

Welcome Students, Parents and Carers

Year 8
Information Evening
November 2022

DAVISON
CE High School for Girls

Welcome from Mr Keating

Head Teacher





Attendance and Continuity of Learning

Making Every
Day Count



90% attendance = ½ day missed every week

Mon Tue Wed Thur Fri

Absent half a day every week





1 school year at 90% attendance

= 4 weeks of lessons missed

Sept
38 school weeks

2

Absent for 4 weeks





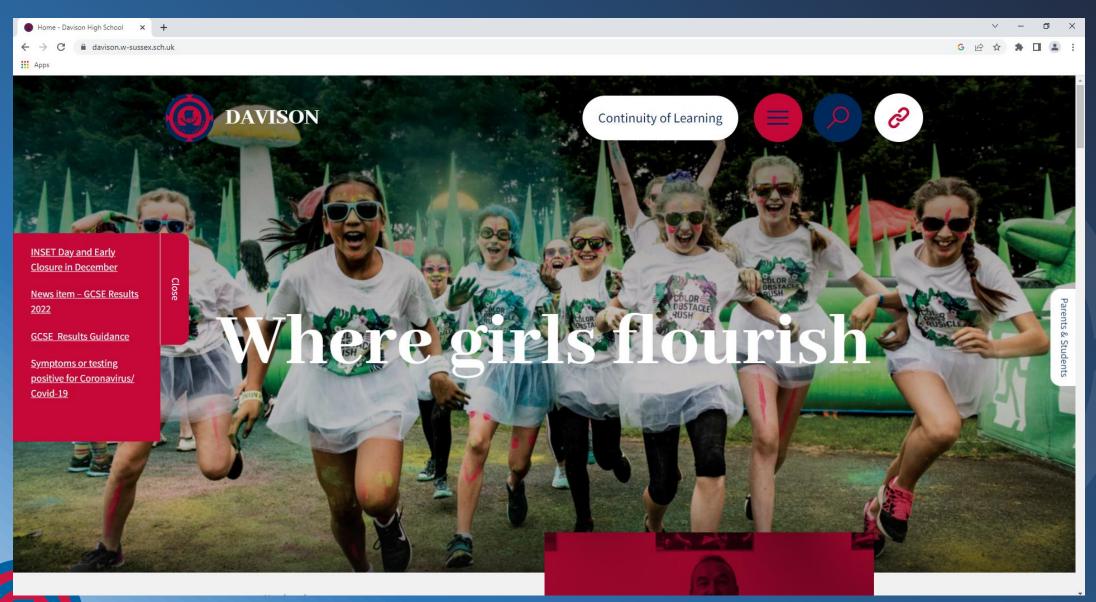
Attendance Percentages

The table below shows the attendance boundaries and their colours, along with the number of school days you will have missed if you reach those figures across all 6 half terms.

| | COLOUR | Percentage | | Da | ys of Sch | nool mis | sed | |
|---------------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | | | Autumn | Autumn | Spring | Spring | Summer | Summer |
| | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| OUTSTANDING | BLUE | 98.3% | 0.5 | 1 | 1.5 | 2 | 2.5 | 3 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| VERY GOOD | GREEN | 96.6% | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | <mark>5</mark> | <mark>6</mark> |
| | | | | | | | _ | |
| GOOD | GREEN | <u>95%</u> | <u>1.5</u> | <u>3</u> | <u>4.5</u> | <u>5</u> | <mark>7.5</mark> | 9 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| REQUIRES | <u>AMBER</u> | <mark>90%</mark> | <mark>3</mark> | <mark>6</mark> | 9 | <mark>12</mark> | <mark>15</mark> | <mark>18</mark> |
| IMPROVEMENT | | | | | | | | |
| PERSISTENTLY | RED | Below | 3.1+ | 6.5+ | 9.5+ | 12.5+ | <mark>15.5+</mark> | 18.5+ |
| ABSENT | | <mark>90%</mark> | | | | | | |

We should all be aiming for a minimum of 96% attendance during this year.







