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Dear Parents/Carers

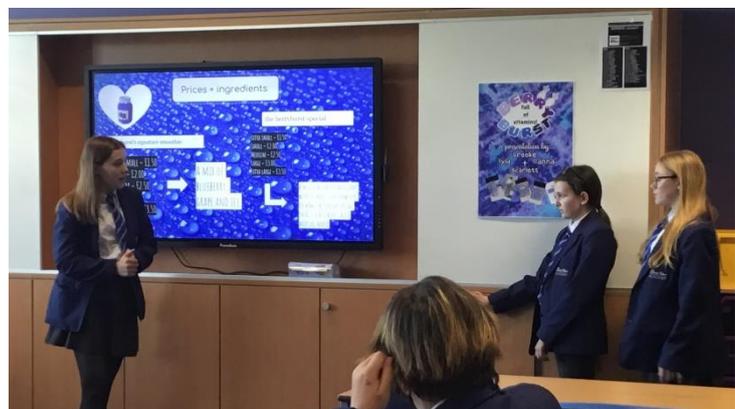
### **Dance Show**

Our Dance show which took place last night was wonderful. It was lovely to see so many pupils taking part and showing such skill and obvious enjoyment and pride in their performances. It was also lovely to see so many other pupils who had come along to support. Well done to all pupils who took part. Thank you to Miss Gregory for her hard work putting this together and to all other staff who have helped and supported.



### **Smoothie Challenge**

Earlier this week, some of our Year 7 students presented their recently completed Smoothie Project. These presentations, delivered to Carl Evans of Owen Taylor & Sons, Mr Ruddy, Miss Brown and Mr Doohan, detailed the research that pupils had conducted, as well as packaging, profit and loss, and branding. The judges were very impressed with the quality of the presentations. Not only was the content mathematically brilliant, but the teams demonstrated great communication skills, determination, as well as great teamwork. We cannot wait to see how well our Year 7 pupils perform in their next project, which takes place at the start of July.



Thank you to Carl Evans from Owen Taylor & Sons for helping us to judge this amazing challenge.

### **Year 8 Assessments**

The two-week assessment window for Year 8 pupils commences on Monday. All pupils have received information booklets and teachers have been supporting them in lessons with revision activities. Results will be shared after half-term.

### **Change to the School Day for Year 9 pupils from Monday 16 May 2022**

From Monday 16 May all Year 9 pupils will be moving onto our Key Stage 4 timetable and school day. Please see separate letter sent out to Year 9 parents.

### **GCSE & A level Exams**

Year 11 and 13 students have been provided with information about the expectations and requirements for the GCSE and A level examinations. Please do contact our examination team via email at [examsofficer@davidnieper.academy](mailto:examsofficer@davidnieper.academy) if you have any questions or require further information.

We wish our Year 11 and 13 students all the best for their examinations. Should you have any further questions regarding arrangements or how to support your son/daughter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

### **Year 8 Parents Evening**

If you have not already done so, please book appointments for the Year 8 Parent Evenings via our booking system <https://davidnieper.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

The dates are either:

- Tuesday 17 May, 4-6pm - online appointments
- Monday 23 May, 4-6pm - face-to-face appointments in the Main Hall

### **Early finish for staff training – Tuesday 17 May, 2pm**

Please be reminded that on Tuesday 17 May, the academy will close at 2pm to all pupils due to staff training. Early buses, including the Wessington bus, have been arranged. If you would prefer your son/daughter to remain at the academy until the usual finish time a supervised area will be provided. Please email [info@davidnieper.academy](mailto:info@davidnieper.academy) if your son/daughter will remain in the academy. The online Parents Evening for Year 8 will commence at 4pm.

### **Year 11 Leavers' Prom**

A reminder that this year's student Prom tickets are available to purchase; a £10 deposit will secure your son/daughter's place, which is non-refundable. An additional £25 will need to be paid by Friday 27 May 2022. Please note the final deposit will be adjusted and any monies will be refunded if your son/daughter has received signatures from revision sessions.

### **Tempest Photographers**

Our school photographers have visited today and taken this year's group photo of our Year 11 students. Once the proof has been received in school, Parents/Carers will be able to order copies. More details will follow in due course.

### **Period products**

We have a plentiful supply of feminine hygiene products available in school. Please remind pupils to speak to Mrs Howard or the Pastoral Support Team if any supplies are needed.

### **Enrichment Update**

A reminder to keep checking our website for the latest enrichment opportunities which is updated weekly and can be found by clicking here [Enrichment Opportunities](#)

### **Vacancies**

We currently have staff vacancies on our website. Please do have a look and share with family and friends if you know anyone who may be interested <https://davidnieper.academy/about-us/vacancies/>

### **Upcoming Trips and Events**

Monday 16 to Friday 27 May  
Monday 16 May to Tuesday 28 June  
Tuesday 17 May  
Monday 23 May  
Friday 1 July  
Friday 1 July

Year 8 assessments  
Year 11 & 13 Summer Examinations  
Year 8 Parents Evening, 4-6pm, online  
Year 8 Parents Evening, 4-6pm, face-to-face  
Year 11 Leavers' assembly 9am  
Year 11 Leavers' Prom

### **Academic Year 2021/2022**

Tuesday 17 May  
Friday 27 May  
Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June  
Monday 6 June  
Monday 27 June  
Monday 20 to Friday 24 June  
Friday 22 July

Early close for pupils at 2pm (Staff training)  
Last day of half-term  
Half-term holidays  
All pupils return (Week A timetable)  
INSET day – academy closed  
Year 10 & 12 Mock Examinations  
Last day of term

### **Academic Year 2022/2023**

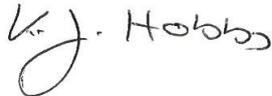
Thursday 1 & Friday 2 September  
Monday 5 September

INSET – academy closed to all pupils  
All pupils return for the new academic year

If we can help or support in any way, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us. Please email [info@davidnieper.academy](mailto:info@davidnieper.academy) and a member of staff will be in touch.

Enjoy the weekend.

Yours faithfully



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Headteacher