



Davison CE High School for Girls

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Whole School

Please note that in the event of school closure due to adverse weather (for example, snow) we will advise you by posting a notice on our website www.davison.w-sussex.sch.co.uk from 7am and by text message. Please make sure you have discussed short-notice closure plans with your daughter and have alternative arrangements in place.



The Friends of Vale School wish to sincerely thank three Year 7 students for giving up their INSET day, just before Christmas, to help at their 'old' primary school! Hannah Turrell, Erin Eve and Holly Jenkins dressed up as elves and worked with Santa all day, handing out gifts to the 640 students of Vale School. 'They were brilliant with the children, interacting with them, chatting and helping to support the little ones who were a bit shy or nervous of meeting Santa.' We would like to add our own 'thank you' to Hannah, Erin and Holly for being such wonderful ambassadors for Davison.

Congratulations to the following students who entered and passed music exams last term:

Harriet Yelling - Grade 1 trumpet
Miriam Frank - Grade 2 trumpet
Maisie Parlane - Grade 7 trumpet
Tallulah Rawlings - Grade 4 keyboard
Lucy Gould - Grade 4 keyboard
Sophie Brown - Grade 4 keyboard
Mya Amponsah - Grade 4 voice

Tara Buxton - Grade 5 voice
Esther Frank - Grade 5 theory
Jess Blower - Grade 6 saxophone
Abigail Clay - Grade 6 piano
Ulyssia Bayley - Grade 6 piano
Molly Cartmell - Grade 7 cello

Hannah Oxenbridge (Year 8) did a great job playing the saxophone for the Swing Band last term (using a school saxophone) and has now been awarded her very own saxophone by the [Music For All Charity](#) in their Annual Gifts! Many congratulations Hannah ~ we wish you every success and enjoyment in your music making.



Seven of our Year 10 and Year 11 students are competing in the Geographical Association World Wise Quiz at Varndean School in Brighton on 12 February ~ we wish them every success!

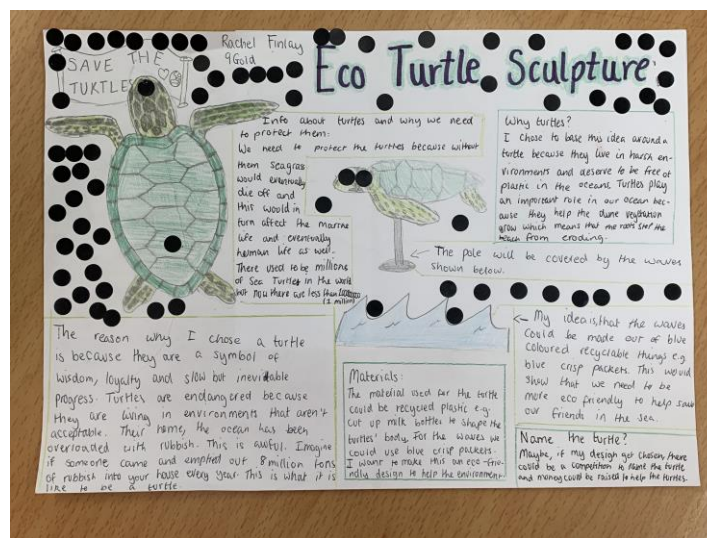
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ECO Sculpture competition results ~ forty-three amazing entries were received and, just before Christmas, the student body was invited to vote for the winning design. **Congratulations to Rachel Finlay in Year 8,**



whose 'Turtle' design below gained the most votes. Congratulations too, to Lottie Hodges and Lottie Pilbrow (Year 8) for gaining 2nd place with their 'archway' design (see above right) and Estelle Scullard (Year 10) for her 'dolphins' design (see above left) which gained 3rd place. All three winners received monetary prizes and SIM points.