Supporting your Child's Learning

Miss Hannah Fox - Assistant Head Teacher – Key Stage 3

Mrs Emily Dewey - Head of Year 8

Miss Sophie Melard - Assistant Head of Year 8

Mr Nigel Swann - Assistant Head of Year 8







Support for Learning

English – Required reading comprehension levels at secondary school are significantly higher than at primary.

Maths – regular practice and video tutorials – Hegarty Maths and Dr Frost.

Other subjects – FROG department pages for support and challenge.

Davison Tutoring Programme – Currently English sessions available on a Monday and Science on a Tuesday. Self refer to subject teacher or Mrs Heryet, personalised learning co-ordinator.

Homework club – every day after school.

LRC extended hours – Tuesday and Thursday until 5.30pm. Drinks and biscuits available.



Support for Wellbeing

In school support

Keyworkers

Wellbeing Card system

Pod areas in the school

School Counsellor

FROG - 'My Wellbeing' pages

School website - Wellbeing

Wellbeing projects including focus on anxiety, resilience, self esteem, positive body image







General

Support:



Young Minds offer a free counselling service and also have fantastic support info on <u>their</u> <u>website</u>.

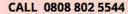
Parent Support

The Young Minds parent helpline is for anyone worried about someone under 25.

Available Mon-Fri 9.30am-4pm CALL

Call 111 or 999, or go to

e-wellbein





For help with eating disorders:

For young people and families:

beateatingdisorders.org.uk



The Hope Charity Project

Click <u>here</u> for more information about the support they offer.

Support for Financial Hardship

The school website:

Information about applying for free school meals and free transport for your child.

School bulletin:

Updates about support available in our local area including The West Sussex County Council Community Hub is available to all families providing access to support for food, fuel, clothing and essentials.

Diner: Open to all students for free cereal every morning from 8am.

Free sanitary products available to any student from student services.

For Further Information: Mrs Vent, Pupil Premium Co-ordinator



The Pastoral Team

- Role of the form tutor
- First point of contact for students and carers/parents. Day to day check ins.
- Monitoring any difficulties. Celebrating success.
- Role of the Head of Year and Assistant Head of Years
- Overview of the year group. Managing higher level concerns
- Pastoral Manager Kirsty Chamberland
- Supporting the team. Referrals to wellbeing projects and external agencies.



Key Dates and Events for Year 8

Key education dates throughout the year

- Friday 9th December ATL data sent home
- Monday 20th February Friday 24th February Year 8 exam week
- Friday 24th March ATL data sent home
- Thursday 27th April Year 8 subject consultation evening
- Friday 14th July ATL data sent home

Key enrichment opportunities throughout the year

- Friday 2nd December Winter Fayre 6.30pm 8.30pm
- Thursday 5th January Year 8 social 6.00pm 8.00pm School Hall
- Tuesday 10th January Year 8 Interform Dance The Pavilion Theatre
- Wednesday 1st March Encore talent show
- Monday 8th May Saturday 13th May School production
- Monday 3rd July Sports day
- Friday 7th July COLOUR RUN

Communicating with the School

Email

FORM TUTOR – details on the school website

Mrs Kirsty Chamberland – Pastoral Manager for Y8 – k.chamberland@davisonhigh.school

Mrs Emily Dewey – Head of Year Group for Y8 – e.dewey@davisonhigh.school

Miss Melard – Assistant Head of Y8 – s.melard@davisonhigh.school

Mr Swann – Assistant Head of Y8 –n.swann@davisonhigh.school

Ms Fox – Assistant Head Teacher – h.fox@davisonhigh.school

Reporting Absence

Studybugs

Information about the school

Keeping contact details up to date

https://www.davison.w-sussex.sch.uk/





Supporting your Child's Learning

Mr Adam Smith

Assistant Head Teacher – Data and Examination

Guidance for KS3 Assessment



Assessment System at Davison for KS3

KPI System

- Subjects are broken down into key skills and knowledge
- Assessments occur throughout the year
- Students KPI performance can be accessed at any time in the Frog Parent Portal

KS3 Exams

- Students take examinations in some subjects once a year
- In Year 8 and 9 English, Maths, Science,
 History, Geography, RS and MFL
- The performance in these exams are compared to previous assessment data to help teachers make a progress judgement in these subjects

The KPI System

- This is used in all subjects
- It breaks down the subjects into expected knowledge and skills for a student to acquire during the academic year
- A simple 3 colour system is used

Orange – Has attempted but not achieved the KPI yet

Green – Has achieved the KPI at the expected level

Blue – Has achieved the KPI above the expected level



How do we establish a progress judgement for students?

