



# Sackville School

TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE



## Families' Bulletin

Monday 5 February 2024 to Friday 9 February 2024

### HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

We have got one week to go until half term; it is all systems go with the school show this week. I cannot wait to see the talent on display whether that be on the stage, backstage, or in the technical team. I am always blown away by the hard work and dedication of the students and staff and look forward to celebrating with them next week. Even as I write this I can hear the rehearsals! There are a few tickets left and here is the [link](#).

We also look forward to welcoming our Year 10 students and their families to our Year 10 Information Evening. This will be focusing on their upcoming Beliefs and Values GCSE exam and working towards how best to revise and prepare. We always look forward to greeting families and we look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

There is lots to look forward to after the half term. Our Year 9 students will be having their Parent Consultations as well as an evening to discuss and guide their upcoming option selections. It is a really important time for the students as they make those important choices and there will be plenty of support on hand for everyone to help them.

We will also have a Higher Educational Fair in school, helping our older students who will be starting to think about what they may go onto to do after their time with us. The event is always well attended and I would encourage all Year 10 to 12 students to attend and talk to as many people as possible. It is a unique opportunity that not many schools will be able to offer.

I hope you have a great weekend and we look forward to a big week next week.

**Ms Jo Meloni**  
Headteacher

### Key Dates

Tuesday 6 February  
Wednesday 7 February  
Thursday 8 February  
Friday 9 February

#### **Monday 12 February to Friday 16 February**

Tuesday 16 February  
Thursday 22 February  
Wednesday 28 February  
Thursday 29 February

Year 10 Information Evening  
School Production - Sister Act (6pm - 8.30pm)  
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School Production - Sister Act (7.30pm – 10pm)

#### **Half Term Holiday**

Year 13 Spanish Trip  
Year 9 KS4 Options Evening  
Higher Educational Fair  
Year 9 Consultation Evening

## Hot Chocolate with the Deputy Head

It was a pleasure to sit with Dan, Immi, and Kiril to reflect on a great few weeks for them.

Immi has been working tirelessly to contribute to our school show (tickets available now!) through volunteering for the set design decoration. It sounds like she has been working so hard, just like everyone who is involved and pulling together to make a wonderful show. Thank you to everyone for what we think will be a special week coming up.

Dan was nominated for his excellent contribution to tutor times and it was lovely to hear about his footballing at the weekend coming. I'm wishing him luck in his East Grinstead fixture.

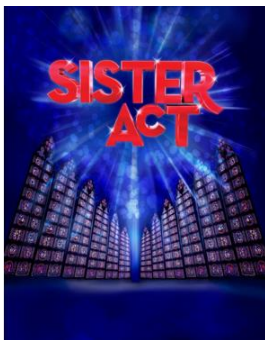
Kiril has been working supremely hard and was recognised for his overall all round effort. To almost prove the point Kiril has a maths assessment he is going to be working over the weekend for! I wish him luck with it next week.

I hope everyone has a good weekend and I look forward to my next chance to take the Hot Chocolates.

**Peter Cowlin**



## School Production - Sister Act



The last few remaining tickets are on sale for this year's School Production of Sister Act.

Staff and students have been working hard to put together another amazing show and you have a choice of evenings to come watch:

Wednesday 7 February 2024 – 6.30pm

Thursday 8 February 2024 – 6.30pm

Friday 9 February 2024 – 7.30pm

Tickets can be bought [here](#)

### Spring Term Timetable

We offer a wide range of after school activities at Sackville. You can browse through all the clubs, by year group, via this link:

[Spring Term Timetable](#)

We are pleased to offer more after school curricular activities in Maths, they are shown below.

Monday - M04 Chess Club 2:50 - 3:45pm (all years)

Monday - M07 Homework support 2:50 - 3:45 (years 7 - 10)

Thursday - M07 Homework support 2:50 - 3:45 (year 7 - 10)

Thursday - M04 Maths Challenge Club (year 7 - 10 invite only)

Regards

**Mr T Hasler**

**Maths Department**

## Find it Out Thursday

### Find it out Thursdays

This is a chance for students to explore different professions and learn from people that are in that industry.