Congratulations to the Top Ten Accelerated Readers who gained the most points for the month of December ~ Charmaine Rivera 7 Red, Selina Kuye 7 Green, Scarlett Cable 8 Green, Christelle Rivera 8 Red, Rosie Merritt 7 Pink, Betsy Carter 7 Silver, Florence Buck 7 Green, Aine Daly 8 Yellow, Gabriella Nisbet 8 Purple and Ines James-Fitzgerald 8 Pink.



World Book Week at Davison begins on Monday 2 March and will include a 'dressing-up as a book character' day and a fun Quiz taking place in the LRC ~ full information to follow. All students will also receive a book voucher which may be spent in any bookshop.

Yohansa Bandaranayake (Year 10) would like to thank everyone who brought in books for the **Devi Balika Vidyalyal school in Sri Lanka ~ an amazing 334 books were donated!**

Our three Young Enterprise companies are now nearly half way through the programme and have been working hard selling their products while keeping track of finances. All of the companies enjoyed successful sales at the Davison Winter Fayre last term and looked extremely professional. The Business Plans have been completed and, in the lead up to the Coastal West Sussex Area Finals in April, the teams are continuing to grow their businesses.



Many congratulations to two Davison students who have taken part in a world rowing record! On New Year's day, Daisy Chamberlain and Aoife Montagner (Year 10) ~ both left of the photo ~ took part with their team mates from Worthing Rowing Club. [Click here for full details](#), however, the good news is that they were successful in completing the record!

Four Year 9 students took part in a Step into Sport Camp last week ~ the day focused on developing potential leaders at KS3 to equip young people with the necessary skills and experience to plan and deliver generic sports events. Sydney Craddock, Lily Jackson, Natalie Mills and Daisy Guiver-Bristow were also lucky to meet with former Olympic Swimmer (Tom Haffield) and potential Tokyo 2020 Paralympian, Louis Saunders (pictured right with our successful students).



30 Davison students performed at the University of Brighton (Eastbourne Campus) in a contemporary dance sharing ~ members of our Year 9 Dance Club and Year 10 and 11 GCSE Dance students . Our GCSE Dance students were invited to attend a workshop associated with the *Richard Alston Dance Company Farewell Tour* and, from this opportunity, created their own movement and structured their piece of choreography to reflect Richard's signature style. Click on the following link to view:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JLrDRljQxog&feature=youtu.be>

Our Year 7 Indoor Athletics squad recently competed in the Annual District Competition at The Angmering School. It is always a tough competition, with eight other schools from the area competing. The Davison squad competed in a range of events, putting in fantastic performances. It was very close throughout the competition and the result rested on the final race ~ which Davison narrowly won. **The Davison squad won the competition by 1 point!** The squad will be off to the Sussex School Games Finals at Tanbridge House in March to compete against the top nine schools across Sussex. Many congratulations to: Lianne Cascante, Elsie Monaghan, Alice Howie, Harriet Yelling, Lizzie Hornsby, Olanna Procter-Mitchell, Tegan Brown-Felpts and Cerys Cooke.



On Tuesday 14 January, in the midst of storm Brendan, nine Davison students took part in the Sussex School's Cross Country Competition at Waterhall in Brighton. The conditions were extremely muddy and wet, but the field of entries was large. The Junior runners kicked off the competition with over 300 girls in the race. They all ran brilliantly and made it back exhausted and muddy! Our top runner came in the top 50, which

was a brilliant achievement.

By the time our Intermediate runners began, the weather had worsened, but still they stepped up to the challenge. Our top runner came in 22nd place, which was an excellent result.

A huge well done and thank you to all of our runners for being such superstars!



Do you enjoy singing? Come and join us at our Pop-Up Choir event in the school hall on Thursday 13 February, 5.30-6.30pm. This is a free, one-off event, open to parents, carers, staff, students and siblings ~ no experience necessary ~ just come along and sing together to promote community spirit, healthy minds and well-being. **Please let us know if you will be joining us** by emailing Mrs Maddocks on k.maddocks@davisonhigh.school.

