In July, the PE department were very lucky to have staff from the 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment Royal Artillery come in to work with students in their PE lessons.** The aims of the day were to develop team work, problem solving and communication. Students were able to try out various different challenges ~ physical and mental ~ as well as look at some of the specialised

equipment the regiment uses. **Well done to Eloise Wells (now Year 11) who suggested the idea and made initial contact with the army.**

**Thank you for your support of [Smalls for All](#).**

**We are thrilled to announce that we have collected 146 bras and 200 pairs of pants for the Smalls for All Appeal.** It has given back dignity and will make SUCH a difference to women and children in Africa. Why have we collected them? The Freedom from Fistula Foundation and Kenya Children's Homes say:

*'we see so many women and children who literally come to us with nothing or the clothes they wear are so filthy they have to be burned. Some women who, through no fault of their own, have experienced prolonged labour, lost their babies as a result of this, and then found themselves incontinent. The impact of providing underwear is far greater than just handing over something that we very much take for granted.'*





**Davison Annual Sports Day was held on Tuesday 2 July ~ we were very lucky with the weather as the sun shone all day.** As

always, those participating displayed great determination, perseverance and did their Colour families proud! The crowd and staff involved in supporting this event created a great celebratory atmosphere that continued all day long. Many long held

school records were broken ~ **congratulations to the following students for equalling or setting new school records: Amber Purcell (100m), Cerys West (800m, High Jump), Hope Yelling (High Jump), Izzy Charnock (High Jump), Katie Ridley (Long Jump) AND Freya Brennand (Discus).** For the first year we introduced Triple Jump ~ well done to all those students who took part in this event and created our first set of records. **Congratulations to the Pink Colour Family** who just pipped Gold into first place overall, followed closely by Purple in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. We also raised almost £200 with our Sport Day Raffle ~ thank you to all of the local businesses that supported our raffle by donating prizes. Thank you to everyone who organised and supported this event, including staff, current students and ex-students. It really was the best Sports Day ever!



**On Friday 5 of July, 600 students and staff took part in the Davison Colour Run take 2!** The event was an outstanding success with so many students keen and excited to get involved. This year we went a lot bigger and brighter with massive inflatables, more water obstacles and loads more colour. We were able to raise an incredible £5,000 which will be put towards IT equipment and other big projects in the PE Department.

**We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who got involved and hope you enjoyed the day as much as we did!**



**After a year of fundraising and hard work, our new Netball team kit has arrived!** The Netball team would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who helped them raise the money for their new dresses ~ if you bought a cake or a raffle ticket, were involved with the Colour run last July, and also our Year 11 Netball leavers ~ thank you! Here's to another great netball season!



**'Music of the Americas' is part of the GCSE Music curriculum ~ Year 10 and 11 students studying Music will be participating in a [Steel Pan Workshop](#) in November to learn the context, history and development of this genre through a practical session.** Students will learn

some techniques for playing steel pans, learn some pieces, have an opportunity to play all of the different parts and learn some of the background to Caribbean Music and Calypso. **If you would like your daughter to take part in this workshop and concert, [please return the reply slip](#) along with the voluntary payment by Wednesday 23 October.** Unfortunately, this activity will not proceed unless contributions cover the cost of the workshop.

**Students in Year 8 and Year 9 have been invited to attend a residential fieldtrip in Swanage in March 2020.** This is a wonderful opportunity to explore a range of geographical themes on the stunning Isle of Purbeck and study coastal processes, tourism, conservation, the management of sensitive areas and land use in an urban area. Students may also take part in archery, abseiling and other indoor and outdoor activities. The group will be staying in a purpose built education centre. Letters will be available on our website shortly.

**If you have recently made an on-line payment to the school, please be advised that you will be sent a confirmation e-mail when your payment has been successful,** and there is no need to call for further confirmation. Please be assured that we are processing payments as quickly as we can, but we have a very large volume to deal with at the start of the school year. In particular, if you have paid for a locker it may take a week from payment for this to be allocated to your daughter. Many thanks for your patience.