Each week a different professional comes in to talk to students about the different aspects of their job, how they entered that industry, the skills and qualifications required and the different routes available to students thinking of joining that sector. Students have the opportunity to ask those in the know and get first-hand information. Students are able to sign up for one talk each half term so please encourage them to sign up and take advantage of this opportunity.

**Speakers for next half term will be:-**

Estate Agent - Date to be confirmed

Please use this [link](#) to sign up for the talk



## Design & Technology

We are in need of **WHITE** cotton or linen sheets/pillow cases/duvet covers/T shirts etc, for our Design & Technology department, and would be grateful for any donations.

They do have to be pure cotton or linen - apart from any stitching or fastenings, which we can remove

- **NOT** polycotton please.

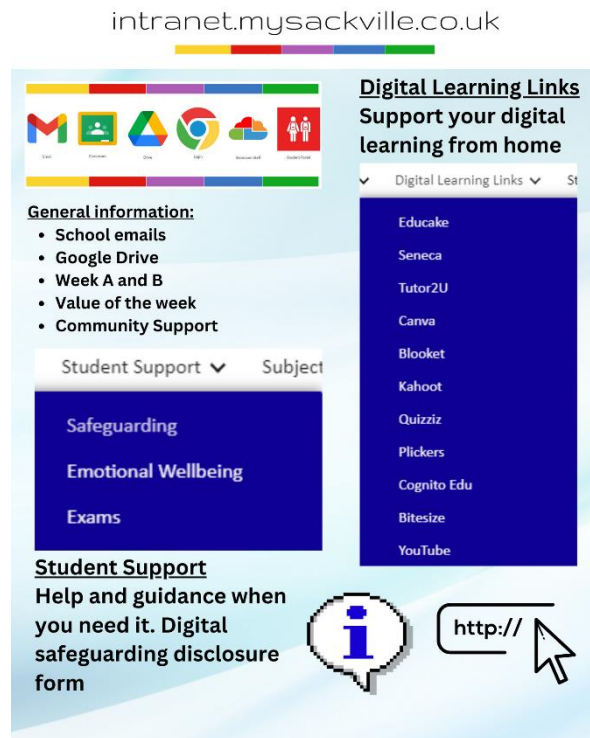
For hygiene reasons please could any donations be washed, preferably without fabric softener to retain the absorbency of the fabric.

If you do any of the above please could you drop them into the school Reception labelled for the D&T Department.

### Spotlight on Digital Learning

The updated school intranet is accessible from home, on our school website and on the web address [intranet.mysackville.co.uk](http://intranet.mysackville.co.uk)

Some of the things you can use it for are below:



### Current Vacancies

We have a number of non-teaching roles available at the moment. If you would be interested in any of the following please call Katie Dawson for more information or apply directly following these links:

- [Cleaners](#)
- [Human Resources Coordinator](#)
- [Exam Invigilator](#)

Are you new to the school or want to be more involved in your child's education? Exam Invigilator could be the role for you.

*"My daughter joined Sackville in year 9. When she started in year 10, I decided to join the Sackville invigilating team with the thought that I really would like to learn and understand the current exam procedures and processes and at the same time it would put me in a better position to help and support my child. I am still working at the school and have also made some great friends over the last 6 years." Suzanne (current parent)*



### 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 community 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 community office, thank you in advance.



## External Clubs, Events and Services

### Netball



CD Phoenix Netball Club are holding Regional trials, if you are interested please follow the link below.  
<https://forms.gle/j7ib4iMwcZMLazy17>

## Prom Dresses

Bishop Luffa School in Chichester are holding their annual Preloved Prom Dress Sale on Saturday 24 February. The event is a wonderful way to purchase or sell pre-loved prom wear – *they currently only have prom dress stock but welcome suits to sell at this event as well.*

- *For ease of trying on gowns, they ask attendees wear something like leggings and a sports vest / bra to allow dresses to be slipped on and off over gowns easily, in their private changing area / alternatively clothing that can be easily put on and off to reduce changing room times, as they find the students will try on a few options before they find the right one – this will help make that process more streamlined.*
- *The access time for non-Bishop Luffa students is 12.30 midday.*

The Bishop Luffa PTA team looks forward to welcoming students to this wonderful event as they prepare for their end of year proms.

