



Families' Bulletin

Monday 1 May to Friday 5 May 2023

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Families

I will keep this relatively short as I am sure like me, you are looking forward to a lovely Bank Holiday weekend ahead. Even though the formal written exam season is not quite upon us yet, we have had a number of other exams in Art and the Performing Arts this week, as well as Speaking and Listening exams. Our students are already doing themselves proud and I am sure you will join me in wishing them a bit of down time over the coming long weekend too.

You will hopefully have received a letter from me earlier today regarding the new community system and the uniform. A link to the letter can also be found [here](#).

Following the industrial action that took place yesterday, I said that we would review and confirm our provision for next Tuesday, the last in the current planned days of industrial action. You can read the separate letter [here](#), but in short, **just Years 11-13** will be expected in school and for the **full day**. They must arrive by 8.25am at the latest and in full school uniform.

Have a lovely weekend.

Ms Jo Meloni
Headteacher

Key Dates for the Diary

Monday 1 May

Saturday 6 May

Monday 8 May

Monday 15 May

Thursday 25 May

Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May

Wednesday 21 June

Wednesday 28 June

Tue 17, Wed 18 and Thurs 19 July

Friday 20 July

Bank Holiday

Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Expedition

Bank Holiday – Coronation of King Charles III

Year 11 Start of the GCSE Exams

Year 7 Consultation Evening – 4.00pm - 7.00pm

Half-Term

Year 11 GCSE Exams End

Year 11 Contingency Day

Curriculum Enhancement

Last Day of Term

You can view the full parents' calendar [here](#)

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 quality rather than quantity today for Hot Chocolate Friday and I was delighted to spend time with both Stevie and Matt. They were both part of a student panel for interviews held earlier this week and I was once again blown away by how articulate, perceptive and engaging they both were. We all shared a passion for football which was a big talking point as well as their passions for what they might want to do after school. We were joined towards the end by Lily. She and the rest of her friends who have been doing a 27 mile challenge for charity will be joining me next week.



Jo Meloni

School Notices

Southdown Buses – Closure of Moor Lane, Dormansland:

I am writing to you to inform you of the upcoming closure of **Moor Lane** in **Dormansland** and the impact that it will have on the local buses, and therefore, your student's journey to and from school.

Moor Lane in Dormansland will be closed from Tuesday 2 May until Wednesday 17 May, buses will be diverting as follows:

Route 236 - Buses will be diverting via Haxted in both directions and will not serve stops along Mill Hill, Marsh Green Road, Moor Lane, Plough Road, Dormans Road, Racecourse Road or Station Road.

Route 646 - Buses will be diverting via Hartfield Road, A264, Sandhawes Hill and Dormans High Street. They will **not** serve stops along Marsh Green Road, Moor Lane or Plough Road.

The diversion for route 646 will mean that this service will be delayed in the morning by about 10-15 minutes, however, this diversion route means that we are still able to serve most of those that use the service.

If parent/carers have any questions, they are more than welcome to contact the depot on 01342 719 619.

Thank you.

Mr Michael Miller
Operations Manager, Southdown Buses

Year Group Notices

'Find It out Thursdays' – All Year Groups

Students across all year groups have the opportunity to come and hear from visitors from different industries, during period 5 on a Thursday. They can find out directly from those that know what that profession is like, ask them questions, start to explore different careers available and consider if they are right for them. We invite a different profession each week and your child is able to sign up for one talk, each half term.

Please encourage your child to sign up and use these opportunities to start investigating the different careers.

- **Thursday 4 May - ARMY.** Always a very popular talk. The roles and opportunities are endless, training to be a soldier, medic, animal welfare to office based roles. Come and hear from those in the know there are so many roles and positions that could be right for you.
- **Thursday 11 May – MARK GRIST - After school from 3.00pm.** Come and hear from this multi-award-winning poet, rapper and storyteller. Mark is an accomplished writer and inspirational speaker. Take this opportunity to hear how you can develop your writing skills from someone who knows.
- **Thursday 25 May – MATT BROWN.** talking about the vast amount of opportunities in the automotive industry from training to be a mechanic through to the sales and marketing side of the industry. If you have a love for engines or want to use your creative side to sell come and find out what positions would suit you.

