



DAUBENEY

DESPATCH

September 2015

Daubeney Academy, Orchard Street, Kempston, MK42 7PS
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Message from the Head:

Welcome all to a new school year and a special welcome to all those joining Daubeney for the first time. This includes not only all the Year 5 pupils and their families, but also those pupils joining other year groups and our new members of staff.

Our new teachers are Mrs Muscroft, who is our new Design department leader and a Year 8 Form Tutor; Mr Brown, who strengthens our PE department and is a Year 6 Form Tutor; Mrs Junaid, who is a Year 5 Form Tutor; Mrs Mehmi and Miss Mann, who join our team of Teaching Assistants. Miss Parnell has become our new History Leader, replacing Mrs Kaler, who has taken on the role of Year 5 Progress Leader, following Mrs Lesinski's retirement. Finally, Mrs Chopping, the school's Achievement Leader, has replaced Mrs Bonar (who retired at the end of last term) as SENDCO, looking after the Special Needs department.

I am pleased to report that, despite the significant rainfall we experienced during the summer, the task of replacing nearly every roof in the school is now complete and the last bit of scaffolding has been taken down. Beneath the new roofs, the most extensive refurbishment the school has ever seen took place during the school's summer break, creating a better working environment for all.

Following the positive comments we received about the 'coffee morning' laid on for Year 5 parents in the Drama Hall on the first day of term, we intend to hold a similar event on the morning of the first day after every school holiday. Parents/carers of Daubeney pupils from all year groups will be welcome to join us.

Our next 'coffee morning' will take place from 8.50 to 10am on Tuesday, 3rd November (the day after the October half-term). I very much hope we will see you there.

Jeremy Chopping
Head teacher



Whole School Harvest Assembly

The Autumn Term traditionally marks the start of our annual Harvest Appeal. This year we shall be supporting the Salvation Army once again with our generous donations of food for people in our town who find themselves in need.

A letter has already been sent home giving further details on this annual event.

All donations should be brought to school before Tuesday 20th October, when your donations will be presented to the Salvation Army at our Harvest Assembly.

Thank you for your continuing support.



Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

We will again be hosting a Macmillan Coffee Afternoon which will take place on Friday 25th September, 2015. Further details will be sent home shortly but thank you to everyone in advance for supporting this event.

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Governor News

The Governors of Daubeney Academy send a huge welcome to all new pupils, their parents and their carers. The Academy Governors are all volunteers who are committed to providing the best education possible to Daubeney pupils. We can all be contacted through the Academy.



Reorganisation of Schools in Bedford Borough

You may be aware that the Mayor has initiated a programme of reorganisation of the schools in Bedford Borough. Kempston is very much in the forefront of these changes. Currently the Governors are involved in discussions with Bedford Borough Council about proposals for a major change of role for Daubeney.

Before any changes are accepted we will consult with the parents and carers of our current and future pupils and we will do our utmost to coordinate any changes with Springfield, Camestone, Hastingsbury and Wootton Schools.

Daubeney Academy Governing Board September 2015

Governor	Category	Governor	Category
Mr Jeremy Chopping	Head teacher	Mr Ken Deveson (Chair)	Founder
Mrs Sue Brown	Staff	Mrs Parbinder Kaur	Founder
Ms Emma Deards	Staff	Mrs Lynn Harris (Chair C&S)	Founder
Mr Steven Miles	Staff	Mr Chris English (Dep Chair)	Founder
Mrs Kim Davenport	Parent	Clr Carl Meader	LA
Vacant	Parent	Mr Keith Simmons (Chair F& GP)	Appointed
Vacant	Parent	Mr Geof Cole	Appointed
Mrs Claire Symes	Parent	Mrs Angie Meader	Appointed
Mrs Magdalena Finch	Associated	Mrs Vanesa Penzo	Appointed

We have vacancies for 2 Parent Governors. If you wish to have a major impact on the future success of Daubeney and its pupils then please consider joining us as a Parent Governor. Just contact the Academy Office (Tel: 01234 400111, or email office@daubeney.bbvle.com) and a current governor will be put in touch with you.

Dates for your Diary

- Friday 25th September—Macmillan Coffee Afternoon
- Wednesday 30th September—Year 5 Welcome Afternoon
- Tuesday 20th October—Whole School Harvest Assembly
- Friday 23rd October—25 Merits Non-school Uniform Day
- Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October, 2015—Half Term**
- Monday 2nd November, 2015—Teacher Training Day (school closed to pupils)
- Tuesday 3rd November, 2015—School open to pupils**
- Tuesday 3rd November, 2015—All Parents/Carers Coffee Morning
- Thursday 12th November—School Open Evening for Year 5 intake September 2016
- Thursday 19th November—Year 6 Parents Evening
- Tuesday 24th November—Year 6 Parents Evening
- Friday 11th December—Year 6 Panto Trip
- Wednesday 16th December—Christmas Concert (Kempston East Methodist Church)
- 18th December, 2015—Last Day of Term (school open to pupils)
- Monday 4th January, 2016—Teacher Training Day (school closed to pupils)
- Tuesday 5th January 2016—School open to pupils—Spring Term**