

Ref: KHO/116/22-23

10 February 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 5 Science Day

It was a delight to welcome a group of Year 5 children from our local cluster schools to attend a science taster day yesterday, for a fun-filled science experience hosted by Mr Dinh. The topic of the day was 'Up in the Air' and the children had the opportunity to learn about flight and carry out practical experiments. Paper aeroplanes, helicopters and rockets were made, and the children had a great time looking at the different forms of flight. The day culminated in an outside activity involving parachutes and eggs (not all survived!).



Careers Fair - Golden Tickets

Well done to the pupils who had thought and asked very relevant questions to finding out lots of valuable information about a variety of careers and courses at our Careers Fair last week. We received a lot of very positive feedback from the employers about the conversations that had taken place to which a total of 89 students were rewarded with Golden Tickets. Students entered their tickets into a prize draw and three students were selected to receive a £20 Amazon voucher each. Chocolate has been awarded to students who received Golden Tickets but were not drawn out in the prize draw.

Mental Health Information Evening – ALL WELCOME – Monday 13 February, 4pm

A reminder that our free mental health workshop from TLC (Therapy and Lifestyle Clinic), which is available to students and parents, takes place on Monday. The workshop will provide information on how to support your child with Anxiety, Low Mood, Self-Harm and Stress Management. There will also be the opportunity to discuss any issues around Mental Health with our Pastoral Team. Refreshments will be available. To book your place please email Mr Matthews on bmatthews@davidnieper.academy

Mobile Phones

A reminder that mobile phones are not to be used on the academy site by pupils in Years 7-11 (this includes the outside areas at the beginning and end of the school day). Ideally, we would like pupils not to bring mobiles to the academy at all but do understand that some parents wish children to have them with them for the journey to and from school. If mobiles or other electronic equipment are brought into school, devices must be switched off and kept in school bags or lockers. If mobiles are seen or used during the day they will be confiscated and kept in the main office, which pupils may collect at the end of the school day. If this happens for a second time parents will be asked to come to the academy to collect the phone. In the case of an emergency, parents can telephone main reception and we will get a message to your child. Equally if a pupil wishes to phone home for any reason, they are asked to speak to the PSMs who will make any necessary arrangements and who will contact parents if required.

Thank you for your support with this important aspect of our academy expectations and routines.

Our Mobile Phone and Electronic Device policy is available on our website for download. Click here to view the [Policy](#)

Community Litter pick

Please see the flyer at the end of this letter. All members of the Alfreton community are invited to support with a community litter pick on 25 February 2023 at 1pm at the Cricket Club.

World book day – 2 March 2023

Please see the flyer at the end of this letter. We are encouraging all pupils and families to get involved with World Bok day by having a photo taken reading a book in an unusual place. We look forward to sharing the winning photos.

NHS Vaccines – Tuesday 28 February, Year 9

Students in Year 9 are being offered their Teenage Booster (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Polio) and Meningitis ACWY vaccinations.

Please visit www.derbyshireandcityimms.co.uk/Forms/DTP to complete the consent form. The option to consent or decline the vaccination is at the end of the questionnaire so please complete the form whether you are consenting or not.

School name: **David Nieper Academy**

School code: **DD142405**

Date in school: **28 February 2023**

You can find out more information about vaccinations offered in school via the link below or on our website:

[A Guide to Immunisations for Young People](#)

www.derbyshirefamilyhealthservice.nhs.uk/our-services/5-10-years/school-age-immunisations

If you experience any problems, please contact the School Age Immunisation Team.

Repton: 01283 707178

Clay Cross: 01246 252953

DCHST.immunisationteam@nhs.net



Dates for the diary

Monday 13 February

Mental Health Information evening

Monday 20 – Friday 24 February

Half-term holidays

Monday 27 February

INSET day – academy closed

Tuesday 28 February

All pupils return, Week B timetable

Tuesday 28 February

NHS Vaccines

Thursday 2 March

Year 9 Parents Evening (face-to-face) – more information to follow

Monday 6 March

Year 9 Parents Evening (online) – more information to follow

w/c. 13 & 27 March

Year 11, 12 & 13 mock exams

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

Have a good weekend.

Yours faithfully

Dr K Hobbs
Headteacher

Community Litter Pick



COMMUNITY LITTER PICK

ALFRETON PARK

25TH FEBRUARY

IPM AT THE CRICKET

CLUB

Finishing at Snowdrop Festival St Martin's Church

2pm



Help us to celebrate

WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**

2 MARCH 2023



GET CAUGHT READING



Have your photo taken reading a
book in an unusual place

Either hand in or email your
photo to Mrs Bacon
lbacon@davidnieper.academy



Competition closes
2nd March

