



WEEKLY BULLETIN

Friday 22 September

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This Week

Our **new website** has gone live this week—please take a look at www.davinci.derby.sch.uk.

On **Wednesday, 38 Year 11 students** attended their first day of **geographical fieldwork** looking at the **River Ecclesbourne** and the village of **Duffield**. The students were looking at geographical flows in their enquiry and were answering two key questions:

- How does the River Ecclesbourne change from its source to the confluence with the River Derwent?
- How does Environmental quality vary in the village of Duffield?

The morning was spent in the river taking measurements and drawing annotated field sketches of the river and the afternoon was spent in Duffield investigating Environmental Quality in the village. **Next Thursday** they will spend their **second fieldwork day** in **Chesterfield** which we hope will be as enjoyable for them as Wednesday.



Also on **Wednesday, Gi Group** delivered **Cheese Matters** to **30 Y8 students**. Cheese Matters is a unique and award-winning financial education programme run by business volunteers and gives teenagers a helping hand on how to manage their money and avoid running up huge debts, with advice on everything from credit ratings to effective budgeting. In addition, Gi Group delivered a presentation to **launch a competition** around behaviour and attendance with a £50 voucher for the year group with the best performance.



Mr Phillips took the **Year 9 Foundation group** shopping at **Morrisons** yesterday. They bought ingredients and baked cakes for the **Macmillan Coffee Morning** next **Friday**.

Yesterday's **Y6 Open Evening** was very well attended. There were presentations in the hall for parents/carers and pupils and they were able to tour the school. Activities included decorating biscuits, watching key fobs being made in Design & Technology and seeing our students take part in Shakespearian activities in English. Visitors were also able to enjoy snacks in the French Café in the Modern Foreign Language department. A big **thank you** to all our student volunteers; we have had some fantastic feedback about them.

If your child would like a **singing lesson demonstration** next week, they need to see **Miss Daykin** in school.

Please return consent forms and reply slips for the **GCSE Art Trip to Chatsworth** as soon as possible.

Next Week

Early next week, all KS3 parents/carers should receive a letter about literacy.

Next **Tuesday 26 September**, we have approximately **90 Y6 pupils** visiting us from **Cavendish Close Junior School** for a **taster day**, followed by other primary schools the following week.

We have a collection of **lost property** items in the medical room. If your child has mislaid any item, please ask them to see Lin Ganley.

Theme for **assemblies** next week is **International Day of Peace** (Peace One Day) presented by Mr Best.

Urgent

If you are not already claiming **free schools meals** and think you may be entitled, please copy and paste <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/link2ict> into your browser or contact Linda Sowter at school. If you don't wish to take up the offer of free school meals, by making a claim, we get additional funding for every child on FSM. Thank you.

ATTENDANCE

Winning tutor group for each year for this week:

Year 7 – 7PJ – 100%

Year 8 – 8JS + 8LH – 98.5%

Year 9 – 9HR – 98.4%

Year 10 – 10AW – 100%

Year 11 – 11HL – 98.5%

Congratulations to 7PJ and 10AW for receiving 100% attendance this week. Well done!