

Davison CE High School for Girls

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Whole School News!

Welcome back to all of our students and families at the start of what we're sure will be a very busy and exciting last half term of this academic year!

We hope that you all had a happy and healthy break, and are settling back in to the school routine well so far.

Congratulations to Darlene!

A huge congratulations to Darlene Saurombe in 11BL whose fantastic painting 'Brighton Street' has been accepted onto the Royal Academy Young Artists Summer Show 2023 Online Exhibition. This is a huge achievement and opportunity for her artistic talent to be recognised on such a prestigious platform. All entries were judged by a panel of artists and professionals and put through a strict selection process. The RA Young Artists Summer Show will be going live on Tuesday 18th July and all of the selected artworks will be available to view online from this date. Well done Darlene and keep up the excellent work!





https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk



Coronation Excitement!

Charlotte Cook in Year 11 attended the Coronation of King Charles III in London as a representative of Girl Guiding UK. We are incredibly proud of her in this role and she had an amazing day! She also met the Archbishop of Canterbury,

Year 10 Citizenship Trip

On 2nd May the **Year 10 Citizenship classes** visited the **Houses of Parliament and the UK Supreme Court** as part of their studies. We even got a surprise **glimpse of King Charles III** just days before he was crowned!





We focused on the rights of Citizens in the **UK Supreme Court** and the role of both Houses, the Monarch and individual citizens in the **Houses of Parliament**.

Mamma Mia!

On Thursday 18 May, 146 **year 8 students** went to **London's West End** to see the Abba musical, **Mamma Mia!**

We all had a great time and the students were fabulous ambassadors for Davison, with their excellent behaviour and enthusiastic singing and dancing in the encore!



STEM challenge

34 year 8 students took part in a STEM challenge last month, with the STEM innovation team. They worked incredibly hard on the "Leaf blower challenge," were creative thinkers, applied their engineering skills and collaborated well as a team!

The winning team have each won an A15 wireless water-resistant speaker.



Did you know that as well as topping up accounts electronically <u>via</u> <u>this link</u>, cash top-ups can be made for as little as £1, via the machines in the Refectory and Diner. This allows students to avoid having to load the minimum electronic top-up of £10.

Monday 12th June 2023

Top Accelerated Readers (AR) for May 2023!

Please join us in **congratulating** the top AR readers for May! They are:



Ava Sellwood	09OR	124.0
Alexia Davey	07RE	79.2
Elodie Clayton	08GO	76.6
Maxine Orias	09OR	72.8
Amelie Marples	07WH	70.1
Moriah Mwale	07GR	67.3
Yolanda Allwright	07PI	62.9
Edie Bezants	07OR	62.4
Anna Starzacher	07PI	61.6
Miriam Felix	07RE	61.3



Well done Ava for reaching the top spot!

Trips

Year 10 Travel and Tourism students had an informative trip to **Drusilla's Park**, where they encountered animals and had a talk on **managing customer service**.

Well done to Year 8 for completing their **Worthing Seafront** fieldtrips! They had a great time and learnt a lot from their visits!





Year 7 interform musical theatre

This fantastic event is happening on **22nd June**. Please ensure that you have given consent on Wisepay for all pupils taking part. We still have **tickets left for the 5.30pm show**, so please book on Wisepay and come along!

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Do you have any unwanted gardening equipment?



The Eco Club are improving our allotment area in school and are looking for some donations! If you have any gardening tools, gloves, pots, seeds or compost that you are no longer using and still have life left we would very happily take it off your hands! Please drop any donations in to reception, or students can take items to SC4.

Eco Club meet every Thursday in Sc1 3:20-4:20 all years welcome. If you would like any more information please see Mrs Dodd or email j.dodd@davisonhigh.school. Thankyou!

Youth Council Elections



In the recent Youth Council elections for Worthing and Adur Youth Council in March, we are extremely proud to say that 15 new Youth Councillors were elected from Davison! This is incredible and so exciting to see so many of our students be willing and enthusiastic about being active in our local community. The skills that they will develop will be invaluable and they have put themselves in a position where they can now influence real change for our young people in Worthing. Well done!