We use CATS to establish a reference point for student progress for KS3.

CAT – Cognitive Ability Tests are non-subject specific tests that seek to establish a general ability level for students.

□ CATS cover the following areas:
 □ Verbal Reasoning – thinking with words
 □ Quantitative Reasoning – thinking with numbers
 □ Non-Verbal reasoning – thinking with shapes
 □ Spatial reasoning – thinking with shapes and spaces



Establishing progress

Quintiles = 1/5th (20 percent) of the range



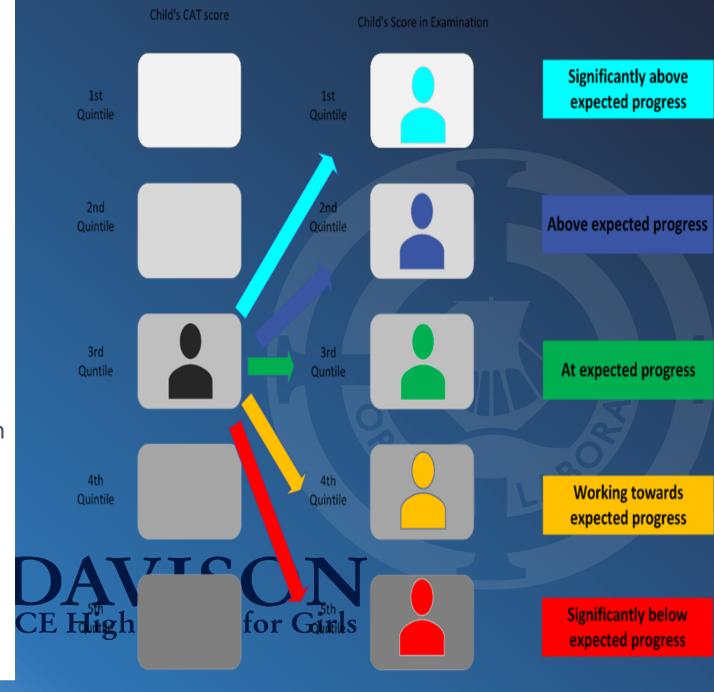




Important consideration-

If a student is placed in the top quintile for CAT scores only a positive outcome of at expected progress is possible. In this case, it should be recognised that this child has been working very hard to maintain a top quintile grading.

Equally – those who are in the bottom quintile will not receive scores below at expected level. Where there are concerns, a teacher may choose to moderate this mark down.



While the exam results are our main guidance as to the performance of your child other information will also be taken into account:

- KPI achievement throughout the year
- In class quizzes and tests
- Homework







A. Student 9BL

Year 9 Progress Summary 2022

May 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are pleased to provide you with _____h's progress summary.

Please refer to the guidance tables below, for how to read the data.

Progress Summary

| English | Above Expectation |
|-----------|---------------------------------|
| Maths | At Expectation |
| Science | At Expectation |
| Geography | Above Expectation |
| History | Significantly Above Expectation |
| Religious | At Expectation |
| Studies | |
| Spanish | Working Towards Expectation |

Guidance Key

| Guidance key | |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Significantly Above Expectation | Where a student's exam result is much higher than their relevant CAT test result |
| Above Expectation | Where a student's exam result places them higher than their relevant CAT test result |
| At Expectation | Where a student's exam result places them in a similar position to their relevant CAT result |
| Working Towards Expectation | Where a student's exam result was slightly lower than their relevant CAT test result |
| Significantly Below Expectation | Where a student's examinesult was considerably lower than their relevant CAT result |

