

Latest news . . .

- **Vacancies**

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent/Governor in school. If you think you would like to get involved with school in this capacity, please contact Gemma Wilkinson at school.

We also have vacancies for midday supervisors. Again, please contact Gemma at school if you are interested.

- **Bake Off** is going well. Last night was cupcake night and all contestants did amazingly. The competition is 'heating up' as we are now halfway through. Just four weeks left until we find out who is going through to the final.
- We have been invited to send 4 students to represent school at the next Youth Council meeting held at the Council House Derby on Monday 18 June 5pm to 8pm where they will be discussing Domestic Abuse and Waste and Recycling. This is a great opportunity for our students to get involved in topics discussed by our local city council and be the voice of the young people of our school and community.
- Thirty six of our pupils have been selected to have their work published in a 'Young Writers' book after a competition they entered a few months ago via literacy and English. Excellent news— well done everybody!

Dates for your Diary

June 19	Y6 Out of Area Induction Day 9.30—2.30 pm
June 20	Y9 Learn to Earn
June 22	Y11 Prom 6.30 for 7pm Y2 Music Festival
June 26	Sports Day Y2 Music Festival
June 29-31	Duke of Edinburgh Practice Expedition

Headteacher Message

It only seems yesterday since the Year 11 cohort started their GCSEs and with the exception of a small number of language exams, they are all finished. I would like to say a massive well done and thank you to the whole year group for all their efforts and to the staff who have supported them. [We look forward to celebrating with you at the Year 11 prom which is taking place next Friday 22 June.](#) We are also having a celebration assembly on the morning of the same day. This gives us the chance to give our good wishes to Year 11 as a whole school community - a culture that I want us to continue to develop into the future.



This week has seen a series of assemblies taken by myself and our local PCSO team for all year groups with a theme of being good community citizens. All students have been reminded of the requirement to wear their uniform with pride and the importance of representing our school positively on the way to and from school. We are proud of the relationship that our school has with our local policing team and we have every intention of maintaining this going forward. We thank them for their positive support and help.

Next week will be another busy one as we welcome year 6 students from outside of Derby who are joining us in September. In addition, we are excited to host a full academy review inspection team who will be with us on Wednesday and Thursday. Please help us to demonstrate our high standards of uniform and punctuality which remain at the core of our daily proof of being a great school with high expectations of all.

Thank you as always for your support.
Mrs Roberts

Important Notices

- Year 11 Prom is next Friday 22 June at the Hallmark Hotel, Midland Road, Derby. Arrivals are from 6:30pm ready to start at 7pm. We can't wait to see our Y11s in their best attire and to celebrate their achievements; our staff scrub up quite nicely too . . .
- We are holding our enhanced transition day on Tuesday 19 June for those children who are starting with us in September but are not in our catchment area, to familiarise themselves with Da Vinci.
- As part of our transition programme, we are also starting our annual primary music festivals on 22 June. The purpose of the sessions is to enable pupils to come together to watch and take part in performances in partnership with staff and students from Da Vinci Academy.
- Da Vinci's Got talent auditions went really well and are now over. Our finalists are rehearsing for the big event on Wednesday 4 July.

Field to Fork

As part of their GCSE Food & Nutrition studies, students visited Lower Hurst Farm, a local Derbyshire farm on 21 May 2018.

Students took part in lots of practical activities relating to farming, looking at the cycle of field to fork. This was a valuable and exciting way of gaining information for their Food Preparation & Nutrition course.



ATTENDANCE

Winning tutor group for each year for this week:

Year 7 – 7TP – 98%
Year 8 – 8LH – 97.5%
Year 9 – 9PM – 100%
Year 10 – 10DF – 97.4%
Year 11 – 11RB – 99.2%

Congratulations to 9PM for receiving 100% attendance. Well done 😊

And last week:-

Year 7 – 7TP – 97.1%
Year 8 – unfortunately no tutor group achieved above 95%
Year 9 – 9SR – 97.6%
Year 10 – 10AW - 96.1%
Year 11 – 11GR – 99.3%

Unfortunately, no tutor group achieved 100% this week but 11GR were the closest with 99.3%. Well done 😊

Bon Voyage!

Our exciting Science trip to Paris departs at midnight on Sunday 17 June. We wish everyone a safe, cultural and fun time. We look forward to seeing the photos and hearing all about it on their return to school on Friday.



English Stars of the Week

Y10 Media Studies

Keira Hussain

Y10 English

Chardenay Thomas

Y9 English

Megan Hood

We value **your voice** and would like you to join us on our journey of improvement.

