

Families' Bulletin

Week commencing Monday 31 October 2022

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Families

It is the end of half term and you have a Sackville News coming out today so I will keep this short and sweet. One of the highlights of this week was meeting with **Year 7 families** last night at our **Meet the Tutor evening** in school. **Mr Street** and **Mr Treen** gave presentations on our Attitude to Learning and Assessment system and E-safety and parents/carers had an opportunity to see their child's first set of grades and meet with the form tutor and Head of Year **Mr Endersby and Transition coordinator Mrs Brown**. Such a valuable evening as we strengthen those new relationships to help ensure our Year 7s achieve.

Towards the other end of the school our **Year 11** are just coming to the end of two weeks of **mock exams** and they have really done themselves proud and can now enjoy a well deserved rest before seeing how they have got on after half term.

When we come back after half term our **Year 11 Geographers** will be heading off on a **trip to London**, all **Year 11** will be having a **Safer Roads Campaign** session, we will have our second **Observatory evening** of the year and we will be running a second **anti-bullying session** of the year based around anti-racism and LGBTQ community. Plus, sports fixtures, clubs and much much more for our students to get involved with.

First we all get to enjoy a little bit of down time with friends and family ready to come back refreshed for the exciting term ahead.

Jo Meloni Headteacher

Value of the Week - The Sackville Way

Kindness 'Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible'.

Hot Chocolate with the Head



In today's Hot Choc Friday I had the pleasure of meeting 7 students Charlie, George, Daisy, Izzy, Mathew, Samuel and Harrison, each nominated by staff for demonstrating one or more of our Sackville values. Special mention goes to Matthew and Samuel who I had the pleasure of awarding certificates to from the National Physics challenge in which they both achieved merits. Congratulations to them both and to the other students who have supported our community through being anti-bullying ambassadors, helping others, excelling in their work and leadership.



Key Dates

Monday 24 – Friday 28 October Monday 31 October Wednesday 2 November Tuesday 8 November Wednesday 9 November Monday 14 November Thursday 17 November Friday 18 November Half-Term
Year 11 Geography London Trip
Observatory Evening – 7.00pm-9.00pm
Sixth Form Options Evening – 5.00pm-7.00pm
INSET Day – No Students in School
Year 12 Chemistry Trip to London
Year 10 Consultation Evening – 4.00pm-7.00pm
Year 10 Multi-Lingual Poetry Slam – selected students

Remember you can see the full parents' calendar here

School Notices

Parking on Bourg De Peage Avenue

A resident has asked us to politely remind our families that if you are parking on Bourg De Peage Avenue at pick up and drop off times, to kindly be considerate when parking and not blocking their driveways.

We appreciate that parking around the school is tight at these times and it may mean some cars parking slightly further from the school but still a safe distance for students to walk. Thank you for your cooperation.

Year Group/Department Notices

Year 7 Languages

All year 7 students will receive an email with a Google form regarding their language preferences on Friday 21 October. We would be grateful if you would complete this form with your child and submit it by Monday 31 October.

Miss L Stewart

Team Leader for Modern Foreign Languages

Year 11 Update

As you read this, year 11 will have completed their first set of mock exams. Huge congratulations to them all for handling the last fortnight so well. Their behaviour has been exemplary and they have made me remarkably proud. I look forward to reviewing their results as they come in.

Catch-up sessions for core subjects will be taking place on the first Tuesday and Wednesday on our return as follows:

- Tuesday period 1 and 2: Maths
- Tuesday period 3 and 4: Science
- Wednesday period 1 and 2: Science
- Wednesday period 3 and 4: English

Finer details of this will be shared in due course, including catch-ups in other subjects.

Today, all year 11 will have been emailed about the prom at the end of the year. Hoorah! They have been asked to complete a Google Form for me, so please encourage them to do so.

We return on Monday 31 October with a full on week. Monday sees the Geography trip taking place; on Wednesday and Thursday the sixth form team will be running workshops in preparation for the sixth form open evening on **Tuesday 8 November** and Friday sees year 11 participating in a safer roads workshop; all go! May I wish you and your child/ren a happy holiday!

Mr Craig Thompson

Leader of Year 11

Safeguarding Weekly

Safe Against Scams



More than ever before, we have been relying on technology to enable us to work, learn and connect with each other. Inevitably, criminals have exploited and used our increased digital lives to their advantage. The pandemic has seen a rise in scams including: telephone, courier and romance fraud which have all become an increased concern in West Sussex. Not only is there the financial impact on victims but the emotional impact can be even more significant.

To help raise awareness of these different types of scams, how to spot them, and what to do if you or your family become a victim, the West Sussex Community Safety & Wellbeing Team, alongside Trading Standards, are running free monthly scams awareness webinars for you to attend.