Attendance, Attitude to Learning (ATL) Summary & Reading Score

| Attendance | 97.3% | Good |
|----------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| ATL | 6.62 | At Expectation |
| Reading Age | Judgement linked to age | At Age Expectation |

Guidance Key

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|-----------------------|
| Attendance |
| Outstanding |
| Good |
| Requires Improvement |
| Cause for Concern |
| Intervention Required |
| |

| Attitude to Learning (ATL) |
|---------------------------------|
| Significantly Above Expectation |
| Above Expectation |
| At Expectation |
| Working Towards Expectation |
| Significantly Below Expectation |
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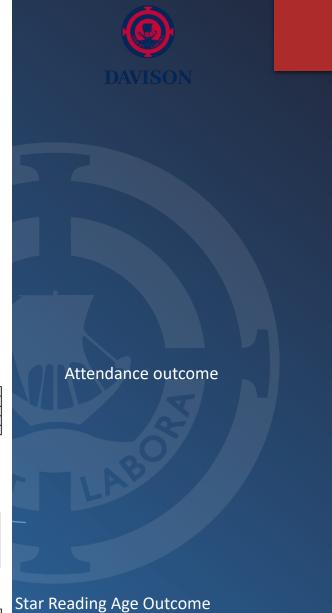
| Reading Age |
|-------------------------------------|
| Above Age Expectation |
| At Age Expectation |
| Working towards Age Expectation |
| Below Age Expectation |
| Significantly below Age Expectation |



subjects _____

ATL quintile





How is support offered to students

For students who are making significantly less progress than expected: ☐ An invitation to the DTP (Davison Tutoring Programme) ☐ Departmental support sessions outside of class time ☐ Head of Year/ Key worker mentoring For students who are working towards expected progress: ☐ Recommended support materials ☐ Additional support offered in lesson ☐ Tutor mentoring



Contact details for the following members of staff can be found on our school website:

Contacts Headship Team Colour Family Leaders Subject Leaders Form Tutors Support Staff **Data Protection Officer** Safeguarding SENDCO (Special Educational Needs Coordinator) Complaints policy Complaints form









What is Frog?

- What information do students have?
- How can you support them using Frog?
- What information is on the Parent Portal?

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Finding Frog



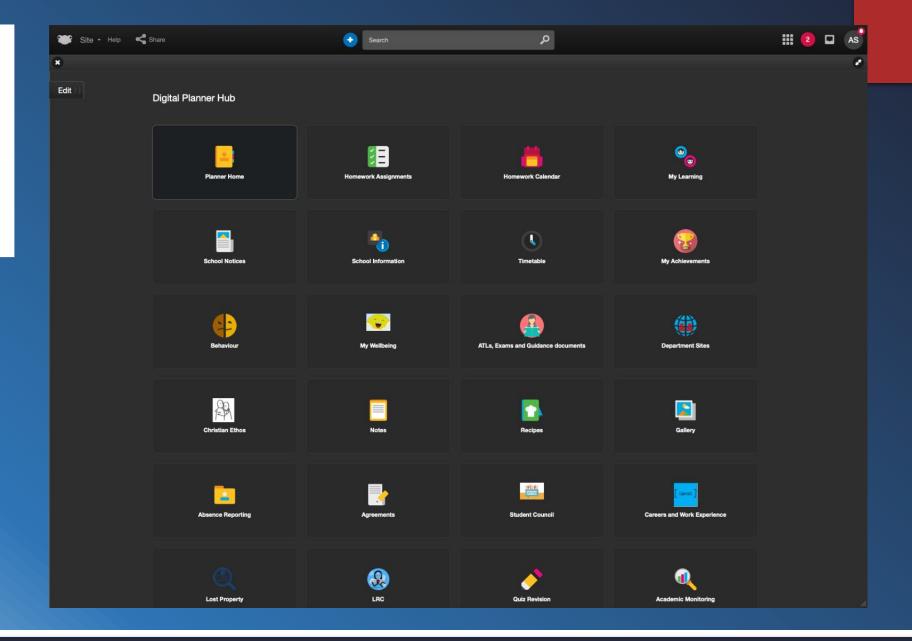
At school there is a desktop icon you can click on



At home – the quickest way to find Frog is to google "Davison Frog" – Remember once you have found it to bookmark it in your favourites!



