

Families' Bulletin

Monday 12 June to Friday 16 June 2023

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Families

This week has ended on a lovely high with the news that our amazing **U14 Boys Cricket** team beat Worth school last night to make it through to the Lord's Taverners Sussex County Cup semi-final. Mr Currie informs me that it is almost twenty years since Sackville reached this stage of the competition, which is often dominated by private schools, so it really is a fantastic achievement. We all wish the boys the very best of luck in the semi-final.

A selection of other things that have been going on this week include year 10 design technology students on a visit to East Grinstead High Street, to carry out a survey on the different types of food providers that exist in the local area and the variety of services they offer, the Police visiting to speak to our year 12 criminology students and all year 12 had a fantastic day yesterday either starting their UCAS applications for University or working on alternative Futures plans and applications with Mrs Smith and Mr Dupoy.

Have a good weekend and enjoy the taste of summer.

Ms Jo Meloni Headteacher

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Mid Sussex Federation of Schools

Key Dates for the Diary

Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 Year 10 DofE Bronze Training Expedition

Tuesday 13 June Year 10 Art Trip

Tuesday 20 June Year 8 Consultation Evening (online event)

Wednesday 21 June Year 11 GCSE Exams End

Wednesday 21 June INSET DAY – Exams will still be taking place as normal on this day

Friday 23 to Sunday 25 June Year 11 DofE Silver Expedition

Wednesday 28 June Year 11 Contingency Day

Thursday 29 June **Year 11** Prom – 5.00pm to 11.00pm

Thursday 29 June Sixth Form Prom – 6.00pm to 11.00pm – High Rocks
Tuesday 4 July Year 11 – Year 11 into Year 12 Evening – 5.00pm to 6.30pm

Saturday 8 to Monday10 July Year 10 Geography Trip

Mon 17, Tue 18 and Wed 19 July Years 7,8,9 & 10 Curriculum Enhancement Week

Monday 17 to Friday 21 July

Year 10 Spanish Trip

Friday 21 July

Last Day of Term

You can view the full parents' calendar <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



I had the pleasure of meeting with 5 delightful students today. Both **Rory** and **Destiny** in years 7 and 8 were a true inspiration with their separate **fundraising** activities. **Lewis** was nominated for the exceptional way he models our Sackville values and shows **kindness** to those around him. Sixth Formers **Erin** and **Macie** are also doing something



fantastic for **charity** by devising and filming a new promotional film for the East Grinstead food bank, having been inspired from what they were learning about the organisation in their Philosophy A level lessons.

Each and every one of them a real credit to us showing **Kindness** and modelling so many of our **Sackville Values** including **Community, Positivity, Inclusivity**.

Jo Meloni

School Notices

INSET DAY – Wednesday 21 June 2023

Please note that any exams that are scheduled for Wednesday 21 June WILL still be taking place as planned.

Paul Street, Deputy Head

Second Hand School Uniform

If you have any school uniform/PE kit you are willing to donate to the school, we would be most grateful. Items can be dropped off to the main reception during normal school hours.

Many thanks

Sharon Hill, Welfare

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 <u>HERE</u>.

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.

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

Online Safety

What Does Your Digital Footprint Look Like?

Every time you do something online, you add to your digital footprint - the impression you create on the internet through your online activity.

We've all heard the expression 'What goes online, stays online' so do you ever think about exactly what you're doing online, who might see it and what they could do with it?

Our partners, GetSafeOnline, have put together some expert tips to help you manage your digital footprint. Find out more by clicking on the button below.

Link to Your Digital Footprint

Wellbeing



Did you know that it is **National Smile month** between 15 May and 15 June. The first focus of the month is to raise our awareness of oral health and to inspire us to take care of our smiles. One of the ways to do this is to recognise the importance of proper dental hygiene, including regular brushing, flossing, and routine dental check-ups. There is a second strand to National Smile Month, a smile is a powerful tool that can brighten someone's day and spread positivity. Not only this but when we smile we release some of our happy hormones; dopamine, serotonin and endorphins. Endorphins act as a mild pain reliever, serotonin is an antidepressant. If this wasn't enough, when you smile your brain releases tiny molecules called neuropeptides to help fight off stress. The sentiments behind National Smile month tie in with Action for Happiness' calendar for June, **Joyful June**. Perhaps completing some of these daily activities may help us to smile more and, in turn, hack some of our happiness chemicals.

Hannah Nibloe



External Clubs, Events and Services



Medication & Illness

Medication



inhaler) please contact their year team.

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

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.

