

Devizes Dispatch



Mr. Cave's weekly message:

And so we are finished- the 24-25 academic year has come to an end. It's been a great last few days. Year 10 have been out on work experience, sampling the world of business and industry. We've waved goodbye to our students on their Peruvian adventure, and then we came together today for our final assembly on the Quad, to hand out awards and say farewell to some staff who are moving on to new roles. You don't need me to share the highlights of the year- you know what a fantastic time it's been if you've been following along

In our Dispatch and social media this year. So we wish our students and our staff a wonderful summer break. We look forward to fantastic results for our students in the summer, and coming back again in September where it'll be bigger and better than ever! Have a wonderful summer holiday.

Uniform expectations

Please take the time over the summer break to ensure that your child(ren) has all the relevant uniform needed for when they return in September. Barring a medical issue, we would expect all students to be in full uniform upon their return. Our uniform expectations are unchanged for next year, and are attached to this email. If you have borrowed items of uniform at home, please return these. If you require any assistance regarding uniform, do please get in touch. Likewise, please ensure your child arrives to school in September with the relevant equipment required for learning, both in terms of stationery and PE kit.

25-26 Academic year

Years 7 & 12 join us on Wednesday 3rd September, with Years 8-11 and 13 returning on Thursday 4th September, all at the usual time of 8.30am.

Parent Handbook

The 25-26 version of the Parent Handbook will go live tomorrow (July 24th), and can be found here- <https://www.devizesschool.co.uk/parents-students/parent-handbook>
If you would like a paper copy, do please contact the school reception.



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Consents 25-26

At school we require your consent to act on your behalf in certain situations, or for us to use relevant data regarding your child(ren). This can include photographs for school marketing purposes, the ability for students to carry pain relief on their persons during the school day, or to administer First Aid. You can give or withdraw your consent directly through the Parent Portal on the Arbor app. Please note that we operate this as an opt out process, and unless you have actively withdrawn consent via Arbor, we will act with your child's best interest at heart using our professional discretion.

Safeguarding

During the summer break members of our Safeguarding team are still on duty and available if needed. They can be reached via email- SafeguardingGroup@devizes.wilts.sch.uk

The White Horse Federation review of the year

We're proud to be a member of the White Horse Federation Multi-Academy Trust, and when we consider everything the Trust has achieved this year, why wouldn't we be? Please click the link to read more about what our partner schools across the Trust (and us!) have been celebrating this year- <https://thewhitehorsefederation.org.uk/news/2025-07-21-twhf-highlights-2024-2025>

PE activities for Year 7, 8 & 9 September 2025.

For students in years 7-9 from September 2025, please find attached a table for each group, each term and what students we will be doing. Please ensure that students have the correct PE kit for these activities. Students will need a school branded top, navy blue or black bottoms (no hot pants), and trainers. When we have rugby and football students will need boots, we have several pairs to borrow, if students do not have any. Shin pads are also required for football, again we can lend these if necessary. For Hockey students will need shin pads. Gum shields are highly recommended for both hockey and rugby. Swimming costumes should be one piece and students will need goggles and a towel. OAA stand for outdoor and adventurous activities.

Dates for the Diary

3rd September – Years 7 & 12 return to school

4th September – Years 8-11 & 13 return 8.30am start