Does your daughter enjoy cooking? If so, you may be interested in booking her a place on an exciting one day workshop on Tuesday 18 February (9.30am to 3.30pm), which will focus on developing culinary skills with an Italian theme. Homemade filled pasta, pasta sauce, garlic bread and biscotti ~ all ingredients provided and cooked dishes sent home with your daughter for all the family to taste! Please email creativekitchenworkshops@gmail.com to book a place at £25 per student. If you have any queries, your daughter may speak with Mr Frampton in school.





ECO NEWS!

- **Crisp packets** ~ many thanks to all students who have collected crisp packets and delivered them to Sc4. Since starting to collect in April 2019, we have recycled 50kg of crisp packets (approximately 10,000) and raised £85! Please keep on collecting and sending into school.
- **Plastic bottle lids** ~ we will soon be introducing plastic bottle lid drop-off points throughout the school ~ watch this space!
- **ECO bricks** ~ we are still making and collecting ECO bricks, so please continue to make these at home and in school.
- all staff and students are encouraged to reduce, re-use and recycle in the correct bins around the school.

If your daughter would like to join the ECO Club, or would like any further information, she is invited to come along to Sc4 on Thursdays after school (3.30-4.20pm) or email/see Mrs Dodd ~ j.dodd@davisonhigh.school.

Our Design & Technology Department would be very grateful for donations of unwanted clean Jumpers, T-shirts and Umbrellas!

Calling all sewing machinists ~ Australia needs our help! We have teamed up with our local Sussex distributor for Australia to provide much needed 'Bat Wraps' and 'Joey Pouches' and invite family and friends to get sewing! Your daughter can obtain full instructions and sewing patterns via 'Course Materials' in school. Please email Mrs Green at j.green@davisonhigh.school if you have any queries. Students attending our Fashion Club will be focused on making as many as possible.

WHAT WE NEED THE MOST



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 ● HIGH NEED
 ● MODERATE NEED
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● **DONATIONS for supplies & postage**

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We would like to thank you for your support of our recent fundraising events:

- **the FODS Winter Fayre raised an amazing £4,796.40** which will go towards the continuing development of our Learning Resources Centre (LRC) ~ thank you!
- **Muffi Day in December raised £1,141.33** which was shared between two charities: Turning Tides and FODS (Friends of Davison School)
- **the collection at our Christmas Carol Service at St George's Church raised £383.66** which was shared between the local charity, Care For Veterans, and the national charity, Barnardo's

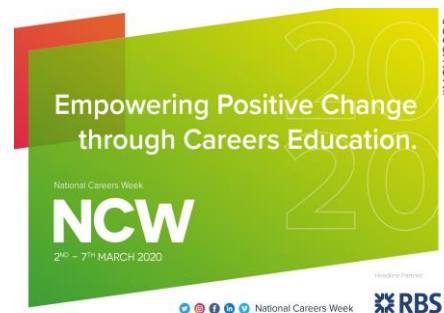
A staff Crafternoon raised an amazing £145 for the charity [MIND](#), which was rounded up to a total of £200 by our school!

Date for your diary: FODS Race Night at Northbrook College on Wednesday 25 March at 6.15pm to 9pm ~ [click here for full information and an order form](#) for your tickets, Please book early ~ spaces are limited!

The Community Prefects fantastic fundraising talent show 'Encore!' is on Thursday 27 February 2020 ~ a letter will follow shortly on how to purchase tickets for the show ~ many thanks to the students who are auditioning for 'Encore!'. Proceeds from 'Encore!' will go to the Community Prefects' charity of the year, [Care for Veterans](#).



We will be celebrating both National Apprenticeship Week and National Careers Week with lunchtime talks, pop-up stands, career links in lessons and more!



A number of visitors will be coming into school during these two weeks to support your daughter in her careers education and give her an opportunity to find out about careers she may not even knew existed!

