



# Dane Court School

# Grammar

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**Open Day**  
Wednesday October  
24th 2012

**Trips**  
27th/28th September  
**Year 8** Geography to  
Kingsgate Bay

10th/12th October  
**Year 9** Geography to  
Wye Downs

18th October **Year 9**  
History visit to Ypres

**Examination dates;**  
**Year 11** Mock exams  
Nov 5-14th

**Year 10** Maths  
module Nov 6th

**Year 11** Maths  
module Nov 12th

**Year 11** English  
controlled assessment  
Nov 26th

**Year 10** English  
controlled assessment  
Nov 27th

**Year 11** Science  
ISA's week beginning  
Dec 10th.

## Lost property

Can we remind parents of the importance of naming all clothing and equipment. If an item is named we will do our best to ensure the item is returned to its owner.

If items are unnamed we will store them for a short period of time before distributing them to local charity shops.

## News from Dane Court

Dear Parent/Guardian

I am delighted to be welcoming you to the beginning of the academic year as your new Head of School. I hope you have had a restful and fulfilling summer break.

My warmest congratulations to those of you who have a son or daughter who returns to us with GCSE and AS qualifications achieved during the last academic year; well done! As a parent myself I understand the huge family commitment needed to support a young person during their studies.

I extend a warm welcome to new families joining us this term. I am sure you share my sense of pride at being part of the Dane Court community; it really is a fabulous place to be. I am looking forward to working with you all this year to ensure the best possible outcomes for your sons and daughters.

The greatest asset of any school is its people and at Dane Court we are lucky to have such an outstanding and dedicated team of teaching and support staff. It is by working in close partnership with you that we can ensure that our young people enjoy the best possible education while they are in our care.

The coming year will see us building the expertise of our team to focus on maintaining our outstanding pastoral provision; sharing and developing our teaching expertise in the wider community, and further enhancing the learning skills of our students.

Education is the most rewarding and challenging of professions made more fulfilling when working closely with the families of our young people. If you should have a question or concern about our work during the course of the year, please do come and talk to me or a member of our outstanding leadership team and we will do our very best to help.

With every best wish for a successful and fulfilling academic year.

Yours sincerely

Ms. M. Wolloshin

## Kent Youth Sports Team of the Year

Our Year 10 Football Team, twice winners of the Kent Cup, have been short-listed for the voting stage of this year's Kent Sports Awards promoted by Kent Regional News and Media.

You can vote for our marvellous team by quoting code **1038** on the form in The Isle of Thanet Gazette this week (commencing 10 September 2012).

Alternatively you can vote by texting **KN SPORT 1038** followed your name and post-code to **65100**. Texts cost 50 pence plus one standard network rate message.



## Harrison's Catering

Harrison's Catering is the company who supply lunches, snacks and drinks for students on a daily basis. They now have a salad bar available for students to choose their own salad pots. Medium salads sell for £1.30 and large for £1.80. Salads can be incorporated into a 'Meal Deal' for £2.20. Theme days are a popular feature of lunches and the next one at the end of September will present an Italian flavour with many of the dishes based around traditional Italian cuisine.

A reminder that students can pay for lunches by bringing in a cheque made payable to Harrison Catering Services Ltd and placed in the cheque box available. There is also a pre-order form for students wishing to place a specific order. Students can just fill in the form and hand it to a member of the catering staff in the coffee shop.



Now in its 5th year, the 'Let's Grow' programme aims to help schools capture the imagination of the nations' children by showing them where food comes from and inspiring them to grow their own fruit and vegetables in the school grounds. Our gardens are developing nicely and we would be grateful if you have any Let's Grow vouchers will you drop them into reception. Many thanks from our garden enthusiasts.

## Volunteers required

In the past few years we have had volunteers working within the learning support department helping students in the classroom, as well as outside the classroom doing 1-1 or small group work. These volunteers have been students taking a year out before going to university, students who have recently graduated and cannot find a job, as well as some older people interested in going into teaching or becoming teaching assistants. A few have worked full time with us while others have just worked a few days a week. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or know somebody else who would benefit from some valuable and often rewarding work experience please contact our SENCo **Alison Sonnex** ([sonnex@danecourt.kent.sch.uk](mailto:sonnex@danecourt.kent.sch.uk)). Thank you.

## Parent's Association dates 2012

AGM	Wed	3rd October, 6.45pm
Boot Fair	Sat	13th October
Quiz	Fri	9th Nov, 7.15pm

## 2013

Quiz	Fri	2nd March, 7.15pm
Boot Fair	Sat	9th March
Boot Fair	Sat	13th April
Boot Fair	Sat	11th May
Boot Fair	Sat	8th June
Family Fun Day	Sat	29th June
Boot Fair	Sat	13th July

## Food Technology



We would warmly like to invite all Parents of Year 7 students to attend the International Food Evening, which is being held at 6.00-8.00pm on Thursday 6th December. The students will be preparing for this event in their Food Technology lessons shortly and more details will be sent to you in the coming weeks. The

invitation is extended to any Parents and friends of the school who would like to attend.

If anyone would like to help us in any way such as assisting with practical lessons or providing raffle prizes please contact any member of the Food Technology department.

A reminder to all parents: If your child is in Key Stage 3 they will be cooking approximately every other week. Students are given a weeks notice and we would appreciate your help in ensuring that they bring the necessary ingredients plus a suitable container to transport the food home in.

Many thanks for your continued support.

## Parent's Association AGM Wednesday October 3rd 2012

Both parents and teachers are invited to this meeting, which will be held in the Library starting at 6.45pm.

## The Agenda will be:

- \* Minutes of the 2011 A.G.M.
- \* Matters arising
- \* Chairman's Report
- \* Treasurer's Report
- \* Head Teacher's report
- \* Nomination of teachers to be ex-officio committee members
- \* Election of new parent Committee members
- \* Any other business.