

Devizes Dispatch



Mr. Cave's weekly message:

It has been great to welcome students back after their Easter break and settle them into the summer term. As we've walked around the school we're always impressed by how much our students buy into our culture and what we consider to be "normal for Devizes". From the attention given in classes to their learning and efforts they put in to the way they are warm, welcoming & friendly as they walk from one lesson to another- it's clear

our students understand the importance of FOCUS & STEPS. We talk regularly about why we show genuine mutual respect to each other, and the importance of undivided attention to teacher instructions to then make good progress- as we tell our students, our teacher's words are like gold dust! Therefore when we see all this in action we know that as a school we're helping to form a generation of young people who possess the communication skills, qualifications and working habits that can bring them success in the future- and as a result we're very proud of them, and excited by the term ahead.

Public Speaking

On Thursday 3rd April, we had the pleasure of holding Devizes School's first Public Speaking competition. We were incredibly impressed by the students who participated, who all demonstrated bravery and resilience, and who enlightened the audience on a range of fascinating subjects with eloquence. We are excited to see them develop their public speaking skills in the future!

Best Speaker: Bella H

Most Passionate Speech: Evelyn A

Most entertaining speech: Harry C

Outstanding chair: Nicole B



Devizes School Invitation to Year 5 Taster Day - Wednesday 9th July 2025

We are delighted to invite current Year 5 pupils to a Taster Day here at Devizes School on Wednesday 9th July.

This is a primary school-arranged visit, and pupils will attend with their teacher during the school day. Year 5 Parents are welcome to attend from 1:15pm for the athletics event and then attend the Headteacher's talk at 2:30pm.

Please see the attached flyer for more information.



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What do students learn at Devizes School?

The curriculum's aims at Devizes School are "Raising aspirations and building futures". This is achieved through a core curriculum that provides challenge for all students across a rich and broad range of subject areas and ensures student interests are developed and nurtured. Curriculum pathways provide opportunities for students to deepen their experiences in subjects where there is real passion and interest, whilst maintaining a broad and balanced offer for all.

The curriculum is carefully sequenced to ensure that key skills, knowledge and understanding are developed. Prior knowledge is used to build new learning and key aspects are revisited to enable students to retain knowledge and successfully apply this to new contexts. At each key stage the curriculum develops the key skills needed to be a successful learner, ensuring an effective transition to the next phase of learning.

The curriculum develops mature and rounded individuals and, alongside academic achievement, develops holistic skills and attitudes through an extensive range of extra curriculum activities and links with the community.

The curriculum is divided into a number of subject areas, for each of these areas please use the following links, to find out more detail about what students' study:

Creative & performing Arts

<https://www.devizesschool.co.uk/learning-education/curriculum/creative-performing-arts>

Global Studies

<https://www.devizesschool.co.uk/learning-education/curriculum/global-studies>

English

<https://www.devizesschool.co.uk/learning-education/curriculum/english>

Modern Languages

<https://www.devizesschool.co.uk/learning-education/curriculum/modern-languages>

Mathematics

<https://www.devizesschool.co.uk/learning-education/curriculum/mathematics>



PE & Health

<https://www.devizesschool.co.uk/learning-education/curriculum/pe-health>

Science

<https://www.devizesschool.co.uk/learning-education/curriculum/science>

Specialist Learning

<https://www.devizesschool.co.uk/learning-education/curriculum/specialised-learning>

Technology, Enterprise & Design

<https://www.devizesschool.co.uk/learning-education/curriculum/technology-enterprise-design>



Art Bytes

This year's entries into the national Art Bytes competition are stunning – please visit

<https://artbytes.co.uk/schools/devizes-school-442/> to take a look and cast your vote.

Dates for your diary

8th May – Year 7 Online Parents Evening – Appointments available to book via Edulink

13th May – Year 9 Catch-up Vaccination session

22nd May- Year 10 Online Parents Evening 4.30pm – 7.30pm

23rd May – Last day of term. 3pm finish

2nd June- First day term 6