



## Downs View

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well and have been able to enjoy the sunshine.

### Local Authority Education Budgets

You may have seen in the papers about the proposal from Brighton and Hove council that schools across the city should federate to share costs and save money with falling school numbers within the city. Head teachers, business managers and governors were invited to a meeting with councillors about this last week. Some information was shared about the proposal. There is no fixed plan as yet and the council plans to consult with all stakeholders. There is a lot more work and information that needs to be gathered around this and I will update you when I have more information. Any possible proposals or changes would not impact on the daily offer for pupils.

### Ofsted at DVLSC

We had a monitoring visit at DVLSC last week. We were pleased to have the opportunity to show the inspectors the learning at college. We are waiting for the report and will share this when it is published.

### New Classrooms at DVW

The new classrooms are now finished which means that all of the children that have been at Coldean will move over to the school from September. The provision at Coldean has been great and the school have been very welcoming to the pupils and staff that have been there.

### Staff Updates/Class Groups

Mike Waller joined us at DVLC on 3<sup>rd</sup> June. He will be teaching in Year 13 in a job share with Mhari Smith. We would like to welcome him to the college team.

We are just finalising the class groups and will shortly be able to share with you the class your child will be in from September and their teacher.

### Downs View School Sports Day

Just a reminder about sports day at the school on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Parents and carers are welcome to attend. Coldean Cubs with Foxes & Butterflies will have their event at 10.30-11.30 and for all other classes the event will take place in the afternoon. Please arrive from 1.30pm for a 1.45pm start.

### Summer Fun Day

We hope lots of you are able to come for the Fun Day on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June. We still needs lots more volunteers so if you are able to help on the day please sign up via the link sent out on Ping.

We also need donations for the tombola and raffle. Please send your donations into the office on your site.

Best Wishes,

*Vanessa*

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