[Consultation on School Admission Arrangements for 2021/2022](#) ~ West Sussex County Council have asked us to invite you to take part in the Consultation on School Admission Arrangements for 2021/2022, which went live on the 'Have your Say' hub on 16 December. The consultation will close on 31 January 2020. If you require any assistance please contact admissions.north@westsussex.gov.uk

Spring Term 2020 ~ Monday 6 January 2020 to Friday 3 April 2020 ~ the last day of term (3 April) is a normal working day, ending at 3.20pm

Year 9 Subject Consultation Evening ~ Thursday 23 January ~ **school day ends at 2pm for all students**

White Family Charity Week ~ w/c Monday 27 January

National Apprenticeship Week ~ w/c Monday 3 February

Purple Family Charity Week ~ w/c Monday 10 February

Half Term ~ Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February

Encore! The Show ~ 6.30-8.30pm Thursday 27 February ****new date****

National Careers Week ~ w/c Monday 2 March

World Book Week ~ w/c Monday 2 March

Yellow Family Charity Week ~ w/c Monday 2 March

Year 7 Subject Consultation Evening ~ Thursday 5 March ~ **school day ends at 2pm for all students**

Staff Development Training ~ Thursday 12 March ~ **a slightly later start at 9am for all students**

FODS 'PJ & Film Afternoon' ~ 3.20-6pm Friday 20 March

Silver Family Charity Week ~ w/c Monday 23 March

Scholastic Book Fair ~ w/c Monday 23 March

FODS Race Night ~ 6.15-9pm Wednesday 25 March at Northbrook College

Spring Concert ~ Thursday 26 March

INSET Day ~ Friday 27 March

Drama Evening ~ Wednesday 1 April

Easter Church Service for all Year Groups ~ Friday 3 April

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

Year 7

Our Drama and Music Departments have organised an exciting opportunity for Year 7 students to see *Hairspray* at the London Coliseum Theatre in June.

Hairspray is a comedy musical with 1960s-style dance music and rhythm and blues ~ Tracy wins a role on a local TV dance programme, leading to social change as she campaigns for the show's integration. Please note that places on this trip are limited and will be issued on a first come, first served basis. **Letters will be available and online payment will be open after the February half-term break.**

The Year 7 and Year 8 FODS PJ and Film Afternoon will be held on Friday 20 March from 3.20pm to 6pm in the school hall ~ tickets are just £2 each. Your daughter will have received a letter giving details on how to purchase a ticket. Refreshments will be on sale.

A list of named contacts and their email addresses is available on our website ~ [please click here](#) or go to www.davison.w-sussex.sch.uk, About Davison, Contact us, and scroll down to the bottom of the page.

Times and details of the various clubs available for your daughter to attend can be found on our website. [Please click here](#) or go to www.davison.w-sussex.sch.uk, For Students, Student Clubs.

Dates for your diary ...

Thursday 5 March ~ Year 7 Subject Consultation Evening

Friday 20 March ~ FODS PJ & Film afternoon, 3.20-6pm

w/c Monday 27 April ~ Year 7 Exam Week

Year 8

The Year 7 and Year 8 FODS PJ and Film Afternoon will be held on Friday 20 March from 3.20pm to 6pm in the school hall ~ tickets are just £2 each. Your daughter will have received a letter giving details on how to purchase a ticket. Refreshments will be on sale.

Year 8 Colour Family Dance Competition ~ as part of the Davison PE Inter-Form programme, we would like to invite you to the Worthing Pavilion Theatre for the **this Competition**. We are excited to use a professional venue for this fantastic opportunity for the students, and also provide enough seating for staff, friends and family. The competition will take place on **Tuesday 4 February 2020** from 7pm (with doors opening at 6.30pm) to approximately 8.30pm. **Tickets are on sale from the Pavilion Theatre Box Office** and are priced at £6 (£3.50 for concessions) ~ 01903-206206 or <https://worthingtheatres.co.uk/>

Year 8 Continued ...