If your child is interested in any of these talks please ask them to sign up using this [Link](#).

Remember you can sign up for one talk.

Mrs Helen Smith
Futures Leader

'Find It Out Thursday' – All Year Groups – Thursday 11 May 3.00pm

Mark Grist, poet and rapper will be hosting a 'Find It Out Thursday' session on Thursday 11 May at 3.00pm in B01 for all year groups. Please encourage pupils to come along and find out about being successfully self-employed, increasing your online presence, and being a published writer, famous rap battler, and poet!

Ms Lucy Wernham



Extra Curricular Activities

Summer Term Timetable

We offer a wide range of after school activities at Sackville. You can browse through all the clubs, by year group, via the website link [HERE](#).

Is BeReal Safe for My Child?

The NSPCC has some really useful advice about the popular image-sharing app BeReal, where you can post your own pictures as well as view other people's. Users can only post once a day and are only able to see their friends' images if they have shared their own.

At a different time every day users receive an alert telling them it's 'Time to BeReal'. This gives them two minutes to take a picture, using both the front and back camera of their device and post it on the app. You may not be familiar with how safe this app is, but their advice page looks at potential risks, plus top tips for staying safe.

[Is BeReal Safe For My Child?](#)

Current Vacancies

One of the many great features of Sackville School is the fact that many colleagues do stay here a long time. Unfortunately for us, that does mean that we have a number of staff who are reaching retirement now or in the near future, both teaching and support staff. This will result in a number of vacancies becoming available over the coming weeks, months and years. **If you or someone you know are thinking of joining our team** and are interested in any of the positions below, please follow the corresponding link. If the perfect role isn't listed below, but you know someone who shares our vision and ethos and is interested in joining our team, please do **enquire via the vacancies page on our website** so that we can get in touch if something comes up in the future.

- [Head of Modern Foreign Languages](#)
- [Teacher of History](#)
- [Teacher of English](#)
- [Teacher of Computing](#)

Please follow the appropriate link to view any current vacancies within [teaching](#) and [support staff](#) areas of the school.

Wellbeing



External Clubs, Events and Services



CORONATION PARTY
Sunday 7th May 1pm-5pm
East Grinstead High Street

Free for all to attend. High St. closed to traffic

Live music throughout the afternoon from:
So Blues, Nic & Dave, Two Weeks in Nashville & Red Lion Band

CHILDREN'S COMPETITIONS

Bring your own chair and a picnic or support your local businesses. No outside vendors.

FOR DETAILS GO TO: beingneighbourly.co.uk
@BeingNeighbourly or call 01342 545044



CRAWLEY MARINERS YACHT CLUB
OPEN DAY
Sunday 7th May 2023
10am - 4pm

- Not to be missed
- Bring friends & family
- More than a sailing club!

Good news!
Try sailing for free

Where we sail
Hedgecourt Lake,
RH19 2QG

The friendliest?
We'd like to think so

www.cmyc.co.uk

Medication & Illness

Medication



To ensure that we continue to support students when they are unwell, we need to make sure our records are up-to-date. As a school we will continue to administer ad-hoc medication as per the consent slip you have completed. If you wish for this to change, please contact the relevant year team. Should your child be diagnosed with any new medical condition please contact us. In addition, should your child's medical condition change (i.e., they no longer need to use their inhaler) please contact their year team.

We will continue to provide the support and medical assistance you have already agreed to unless we hear from you.

Illness

In order to keep the more vulnerable members of our school community safe, a reminder to inform the school if your child contracts any of the following: Chickenpox, Shingles, Measles or Mumps. Please call the relevant year office, thank you in advance.