On a daily basis, many parents drop off forgotten items such as PE kits, homework, mobile phones, lunches, etc. **We are happy to keep such items in reception temporarily, until your daughter is free to collect them, however, we cannot promise to deliver items to students.** We are on a large site with over 1,300 students and do not have the capacity to offer a delivery service. Please use the start of the new school year to encourage your daughter to be organised with the correct items and equipment before leaving for school in the morning ~ many thanks for your support.



**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 CE High School is enrolled with The Giving Machine** ~ this is an on-line shopping site which is a unique registered charity that enables us to generate sales commission with every on-line purchase. The Giving Machine converts the commission into donations to schools and other causes and you are able to select Davison as the cause you would like your donation to go to. They work with over 1500 retailers/shopping sites including Amazon, E-bay, Next, Sainsburys, Tesco and Marks & Spencer, to name but a few. Please see their website: [:www.thegivingmachine.co.uk](http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk) for more information and how it works. **It is free to join and there are no hidden additional costs to you. Please help us by signing up and generating free donations every time you shop on-line via The Giving Machine.** The huge list of participating retailers is on their website. We will keep you informed of the total amount of donations received and thank you in anticipation of your support for Davison.

**Autumn Term 2019 ~ Tuesday 3 September 2019 to Friday 20 December 2019**  
*(Students will be dismissed at 12.30pm on the last day of term – Friday 20 December)*

**Open Mornings for Year 6 girls and their parents ~**  
**9-11am Wednesday 18 September, Thursday 19 September,**  
**Friday 20 September, Monday 23 September and Tuesday 24 September**  
*No need to book, just turn up at 9am!*

**Open Evening** ~ Tuesday 1 October

**INSET Days** ~ Wednesday 2 October and Friday 6 December

**Music Acoustic Concert** ~ Friday 18 October

**Half Term** ~ Monday 28 October to Friday 1 November

**Worthing Sings Live 2019 at the Assembly Hall ~ Wednesday 6 November ~ West Sussex Music** and the secondary schools of Worthing present an exciting evening of song, featuring a massed choir, individual school performances and a fabulous student band from **Northbrook MET**, celebrating the vocal and musical talent from across the town.

**Early school closure at 2pm to prepare for Year 11 Subject Consultation Evening on Thursday 7 November**

**FODS AGM** ~ Tuesday 12 November

**FODS Winter Fayre** ~ Friday 29 November

**Drama Evening** ~ Wednesday 4 December

**'Santa Run'** ~ Thursday 5 December

**Winter Concert** ~ Thursday 5 December

**Christmas Lunch in The Diner** ~ Wednesday 11 or Thursday 12 December

**Carol Service at St George's Church** ~ Monday 16 December

**School Term and Holiday dates for 2019/20 and 2020/21 are now on our website**  
 ~ [please click here](#) or go to [www.davison.w-sussex.sch.uk](http://www.davison.w-sussex.sch.uk), For Parents, School Calendar, and scroll down to the bottom of the page.

## Year 7

**Has your daughter got her ticket for the FODS Davison CE High School and St Andrews CE High School Year 7 'Freshers' Disco?** This fantastic event is on Thursday 26 September, 6.30pm to 8.30pm, at the Northbrook MET West Durrington Campus Theatre, Littlehampton Road, Goring-By-Sea, BN12 6NU ~ many thanks to parents/carers who have already purchased their daughter's ticket. Please may we remind you that the closing date for purchasing a ticket is this Friday ~ 20 September.



**FODS are extremely grateful to Broadwater Sports Embroidery Ltd for their sponsorship of the Year 7 Freshers' Disco 2019.** Broadwater Sports Embroidery Ltd supply hundreds of teams, businesses, colleges and schools with uniforms, sports kits, training wear and

equipment. Please visit <http://bse.uk.com/> or <http://www.schooljumpers.co.uk/> for details on all their products.

**On Wednesday 25 September or Thursday 26 September all Year 7 students will participate in a two hour session called 'Growing Up'.** The aims of the morning are to give age appropriate and accurate information about the developmental and emotional changes that take place during puberty as well the reasons for periods and how young students can best to look after themselves during their period. Whilst many students will have taken part in similar lessons at primary school, some will not have done so. We also know that there are still misconceptions and many of our young Year 7 students are anxious about how to cope with starting periods whilst at school. At no point during the morning will we teach about reproduction. The morning will be led by a team very experienced staff at Davison. More information will follow via email.