If your daughter has a place on our **Swanage residential trip (25-29 March)**, you are warmly invited to a **Parents' Evening on Tuesday 25 February at 5.30pm** in The Refectory. At the meeting, Miss Hawker will be talking about the activities your daughter will be undertaking and health & safety issues, including expected standards of behaviour on residential trips. There will also be time to ask any questions you may have.

Dates for your diary ...

Tuesday 4 February ~ Year 8 Colour Family Dance

Friday 20 March ~ FODS PJ & Film afternoon, 3.20-6pm

Thursday 30 April ~ Year 8 Subject Consultation Evening

w/c Monday 22 June ~ Year 8 Exam Week

Year 9

A small group of Year 9 students visited Northbrook College, in the first week of term, to experience college life and try out some photographic techniques.

Davison will be offering Photography GCSE as a new option next year and this was an excellent 'taster' opportunity!

If your daughter has a place on our **Swanage residential fieldtrip (25-29 March)**, you are warmly invited to a **Parents' Evening on Tuesday 25 February at 5.30pm in The Refectory**. At the meeting, Miss Hawker will be talking about the activities your daughter will be undertaking and health & safety issues, including expected standards of behaviour on residential trips. There will also be time to ask any questions you may have.

Dates for your diary ...

Thursday 23 January ~ Year 9 Subject Consultation Evening

Tuesday 28 January, Lesson 3 ~ Options launch assembly (for students only)

Tuesday 28 January ~ Options On-line goes live

Thursday 30 January ~ 5.30-8pm Year 9 Options Evening

Wednesday 12 February ~ deadline for receipt of Options choice

w/c Monday 16 March ~ Year 9 Exam Week

Year 10

Work Experience ~ March 2020 ~ your daughter may be wondering what her working hours will be and what she should wear during her placement. **Your daughter will be invited to attend an assembly on either 11 February or 13 February to explain employers' expectations of Work Experience students** - your daughter will be advised to contact her employer at least two weeks prior to her placement to clarify any details she is unsure of. Formal confirmation of her placement will be given to your daughter to take home, for you to sign, together with a guide on the questions your daughter may wish to ask her employer.

Year 10 *Continued ...*

Dates for your diary ...

w/c Monday 13 January ~ launch of Prefect application process

Wednesday 29 January ~ deadline for receipt of Prefect applications

w/c Monday 16 March ~ Work Experience Week

Thursday 4 June ~ Year 10 Subject Consultation Evening

w/c Monday 15 June ~ Year 10 Exam Week

Year 11

With our Year 11 Mock Results Day fast approaching on 6 February, we would like to draw your attention to a workshop session for parents. This workshop is aimed at parents of students who have worked hard to prepare for their mock exams but feel that their results do not reflect their level of study. The workshop will explore evidence-based approaches to effective revision. **The session is designed to help parents understand which revision methods work best and why.** After the session you will feel greater confidence to support the revision efforts of your daughter. Further details for signing up will follow after Mock Results Day, however you may like to put the **two workshop dates in your diary in advance:**

Tuesday 25 February 5-6pm

Tuesday 17 March 5-6pm

Year 11 students studying GCSE Drama will be taking part in a 2-hour [Blood Brothers workshop](#) in March, led by Michael Southern, co-founder of Stage-ed. Michael played 'Sammy' in *Blood Brothers* in the West End for ten years and has also appeared in numerous films. This will be a practical workshop designed to help students answer questions in the written exam.

The Yearbook Prefect Team are working hard to create and design a unique hard-backed memento for the Year 11 students of 2020! The cost of a Yearbook is £16 ~ an order form will be sent home shortly with your daughter.

Dates for your diary ...

Thursday 6 February ~ Year 11 Mock Results Day

Tuesday 3 March ~ Year 11 'Grandstand' photograph

Monday 11 May ~ start of GCSE examinations ~ students MUST remain available for exams up to and including Wednesday 24 June (this is the contingency day set by the awarding bodies)

Friday 3 July ~ Year 11 Prom Night at the Hilton Avisford Park Hotel, Arundel ~ full information will follow shortly