



Davington Primary School

PARENT NEWSLETTER

12th January 2024

Dear Parents

Welcome back and a very happy new year to you. I hope you have had a lovely break and are ready for the busy term ahead.

The weather has been noticeably colder this week. In extreme weather, we will always try to keep the school open when possible. In the unlikely event of a school closure, details will be put on the following websites: www.davington.kent.sch.uk and www.kentclosures.co.uk, (under school closure and service information). You can also listen to **KMFM, BBC Radio Kent** or **Heart FM**.

It is understandable that occasionally something occurs causing your child to be late for school. We do understand how embarrassing this is for them. This week there has been a number of children late and a few more than once. This means they are walking into a classroom when teaching and learning has started. This does cause anxiety for some children. The gates open at 8.40am and school starts at 8.55am. Please be here on time. When your child is absent please ensure you call the school office 01795 532401 before 9.00am to report the reason for your child not being at school.

We have launched our new menu, which everybody is enjoying. If your child is bringing a snack or packed lunch, we are a **'NUT FREE'** school. **Do not send your child with any snacks that contain NUTS this includes Nutella in sandwiches.**

Kent Adult Education

Included with this newsletter is some information on family learning courses. The courses cover a range of areas and are all free. To book a place, visit www.kentadulteducation.co.uk

NHS Emotional Well Being Practitioner

We are delighted to welcome the NHS Emotional Wellbeing Team (EWT) to our school. I have attached a letter, which outlines the support they will offer. We shall be hosting an **'Understanding Anxiety Workshop'** on **Monday 29th January 3:30 - 5:00pm** and I attach further information about this. It would be ideal if you could attend without your children as the content of the workshop is for parents/carers. However, if you would like to attend but would need childcare for your children, please let the office know.

Safer Internet Day 2024 – Tuesday 6th February 2024

Safer Internet Day will take place on the 6th of February 2024, with celebrations and learning based around the theme **'Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online'**. Link to further information:

[Parents and carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

We are hosting an Online Safety Information Session on **Monday 5th February 3:30 - 4:00pm** in the Year 4 classrooms. We hope to see many of you then.

If your child is starting School in September, please make sure you have applied for a place by Monday 15th January.

I wish you a very happy new year.

Yours sincerely

Mr C Saint
Headteacher

Diary Dates 2024

Monday 15 January	4.45-6pm	Year 3 Davington in the Dark
Friday 26 January	All day	Year 3 Ancient Egyptian Day
Thursday 1 February	All day	Year 5 Forces Workshop
Tuesday 6 February	All day	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 7 February	All day	Year R Hearing and Vision Screening
Friday 9th February	3.15pm	End of Term 3
12th-18th February		Half Term Davington Holiday Club Open
Monday 19th February		Children return for Term 4
Tuesday 12 March	All day	Year 3 Kent Life Visit
Wednesday 27th March	1.45pm	End of Term 4
28th March-12th April		Easter Break Davington Holiday Club Open
Monday 15th April		Children return for Term 5
Friday 26 th April		Braswick Photographic – Class Photos
Monday 6th May		Bank Holiday
Friday 17 May	All day	Year R Trip to Chatham Dockyard (<i>more details to follow</i>)
Monday 20 & Tuesday 21 May	7pm	Concert Choir Show (<i>more details to follow</i>)
Friday 24th May	3.15pm	End of Term 5
27th May – 4th June		Half Term Davington Holiday Club Open
Wednesday 5th June		Children return for Term 6
17-21 June		Year 6 Residential
Friday 10 May	All day	Year 5 trip to National Maritime Museum (<i>more details to follow</i>)
Monday 8 July Thursday 11 July Friday 12 July	10am 10am 10am	Sports Days Year 4, 5 & 6 Year 1, 2 & 3 Year R
Tuesday 23rd July	1.45pm	End of Term 6

Diary Date 2024-2025

Monday 2 nd & Tuesday 3 rd September		Staff Development Days
Wednesday 4th September		Children return for Term 1