**At an Assembly last Friday, your daughter received information about how to learn a musical instrument.** If she was absent from the Assembly or you require any further information, please contact [s.mitchell@davisonhigh.school](mailto:s.mitchell@davisonhigh.school).

*Dates for your diary ...*

**Tuesday 17 September** ~ Year 7 Service of Welcome at St George's Church

**Wednesday 25 or Thursday 26 September** ~ Year 7 'Growing Up' session

**Thursday 26 September** ~ Year 7 Freshers' Disco at Northbrook College

**Thursday 3 October** ~ 6.30-7.30pm Year 7 Parents FROG Information Evening

**Tuesday 15 October** ~ Year 7 'Streetwise' Theatre Performance

**Wednesday 16 October** ~ '6 Weeks In' meeting for Parents and Form Tutors

**Tuesday 19 November ~ 6.30-8pm Year 7 Parents' Forum** ~ please advise if you will be attending and wish to discuss any particular topics by emailing:

[j.page@davisonhigh.school](mailto:j.page@davisonhigh.school)

**Thursday 5 March** ~ Year 7 Subject Consultation Evening

## Year 8

*Dates for your diary ...*

**Thursday 26 September** ~ 6.30-7.30pm Year 8 Parents FROG Information Evening

**Thursday 30 April** ~ Year 8 Subject Consultation Evening

## Year 9

The Drama Department have organised an exciting opportunity for Year 9 students to see the West End smash hit 'Peter Pan Goes Wrong' at the Theatre Royal in Brighton on Thursday 21 November. The members of the Cornley Polytechnic Drama Society are back on stage, battling technical

hitches, flying mishaps and cast disputes as they attempt to present J.M. Barrie's much-loved tale. But will they ever make it to Neverland? Comedy gold! Places are limited so we recommend securing a place for your daughter as soon as possible. [Click here for the letter on our website.](#)



**Year 9 students will be carrying out Geography Fieldwork on Worthing beach during September.** Their Geography teacher will let them know the time and date of the trip. Students will be investigating whether Worthing's coastal protection methods are effective and should come to school dressed in suitable outdoor clothes and a warm coat.



**We are delighted to offer students an exciting opportunity to visit the Costa Brava region in Spain in October 2020.** The trip is open to students in who will be in Year 10 and Year 11 and are studying Geography and/or Science. The Costa Brava region offers a fantastic opportunity to explore a range of geographical features and processes, including the volcanic landscape of La Garrotxa Natural Park and the unspoiled

waters of Tordera River, as well as the spectacular urban landscape of Barcelona. [Please click here](#) or go to our website to read the full details of the trip ~ [www.davison.w-sussex.sch.uk](http://www.davison.w-sussex.sch.uk), For Parents, Letters & Forms. **The deadline for this trip has been extended to Wednesday 25 September.**

*Dates for your diary ...*

**w/c Monday 16 September** ~ Year 9 Geography Fieldwork

**Thursday 10 October** ~ 6.30-7.30pm Year 9 Parents FROG Information Evening

**Thursday 23 January** ~ Year 9 Subject Consultation Evening



## Year 10

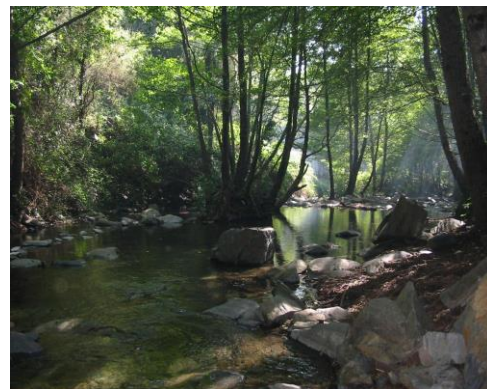
As part of their Media Studies course, students have been invited to experience and engage with **Jellyfish**, a worldwide advertising agency, at their office in the Shard on 27 September. This event is part of a national organised day called Advertising Unlocked ~ 'everything students and teachers need to know about a career in advertising will be on show and demonstrated by those working on some of the biggest ad campaigns around the globe'.

