

# Families' Bulletin

# Week commencing Monday 28 November 2022

### **HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE**

**Dear Families** 

Happy Friday again, this term really does seem to be flying by at a rapid pace.

My highlight of the week has been walking around the school talking to students about what they are learning. Whether it be isometric diagrams in **Year 8 Design and Technology**, distorted portrait **photography** in **Year 12** or **Year 7** students learning about economically developed and developing countries in **geography**. Seeing the engagement in lessons and the positive learning environment is great to see.

A second highlight of the week has to be our fantastic **Winter Concert**. Over 200 students from **Years 7-13** performed side by side, learning from each other and having the confidence to share their talent to a full hall of families and members of the local community. The finale included two pieces from our up and coming **school show**, **Grease** which I am already looking forward to week beginning **6 February**. Save the date in your diary, it's going to be a cracker!

Also this week 4 students in **Year 10**, Darcy, Xander, Melissa and Pippa took part in the **Young Chef competition** organised by the **Rotary** club under the expertise of Mrs Slater and our food team. We are really grateful to the Rotary for supporting our students and providing these opportunities for them to learn from industry experts and excel in something they really enjoy. Imberhorne came out as eventual winners on this occasion but I know our students gained a huge amount from the experience.

**Trips** this week have included Year 13 Travel and Tourism students **on a visit** to Holmbush Paintball to complete a unit on event management and **Year 10** went to the theatre in the West End, to see a production of 'Come from Away' as part of their course.

Finally, I would like to **thank you** again for your support with our **Children in Need** non-uniform day last week. We raised a total of £880.00!

Jo Meloni Headteacher



Value of the week - EQUALITY

We have chosen this week's value which is a timely reflection of students' discussions in Learning for Life this week around equal rights and cultural differences focusing on Qatar World Cup. These words from Nelson Mandela might be a good opportunity to pause and think this coming week.

"Remember that hope is a powerful weapon even when all else is lost".

## **Key Dates**

Mon 28 Nov – Thurs 1 Dec Year 13 Mock Exams

Tuesday 29 November Year 9 Forest School trip to Gravetye Manor Woods

Thursday 1 December Sixth Form Meet the Tutor Evening Wednesday 7 December Observatory Evening – 7.00pm-9.00pm

Tuesday 13 December Year 7 Celebration Assembly – 8.55am – 7EWY,7FSH,7HMY,7KHL and 7RHN Wednesday 14 December Year 7 Celebration Assembly – 9.05am – JEMA,7KPY,7SCT,7SDT and 7SSG

Thursday 15 December Carol Service – St Swithun's Church

Friday 16 December Last Day of Term

Friday 10 February Year's 7 to 9 – Influenza Vaccination Programme

# Remember you can see the full parents' calendar here

# **Extra-Curricular Clubs**

We offer a wide range of after school activities at Sackville. You can browse through all the clubs <u>HERE</u>. If you have any questions regarding a particular activity, please contact the member of staff who is running the club.

# **Hot Chocolate with the Head**



It was cheers all round for Hot Choc Friday today as I welcomed Freddie, George, Scarlett, Emily, Beth and Charlie. The Sackville values they were nominated by their teachers for were Resilience, Kindness, Teamwork and Leadership.

Well done everyone.



# **Safeguarding and Online Safety**

# Online Safety - Mr Kevin Treen

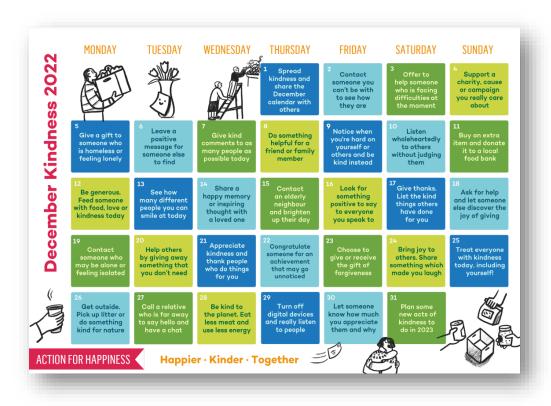
LGFL have created an excellent portal area for parents regarding keeping children safe online with links and video support. This is really worth all parents checking this out and having conversations with your child to understand what they are doing online and how to have some of those difficult conversations.

https://parentsafe.lgfl.net/

# Wellbeing



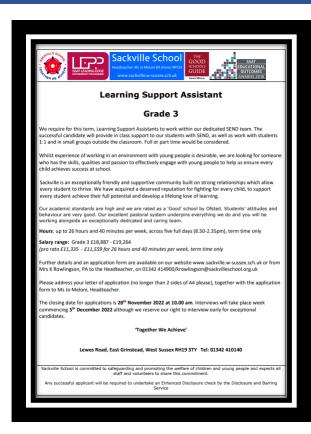
I'm channelling my inner teacher now and checking up to see if you did the task I set last week, you can call it homework if you like....! How many of you took part in World Hello Day on Monday? If you did, what impact did it have on you and your mood Monday? If you didn't, why not? Either way, could you set yourself the same challenge, but every day?!



