



# Families' Bulletin

Week commencing Monday 14 November 2022

## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Families

Today is an important day as we join people across the commonwealth in pausing to reflect and honour members of the armed forces who have died in the line of duty since World War I. The week began with **Mr Feist** delivering a powerful and informative **assembly** on Remembrance, including a story about the unknown warrior who now rests in Westminster Abbey.



Our **history department** has also commissioned a display of poppies in the school which have been **created by students** across the school, each poppy dedicated to a lost soldier that the students have researched.

To commemorate Remembrance Day this year at Sackville, we held 2 minutes' silence across the school, which was preceded by **Wilfie in Year 10** playing the last post and **Armina and Suzie in Sixth Form**, reading the poem Flanders Field. Students performed beautifully in a poignant moment of our community coming together. As ever, the sense of **community** really resonates across our school.



Jo Meloni  
Headteacher



**Community:** "No-one can whistle a symphony. It takes a whole orchestra to play it".

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## Key Dates

Monday 14 November	<b>Year 12</b> Chemistry Trip to London
Thursday 17 November	<b>Year 10</b> Consultation Evening – 4.00pm-7.00pm
Friday 18 November	Children in Need – <b>Non-Uniform Day</b>
Friday 18 November	<b>Year 10</b> Multi-Lingual Poetry Slam – selected students
Friday 18 November	<b>Sixth Form</b> Film & Media – Trip to Pinewood Studios
Wednesday 23 November	Winter Concert
Thursday 1 December	<b>Sixth Form</b> Meet the Tutor Evening
Wednesday 7 December	Observatory Evening – 7.00pm-9.00pm
Thursday 15 December	Carol Service – St Swithun's Church

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 on this link [HERE](#).

## Hot Chocolate with the Head



**Mr Street** was **delighted** to join us for Hot Choc Friday this week. Rewarding students for their **community** based actions and showing complete **respect** for others. Well done to Alfie, Pippa, Dom and Lottie.



### Children in Need - Non Uniform Day - Friday 18 November 2022

This term's non-uniform day will be held on **Friday 18 November**. In response to parental feedback we will be asking each student to contribute £1 if they wish to take part.

The money raised by this event will be donated to **Children in Need** who we support annually.

In order to keep good order on non-uniform day, students are asked to be sensible and to wear clothing that is appropriate for a school environment; there should be no offensive logos on T-shirts or other clothing.

Some students are keen to raise money through sponsorship and they should discuss their ideas with their year leader and collect an official sponsorship form from the year office.

I look forward to a very successful and enjoyable day.

Mr Paul Street  
Deputy Headteacher



### Anti-Bullying Week



## ANTI BULLYING WEEK 2022

### 14TH-18TH NOVEMBER

#### WHAT ARE WE DOING AT SACKVILLE?

Our Anti Bullying Ambassadors have been working really hard to plan lots of fun and insightful activities for Anti Bullying week. Check out what's happening.



#### LEAVE YOUR MARK SLOGAN COMPETITION

#### LOGO COMPETITION!



#### SLOGAN AND LOGO COMPETITION

We will be having two whole school competitions with a prize for the winners. Help us make a slogan / motto or logo for our school's anti bullying work.

#### KS3 ENGLISH SESSIONS

All KS3 English classes will take part in a session that looks at how Bullying is shown in texts, this will give students a greater understanding on how bullying can present itself in different ways.

We will be running assemblies throughout the week to raise awareness about bullying with a specific focus on bullying behaviours.



#### COMING UP IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

Our Anti Bullying Ambassadors have so much planned we can't fit it into just one week, see below for the activities they have planned in the next few weeks.

#### ODD SOCKS DAY

Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!



#### MOVIE NIGHT

Year 7 and 8 Will be able to join in with Movie night, one evening after school. Join us for a fun filled night with friends.





email [ABA@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:ABA@sackvilleschool.org.uk)



## Remembrance Day

For Remembrance Day this year, we asked all of our students to create a poppy with the name of a fallen soldier. During tutor time, students from all year groups used the Commonwealth Graves Commission to research a fallen soldier and create a poppy in their memory.

We now have over 700 poppies on the history corridor and each one represents the research of a student or staff member and the person they have chosen to remember.

## The History Department



## Vacancies

**Cleaners Required**

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](mailto:krowlingson@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

Together We Achieve

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Sackville School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Any successful applicant will be required to undertake an Enhanced Disclosure check by the Disclosure and Barring Service

**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 being available for at least 3 days per week for both morning and afternoon sessions 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](mailto:krowlingson@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

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### Support for Keeping Children Safe Online

We have included links to two websites we think will be helpful for you to support your child:

1. Coerced online abuse: [Safer Internet](#)
2. Keep your child safe on WhatsApp: [Parent Factsheet](#)

Mr Dennis Hayden

**Assistant Headteacher**

### Wellbeing



A couple of local charities have training days coming up over the next two weeks and they may be of interest to you. They cover topics which some parents have said they would like further guidance on.