Drama

Worthing Theatre Trail 2023 is joining with Worthing Festival this year. As part of it they are offering **FREE drama workshops** to children between the year groups 3-8.

Details can be found:

On their website https://www.worthingtheatretrail.co.uk/



https://www.eventbrite.com/e/free-childrens-drama-workshoptickets-595077471737?aff=ebdssbdestsearch Year 3-5 https://www.eventbrite.com/e/free-childrens-drama-workshop-tickets-595131021907?aff=erelpanelorg Years 6-7

Time for Worthing by searching Worthing Theatre Trail 23 https://timeforworthing.uk/whats-on/worthing-theatre-trail-2023/

Polite Reminder:

Please can we remind parents/carers that you must always report to the main reception when arriving onsite. No parents/carers should be walking around the school site unaccompanied, reporting to Student Services or using the school site as a cut through. Thank you in advance for supporting our safeguarding procedures.

The Addams Family

Our school has once again had the pleasure of presenting a whole-school production, which was delivered to appreciative sell-out audiences over four special nights in May.

The choice of **The Addams Family** proved to be a popular one that was not only entertaining, but a little bit spooky and funny too!





Once again, our cast and crew rose to the challenges created by the extreme characters in this surprisingly heart-warming story.

Young love, family secrets and sibling rivalry all feature heavily in the story, and all our young performers excelled themselves in singing, dancing, acting and all the backstage elements too.

Howie Kirk of The Venue, Worthing was kind enough to provide the atmospheric lighting and stage fog and our sound was operated in-house by the student crew. Mrs Kim Isted from the CS department excelled in creating weird and wonderful props and costumes with the support of students in the design club. A dead goose anyone? "Ostrich" feather fans? And the Cousin It costume so impressed a local costume-hire company that they have bought it off us!



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The Addams Family

It was wonderful to see many of our younger students taking part in chorus numbers, whilst the leads were played on rotation by mainly Year 9s and 10s.

We hope that the girls enjoyed the experience as much as the audience did - we have already started planning next year's offering!



However, our main appreciation must go to **Mrs Vicki Stitt** who put in hours and hours of her time to bring all the elements together to create a **wonderful cohesive whole!**

We hope to see you again next year. Watch this space...







There are always so many people to thank in a school project such as this, so not only would we like to thank the young performers but also the music department, admin staff and all other staff who gave up time with the less glorious roles such as keeping performers calm backstage.







Dates for your diary...

Summer Term 2023 ~ Monday 17 April to

Friday 21 July 2023

Half-term: Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June 2023



Whole School

Thursday 15th June ~ Early closure at 2pm for all year groups

Friday 30th June ~ Non-uniform Day

Monday 3rd July ~ Sports Day

Tuesday 4th, Monday 10th, Wednesday 12th July ~ Year 5 Taster Days

Wednesday 5th July ~ Year 6 Transfer Day

Friday 7th July ~ Colour Run

W/C Monday 17th July ~ End of Year Church Services at St George's

Friday 21st July ~ Last day of term—students finish at 12.30pm

Year 7

Thursday 22nd June ~ Year 7 Interform Musical Theatre

Thursday 22nd & Friday 23rd June ~ First Aid Training

Monday 26th June ~ Year 7 exams week

Year 8

Thursday 15th June ~ Year 8 Subject Consultation Evening

Thursday 22nd June ~ Year 8 STEAM day (X-half)

Friday 23rd June ~ Year 8 STEAM day (Y-half)

Year 9

Tuesday 20th June ~ Teenage Booster Vaccinations

Year 10

10th-14th July 2023 ~ Work Experience week

Year 11

Friday 30th June ~ Class of 2023 Prom

School term,
holiday dates and
planned INSET days
are on our website
and can be viewed
here, including for
the academic year
2023/24.

