

Devizes Dispatch



Mr. Cave's weekly message:



We've been getting in the World Cup mood this week at Devizes as the time comes round again where many of us find from seemingly nowhere the optimistic belief that this could be our year! The door competition has seen some wonderfully creative entries from our tutor groups who are representing nations from across the world, and we await the verdict of our judging panel on which door has caught their eye the most! It all contributes towards our House Championship, in which we are now into our final month of the second season. Last we heard Roundway were leading but were being

eagerly chased by both Avebury and Silbury. Our Houses score Championship points through the merits their students receive, their attendance at both school each day and to our range of clubs, as well as their performance in various challenges. We have a House 5-a-side football tournament coming soon to coincide with the World Cup, as well as our Attendance Streak competition, where building a run of consecutive days in school can score you points for your House- the longer the streak, the higher the score! We love creating a healthy sense of competition amongst our students and giving them a variety of opportunities to showcase their talents and commitment. Our finale for the winning house is just 5 weeks away- parents if you haven't completed the waiver for your child to take part should they win, time is running out!

Outside of our House Competition, we continue to be impressed by our Year 11 and 13 students, who are so nearly at the end of their exam journeys. On Wednesday we held our farewell Year 13 breakfast- a poignant moment to come together and celebrate two special years at the top of our school community. Thanks to Mr Chamberlain & Mrs Dunbar for coordinating the event, and thank you to all our Year 13 students for being such brilliant ambassadors for our school.

Uniform reminder

A number of students are attending school with Henna tattoos, please can we remind all parents and students that:

- Tattoos of any kind are not allowed at school. This includes temporary 'henna' tattoos

Please find attached the Uniform Expectations for the Summer Term for reference.

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Super 8s Athletics Competition

Our school recently took part in the Super 8s Team Athletics Competition, competing in a range of track and field events including the 100m, 200m, 800m, hurdles, long jump, high jump, javelin, shot putt and relay.

Huge congratulations to both the boys' Team and the girls' team who both finished in 2nd place. Thanks to these outstanding performances, both teams have successfully qualified for the County

Finals. This is a tremendous achievement and reflects the hard work and dedication of all the athletes involved.



Year 9 Sports Leaders shine at Dodgeball Finals!

A huge congratulations to our outstanding Year 9 Sports Leaders, who were invited to officiate the Dodgeball Finals at the Chippenham Sports Dome.

Throughout the event, our leaders demonstrated exceptional professionalism, maturity, and leadership. They consistently made strong, fair, and confident decisions while officiating games and were excellent role models for all participants. They

took the time to coach and guide players before issuing consequences, helping create a positive and supportive environment for everyone involved.

Their efforts certainly did not go unnoticed. Teachers from across the event took the time to praise our students, commenting on their excellent conduct, fairness, and the high standard of leadership they displayed throughout the day.

We are incredibly proud of how they represented our school and the positive impact they had on the competition.

Well done to all involved! #SportsLeadership #ProudSchool #DodgeballFinals #LeadershipInAction

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Auction of Promises

A group of Year 10 boys are currently fundraising for their upcoming trip to Borneo and are putting together an "Auction of Promises" to help raise money.

They would love to hear from anyone who may be able to donate a promise, service, experience, or voucher for the auction. It's a great opportunity for local businesses to support the students while also promoting themselves.

If you would like to contribute something, please email office@devizes.wilts.sch.uk with details of your promise. We really appreciate all the support.

The auction will close on 10th July at the Borneo Bingo Night, poster attached .

[Auction of Promises - link](#)

[Borneo Bingo Ticket - link](#)



Author Visit

On Tuesday 2nd June, the English Department had the pleasure of taking 25 KS3 and KS4 students to Devizes Museum, for a Devizes Arts Festival talk from Journalist and author Becky Gray, entitled: How I became a Ghost writer. The students - as always - were excellent ambassadors for the school, engaging brilliantly with the topic and asking insightful questions.



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Year 9 Sports Leaders

Our Year 9 Sports Leaders did an outstanding job supporting at Bishops Cannings Sports Day!

It was a packed and exciting morning, beginning with a Race for Life, followed by a range of field events, and finishing in the afternoon with the track events. Despite the busy schedule, our leaders showed fantastic organisation, enthusiasm, and maturity throughout the day.

Unfortunately, we only managed to capture one photo due to how busy the event was – but it certainly doesn't reflect just how much hard work was going on behind the scenes! Great fun was had by all, and Mr Griffin praised the group, saying: "Your leaders did a superb job of keeping the events running smoothly."

Well done Year 9 – a credit to the school!

Year 10 Rounders



Our Year 10 Rounders team took part in a fantastic tournament at Abbeyfield on Tuesday.

They played 5 competitive games, finishing with 2 wins, 1 draw, and 2 losses. What stood out most, however, was their determination and resilience throughout the day. After a couple of tough matches, the team showed great character to regroup, push on, and finish the tournament with a brilliant win in their final game!

A great effort from everyone involved – well done Year 10!

Sports Day BBQ Reminder

Devizes School Annual Sports Day – BBQ Lunch

Devizes School will be holding its annual Sports Day with a BBQ lunch option on Friday, 3rd July. If your child would like to enjoy a BBQ lunch on the day, please place your order via ParentPay by 25th June.

We look forward to a fun and exciting day for all students!

Lego donations required

Mrs Yeoman is kindly seeking donations of any unwanted LEGO. If you are able to contribute, whether large or small, donations can be dropped off at reception.

All donations are greatly appreciated.

Dates for Diary

25th June – BBQ lunch orders to be place via ParentPay

3rd July- Sports day

6th & 7th July – TD Days – School closed to pupils