**All Year 10 students are currently seeking their Work Experience placement for March next year ~ please note that the deadline for securing their placement is Monday 23 September.** If your daughter has secured her placement, please ask her to let Mrs Christmas know, complete Form B and Form C (attaching a copy of her acceptance letter/email) and bring along to the Work Experience office in the LRC. **If your daughter is struggling to find somewhere**, please encourage her to meet with Mrs Christmas ~ to help with the process, she can complete Form A and bring this with her. All Forms can be found on FROG under Department Sites, Personal Development, Work Experience.

'Thank you to all who spoke to me at the KS4 Induction Evening ~ it was lovely to meet you.' Mrs Christmas, Work Experience Coordinator

As part of their KS4 course, Year 10 students studying Travel & Tourism will be visiting Thorpe Park early in October, to gather information for their coursework and to give them an understanding of how visitor attractions have developed.

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*Dates for your diary ...*

**Wednesday 16 October** ~ trip to Adur & Worthing Careers Fair

**w/c Monday 4 November** ~ Year 10 Geography Fieldwork

**Thursday 4 June** ~ Year 10 Subject Consultation Evening

## **Year 11**

**Please see the last two pages of this Bulletin for the 2019 College Open Evenings and Days.**

**Year 11 students studying GCSE Geography will be carrying out their GCSE fieldwork on Tuesday 8, Wednesday 9 and Thursday 10 October.** We will be visiting Newhaven, Seaford and the Cuckmere Estuary on these days. Students should come dressed in their own warm clothes, with a coat.

*Dates for your diary ...*

**Wednesday 9 October** ~ Post 16 Evening Information Evening

**Wednesday 6 November** ~ 'The Passenger' theatre performance

**Thursday 7 November** ~ Year 11 Subject Consultation Evening

## 2019 COLLEGE OPEN EVENINGS AND DAYS

### SEPTEMBER

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SION School	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September 6.30pm – book online
Lancing College	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September 6pm – book online
Varndean College	Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> September 11am – 2pm
Plumpton College	Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> September 9am – 12pm

### OCTOBER

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Angmering Sixth Form	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 4.00pm – 6.30pm
Lancing College	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 6.00pm – book online
South Downs College	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October 5.00pm – 8.00pm
Burgess Hill School Girls Sixth Form	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October 6.00pm – 9.00pm
St Philip Howard, Barnham	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October – check website for timings
Brighton College	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 9.30am -12noon – book online
Chichester College	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 4.30pm – 7.00pm
Steyning Sixth Form	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October, subject evening, 5.30pm – 8.00pm
Brighton MET	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Brighton Girls	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 5.30pm – 8.00pm – book online
Havant College	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 5.00pm – 8.00pm
Sir Robert Woodard Academy	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 6.00pm – 8.00pm
Bishop Luffa, Chichester	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 6.00pm
Sir Robert Woodard Academy	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 6.00pm – 8.00pm
Varndean, Brighton	IB talk Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October, 6.30pm – 7.45pm
Brinsbury, Pulborough	Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 10.00am – 1.00pm
BACA College	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 6.00pm – 8.00pm
Varndean, Brighton	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October, Doors 6.30pm – 9.00pm
Varndean, Brighton	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October, Doors 6.30pm – 9.00pm
Northbrook MET, All campuses	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 5.00pm – 7.00pm



## NOVEMBER

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Worthing College	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 4.30pm – 7.30pm
Worthing College	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November 4.30pm – 7.30pm
Hove Park Sixth Form	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November 6.30pm - 8.30pm
Felpham Community College	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 6.00pm – 8.00pm
Newman College (Cardinal Newman)	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Chichester College	Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> November 10am – 1pm
Plumpton College	Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> November 9am – 12pm
Collyers, Horsham	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November 6.30pm – 9.00pm
SION	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November 6.00pm – 9.00pm
BHASVIC, Brighton	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November 6.30pm – 9.00pm
Collyers, Horsham	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 6.30pm – 9.00pm
Shoreham Academy	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November
BHASVIC, Brighton	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 6.30pm – 9.00pm
St Pauls Catholic College	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 6.00pm – 9.00pm
Northbrook MET, All campuses	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 5 - 7pm