23 November 10-11.30. Reserve a space here

7 February 14.00-15.30. Reserve a space here

Vacancies



Cleaners required to work in a friendly atmosphere at

Sackville School, East Grinstead

£10.65 per hour (inclusive of annual leave entitlement)

Monday-Friday hours negotiable

Hours - minimum of 2 hours per session

Previous applicants need not re-apply.

Sackville is a large, mixed, 11-18 comprehensive with 1700 on roll. We are a STEM school, leader in Space Education and hold International School, Artsmark Silver, Healthy School and Good Schools Guide awards. We are a popular, expanding and over-subscribed school.

Our GCSE results are consistently strong with extremely positive progress 8 scores. Our A level progress is at the top end of all local authority providers.

Further details are available from Nickie Clapson on 01342 410140

Please address your application form and safer recruiting sheet (available on website) to Ms Jo Meloni, Incoming Headteacher and send to Mrs K Rowlingson, PA to the Headteacher at krowlingson@sackvilleschool.org.uk

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Invigilators Required

We are seeking to recruit new invigilators, term time, for exam periods only. We presently have a group of dedicated invigilators, and are looking for individuals to expand the team, who can promote a supportive atmosphere for our students so that they achieve their best.

A good command of written and spoken English is essential for this role together with an ability to communicate confidently with both staff and students.

This role will suit applicants looking for flexible working hours both in school and after school hours with emphasis on <u>being available for at least 3 days per week for both morning and afternoon sessions</u> during the busy examination season (May and June 2023) as well as several other times throughout the academic year for pre-public (mock) examinations.

Applications are invited from candidates who have:

- . The ability to work well in a team as well as having the initiative to work alone
- The ability to respond quickly and implement necessary action in unexpected/emergency situations

Invigilation will be on an ad-hoc basis. Hours of employment will vary greatly throughout examination periods. Exact dates and times will be agreed prior to each examination session and will be dependent on the work available and the availability of the applicant.

£10.65 per hour (inclusive of holiday pay)

Further details are available from Julie Beswick

01342 410140

Please address your letter of application together with the application form to Ms Jo Meloni, Headteacher and send to Mrs K Rowlingson, PA to the Headteacher at krowlingson@sackvilleschool.org.uk

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Wellbeing



I read and finished my book yesterday instead of doing my wellbeing bit! Hence it is late, please find it below.

I can hardly believe that October is coming to a close. I have enjoyed the trees on my daily commute, seeing the colours change through shades of yellow, orange, red and brown has been a pleasure. I hope that whatever you have planned for next week, you have some downtime factored in. Please find below next month's Action for Happiness Calendar based on *New Ways November*.

Hannah Nibloe



EXTERNAL CLUBS, EVENTS AND SERVICES

BACP qualified Counsellor

I am writing to let you know that we currently have space available with our BACP qualified Counsellor for children in East Grinstead. I am sure there are pupils at Sackville who could benefit from this hence sending this email to you.

Nicola Dalton is based at Jubilee Community Centre on Charlwoods Road in East Grinstead. Nicola offers counselling on a Monday morning at the Centre, a full priced session is £48.00 but we are currently part funded by JCC and for families who cannot afford the full session a contribution of as little as £10.00 per session is requested. We would love to support more East Grinstead families so if there is a pupil who you feel could benefit from the support, please make a direct referral using our website, visit https://www.fegans.org.uk/ and select Contact us > Make a referral.

If you have any questions or would like to know more about Fegans parent support or counselling, please feel free to contact to me sross@spurgeons.org.

Sally Ross
Parent Support Worker at





Fegans is part of Spurgeons, a leading UK charity supporting vulnerable children and families.

The UK Harvest

The UK Harvest are a charity on a mission to Nourish Our Nation; protecting the environment by rescuing good quality food destined for landfill, educating on nutrition, cookery skills and reducing food waste in the home.

They are offering **free** cookery sessions to all members of the local community, to help fight waste and save money during the rising cost of living. These are fun-filled live cook-a-longs that will help everyone to eat healthily, fight food waste and save money by learning to cook from everyday ingredients. If it isn't possible for some to join the online sessions, we have a range of free resources available too!



This project has been funded by Tesco Community Grants and is being made available throughout the country.

Their team of professional chefs, qualified nutritionists, experienced teachers and food waste experts have developed these sessions to be both engaging and educational.

Through these courses your local community will be empowered to help the environment by reducing waste and saving money by making the most the weekly shop. These are enjoyable sessions that will appeal to anyone with an interest in food, healthy eating, shopping on a budget and/or the environment.

Full details of the course and more information can be found on the event page

here: www.ukharvest.org.uk/nourished