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Careers News! Year 10



College Taster Days

Worthing College – Thursday 6th July 2023

Click on the link below to book the morning session or afternoon session – not both. **Morning session**: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/worthing-college-year-10-taster-day-morning-session-tickets-476374016507

Afternoon session: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/worthing-college-year-10-taster-day-afternoon-session-tickets-511545605677

Varndean College - Monday 10th July 2023

Follow the link for further information and booking https://varndean.ac.uk/events/year10/

Open Events

- Worthing College Open event Monday 12th June 4.30-7pm
 https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/worthing-college-open-event-monday-12-june-
- Plumpton College Open Event Saturday 17th June 9-12pm

Follow the link for further information and booking https://www.plumpton.ac.uk/news-events/calendar-of-events/june-open-event-5191/



Use the Colleges and Sixth form tool to start creating a shortlist of colleges and courses you are interested in.

https://www.unifrog.org/student/furthereducation/start

Use the Know-how Library to search for tips and info on choosing post 16 options. https://www.unifrog.org/student/know-how



Careers News! Year 11



Worthing College – Year 11 Intro Day Tuesday 27 June – 8:45am-1:30pm

This is an opportunity for current Year 11 students who have accepted their place at Worthing College for September 23 enrolment and want to have a try at their course choices & meet their new classmates before September!

OPPORTUNITIES OVER THE SUMMER

National Citizen Service

Following on from your assembly on 2nd May 2023



You can follow the links below for further info and to sign up to activities away from home, within your local community or virtually.

What is NCS - National Citizen Service

https://youtu.be/QA1T3J5o8g4



A guide to summer jobs:

https://www.unifrog.org/student/know-how/direct/a-guide-to-summer-jobs

MOOCs (Massive open online course) tool to search for online courses, please note they are mostly free, however, there maybe a cost involved for some.

https://www.unifrog.org/teacher/resources/sort/know-how-how-to-use-the-mooc-tool

Creating your CV and how to use the CV tool on Unifrog:

https://www.unifrog.org/student/know-how/cvs-resumes-and-cover-letters/how-to-use-the-cv-resum-tool



Reminders for students & parents



Studybugs 😲

Could we politely ask that if your child 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 <u>click here</u> 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.

Please could you remind your child ...

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 child 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 our 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.

Maths Equipment

Please ensure that your child 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, @ £7.70). WisePay is now available for purchasing calculators.



Pupils must 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.

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Reminders for students & parents



Signing in and out during the school day

Pupils must sign in and out at Student Services only, if required during the day.

Water Bottles, Breakfast & Anti-histamine!

Please can all students bring a water bottle to school with them, and please encourage them to have breakfast and any required anti-histamine before coming to school.

Missed calls from school



If you miss a call from school and no message is left, we would ask that you bear in mind that with the large amount of staff we have, it is unlikely that our receptionist will know who called. If the phone call is urgent, a message will be left.

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, as this is when individuals are most infectious. Students are more than welcome to return to school on day 4, provided that they no longer have a high temperature and are well enough to attend. Children and young people who feel unwell and have a high temperature, should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. Students are welcome to return to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

Lost Property Update

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. 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 unnamed lost property onto the lost property section on FROG.

At the end of each term, any unclaimed un-named items will be recycled within the school and local community. Thank you.

Reminders for students & parents



We also hold a very limited stock of unembroidered PE kit. To purchase, please email preloved@davisonhigh.school with your child'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.

FODS recycling textile bank is based in the carpark outside the school gates—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.



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If you are interested in joining Davison CE High School as a colleague, 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 <u>link</u>.

Community News!



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 us for events, celebrations and much more. In recent times especially, 'community' has been even more important. We recognise that many family 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 Hub is available to all families providing access to support for food, fuel, clothing and essentials. The 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 <u>West Sussex County Council website</u> or please contact <u>welfarecommunities@westsussex.gov.uk</u>. Please click <u>here</u> for a list of local organisations providing support. Please click <u>here</u> for details of supportive 'Community Warm Spaces' across the region.

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 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.