[Jigsaw \(South East\)](#) are a charity who help provide information, advice and guidance to help support bereaved children and young people and those facing the death of a loved one. They support families across Surrey, parts of West Sussex, Kent and surrounding areas. They have some upcoming online training based around *Managing Anxiety and Transitions after a bereavement*, Wednesday 16 November 7.00-8.00pm. Please complete an [online registration](#) if you would like to attend.

West Sussex Mind are also offering online training on self-harm. It is an all day session, Tuesday 22 November. However, if you are unable to attend the whole day, you can register and, after the event, Mind will send a video out to anyone that has booked on. If you are interested, please complete an [online registration](#).

I wish you a lovely weekend

**Hannah Nibloe**

## WINTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD FOR CHILDREN

Children and young people aged 4 to 16 who are eligible for Benefits-related Free School Meals\* can take part in free clubs this Winter Holiday and enjoy a free nutritious meal as part of the scheme. Visit our website to find the fun activities near you this winter and book your place

\*Check eligibility on the webpage and find information about further support and activities available. Places are limited. Paid-for places may be available, contact individual clubs for availability.




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[www.westsussex.gov.uk/HAF](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/HAF) #HAF2022

## GIRLS' NET

### SHARING TALES, TIPS AND TOOLS

#### ONLINE GIRLS' GROUP

Fun and support in the privacy of your home



In this 6-week series you can:

- be you, no need to change anything to fit in
- belong to a friendly group of same-age girls
- share fun tips and tools to handle difficulties – whatever they are
- calm any anxious feelings
- enjoy a safe, private online group

SIX 1½ HOUR WEEKLY ONLINE GROUP SESSIONS FOR TEN SAME-AGE GIRLS

with a Rites for Girls trained Girl's Net Mentor

*"I learned loads but in a fun way."* Soph

*"I've made new friends and realised I'm not the only one who's struggling."* Julia

*"Just do it - it's the best!"* Jo

*"We just want to have fun. But sometimes life's hard and then we want some help and some fun. This course will give you both"* Kim McCabe  
- founder director of Rites for Girls

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COMMUNITY FUND

## PARENTING THROUGH DIFFICULT TIMES

### ONLINE PARENTING COURSE

Non-judgemental support in the privacy of your home



This 3-week course will help you to:

- give your child/ren a sense of calm and safety
- help your children settle in school
- give your child tools for managing their big feelings: increased anxiety, frustration, disappointment
- enjoy parenting in these strange times
- figure this all out in a supportive mini-community of ten parents

LIVE WITH KIM	BONUS VIDEOS	PRIVATE
THREE 2-HOUR ONLINE GROUP SESSIONS	TO RECAP PLUS EXTRA GUIDANCE	FACEBOOK GROUP
with parenting guide and author Kim McCabe	to guide you through the week	if you want continued support during the week

**What we can offer you**

Interactive short-course for parents of school-aged children, helping you to do your best parenting in this time of uncertainty, guided live by best-selling author Kim McCabe.

Free for parents in West Sussex until March 2023 (subject to availability)



### Is this for me?

- Is this for Dads too?  
*Absolutely. Dads are welcome and encouraged.*
- I've a son aged 5, and daughters aged 8 and 15, is this course for me?  
*You will learn tools you can put into immediate use whatever your child's age or gender.*
- Will recordings be available afterwards?  
*No, sessions are live, interactive and confidential so we won't record them.*
- How can I contact the organizer with questions?  
*For more information about this course, Kim McCabe or her book, please email ukadmin@ritesforgirls.co.uk*

*"Just do it! Kim's the best, down-to-earth and not preachy"*  
Mother to toddler and teen and two inbetween  
Dad to 10 year old

*"Eye-opening and supportive. Worth every minute."*  
Mum to boys, age 6 and 8

*"It's made me a better mum. I want more!"*  
Mum to teen girls

*"I'm still getting so much support from the others in my group too."*  
Single parent of girls, 10 and 8

### Who is Kim McCabe?

Kim McCabe, author of 'From Daughter to Woman' and founder director of Rites for Girls CIC specialises in guiding parents. She draws on thirty years experience of working with preteens and teens, of advising parents, and lessons she learned from her own mothering journey with two boys and a girl.

**Interested?**

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