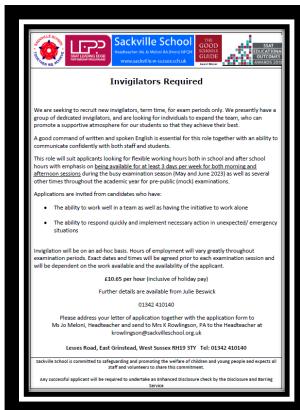
I can hardly believe that next week heralds the beginning of December and for some of us this coming weekend marks the beginning of Advent and the countdown to Christmas. This month's **Action for Happiness** Calendar theme is Do Good December. It is jam packed full of feel good ideas that will make you feel good and those in your family and local community. I know that the local food bank have a Christmas item appeal at the moment, supporting them would tie in with Sunday 11th's action.

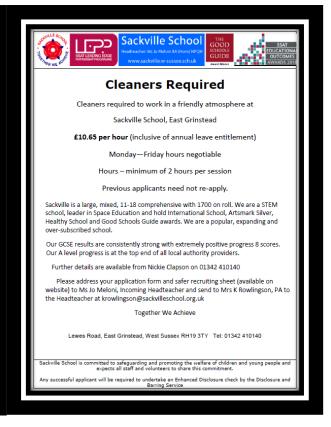
### **Hannah Nibloe**

## **Vacancies**









Please follow the appropriate link to view any current vacancies within <u>teaching</u> and <u>support staff</u> areas of the school.

# **External Clubs, Events and Services**



Too Many Children in West Sussex Don't Have a Loving Place to Call Home ...

22/11/2022 | Schools' Correspondence

We urgently need foster carers for the 850 children we care for, and we need your help! Refer a friend and you'll both receive £750 when they join our fostering family. Foster carers for WSCC receive comprehensive training, ongoing 24/7 professional support and a competitive financial package. From respite care for short periods, to supported lodgings to help those aged 16-21 learn to live independently, there are many types of fostering. Please visit the website for details. The Refer-a-Friend scheme is open to WSCC staff and current foster carers only (exclusions apply).

## **UKSA Sports Camp**

### **UKSA Sports Camp** Hockey, Netball & Mini Sports 20 & 21 December

#### @ Handcross Park School, Haywards Heath

BLACK FRIDAY PRICE DROP - For a limited time only, we have Price Dropped the cost of booking this two day camp by over 15% to £90.00.

This offer is valid from Friday 25 November to midnight on Friday 2 December.

Book now for Hockey, Netball & Mini Sports. Take advantage of our NEW earlier drop off time of 9.15am at Handcross Park School.

Coaching staff include both current and ex international player coaches alongside our experienced team of elite regular coaches.

- 10.00am 3.45pm (NEW drop off from 9.15am, pick up by 4.00pm)
- 20 & 21 December Holidays Book here Handcross Park, Haywards Heath Hockey:- 7- 11yrs & 12-16yrs Netball:- 7- 10yrs & 11-14yrs Mini Sports:- 5-7yrs

12-16yrs

Netball: Book here

11-14yrs

Mini Sports: Book here

Sports Camps in 2023 to put in your diary.

- 14 & 15 February 2023 Half Term Book here Handcross Park, Haywards Heath Hockey:- 7- 11yrs & 12-16yrs Netball:- 7- 10yrs & 11-14yrs Mini Sports:- 5-7yrs
- 4 & 5 April Easter 2023 Holidays Book here Handcross Park, Haywards Heath Hockey:- 7- 11yrs & 12-16yrs Netball:- 7- 10yrs & 11-14yrs Mini Sports:- 5-7yrs

#### Cost/Offers

- 1 day £60; 2 days £108
- 5% sibling or multi camp discount automatically applied
  Packed Lunches are available at some venues when you book online £7 per day.
- 'Refer a friend' Discount for your friend/Gift Voucher for you!
  Pay online using Debit or Credit Card

 $\textbf{Please email} \underline{\textbf{wendy@uksportsacademy.com}} \ \textbf{with details of your voucher provider, before} \\$ attempting a booking