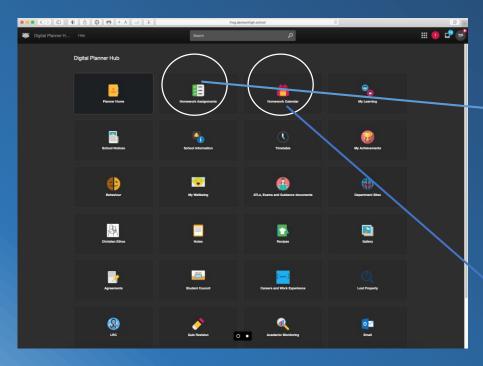
What Students see in Frog





Tips to finding your homework

There are two main ways to find homework



The Homework assignments page

This is a list of all your homework

Homework Calendar page

This shows you when your homework is due and will colour code it to show which pieces you should do first

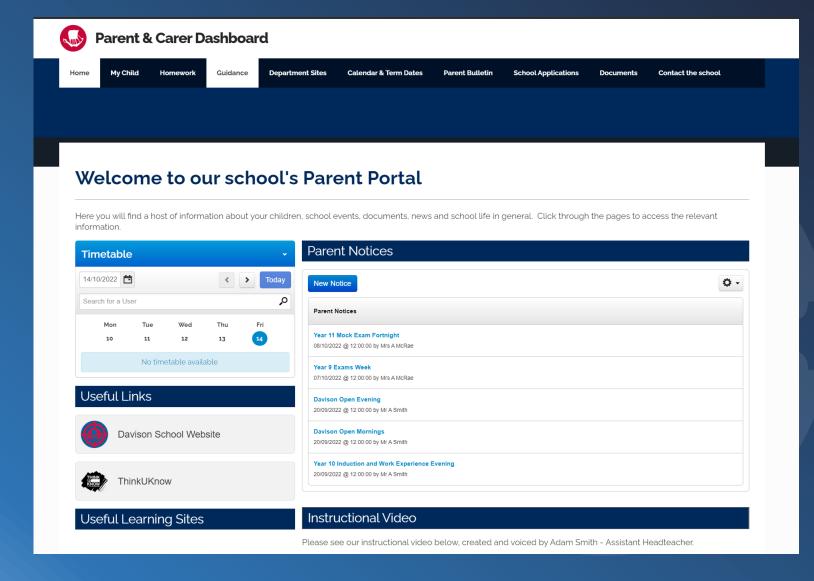


Department Sites



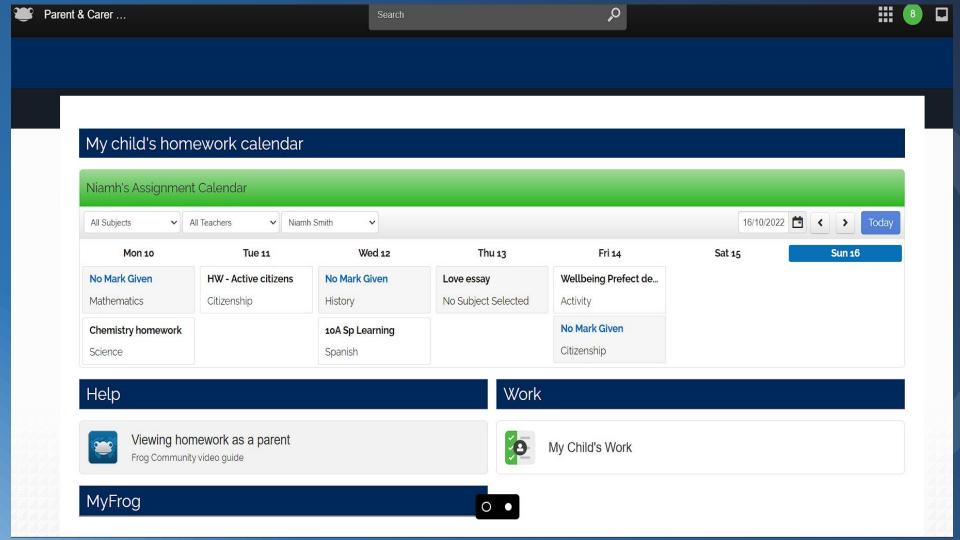


Parent Portal



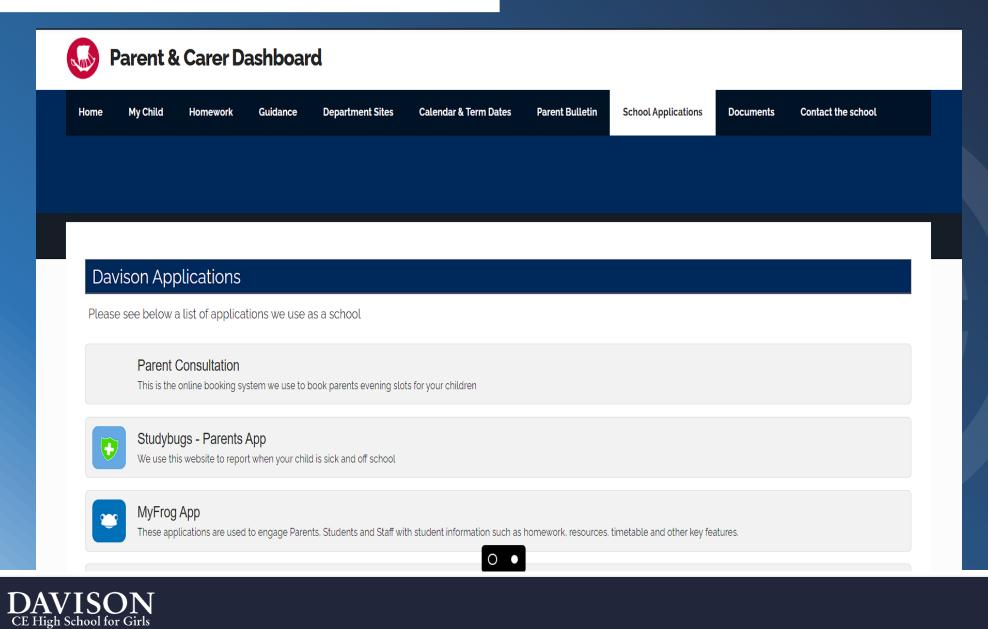


Keeping an eye on Homework





Other Features



Contact details

For all concerns or correspondence regarding assessments of progress please contact

Form Tutor

d.exams@davisonhigh.school

For all concerns regarding Frog or IT enquiries, please contact ltsupport@davisonhigh.school



Supporting your Child's Learning

Mrs Janice Eldridge

Assistant Head Teacher – Learning and Teaching





READING AT DAVISON

DEAR TIME AND BEYOND



Why does reading matter?

Can you remember reading a book that really engaged, interested and excited you? When we read books like this, it can make us feel that our brain is more 'alive' somehow. If this sounds far-fetched, recent scientific research suggests this is exactly what reading does for us – brings our brains to life!

'Books are a uniquely portable magic' – Stephen King



What happens when we read?

- Memory improves
- Empathy increases
- We seem to feel better in ourselves and develop a more positive outlook
- Health benefits include reducing stress, improved health and living for longer!



Davison does DEAR because....

- The best predictor of future education achievement and life success is reading ability - or, more significantly, being an engaged reader.
- Reading is one of the most powerful tools we have for developing empathy and understanding
- Reading seems to be able to unlock a sense of experience for us that we cannot access elsewhere



The Davison Reading Program: RENAISSANCE

1) THE STAR TEST

- 4 times a year in school
- Gives us data on reading ability
- Provides a READING ZONE for your young person to support progress (2.8 – 4.9)
- Generates a reading target to measure engagement (187 points)

2) THE READING QUIZZES

- Every time your young person finishes a book
- Anytime/ anywhere as soon as possible after finishing the book!
- Successful quizzing = points towards targets
- Provide us with a measure of engagement which we monitor and track with very high expectations