BISHOP LUFFA SCHOOL PFA

# PRELOVED PROM DRESS SALE



LIGHTLY WORN PROM  
DRESSES AND ACCESSORIES

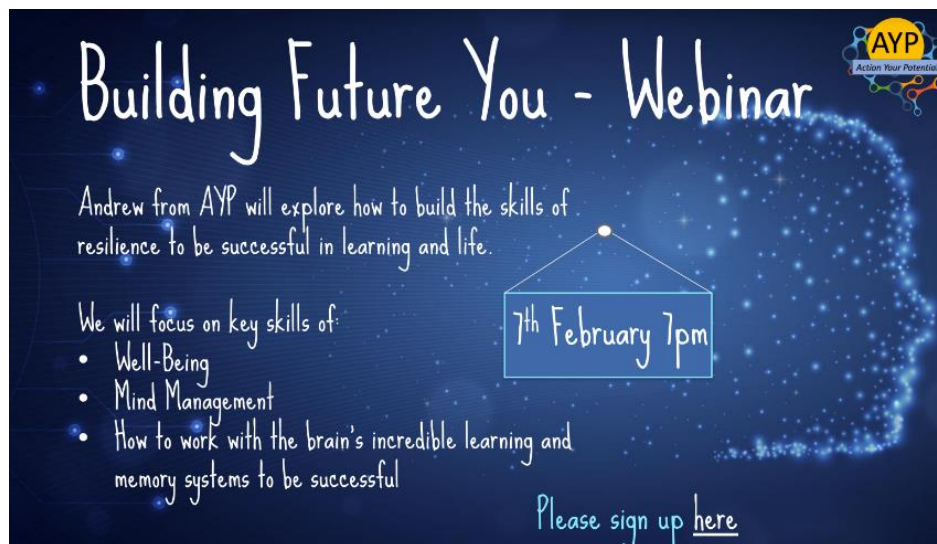
*In partnership with  
St. Wilfrids Hospice Shop*

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**SATURDAY 24TH FEBRUARY 2024  
FROM 11.30AM TO 2PM  
IN BISHOP LUFFA SPORTS HALL**

**PLEASE NOTE: THE FIRST HOUR IS FOR BISHOP LUFFA STUDENTS ONLY.  
DOORS WILL OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM 12.30P.M.**

If you would like to sell an item please email  
[sammy47j@hotmail.com](mailto:sammy47j@hotmail.com) for further information



We would like to share an opportunity for Parents and Carers to attend a free webinar given by Andrew Wright from Action Your Potential at 7.00pm on Wednesday 7 February 2024. All parents and carers as well as students are welcome to attend.

Details below and attached, complete with a booking link:

### Building Future You

Andrew from Action Your Potential will explore how to build the skills of resilience to be successful in learning and life. The session will focus on the skills of:

- Well-Being
- Mind Management
- How to work with the brain's incredible learning and memory systems to be successful

Booking link [here](#)

## Cricket



## Self Defence Workshops

**EAST GRINSTEAD TOWN COUNCIL**

**FREE EVENT**

**ACTIVELY SAFE**

**Personal safety & self defence Workshops**

**Ages 11+**

DELIVERED BY **Actively Safe**

**THURSDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2024**

**10AM - 1PM**  
**AGES 11 - 13**

**2PM - 5PM**  
**AGES 14 - 17**

Physical self defence  
Situational awareness  
Confidence strategies  
De-escalation techniques  
Use of force & the law

**Meridian Hall, East Court, East Grinstead, RH19 3LT**

**BOOK NOW:**  
**<https://eequ.org/experience/4533>**

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Further to the success of the October half term event, East Grinstead Town Council have organised another free personal safety and self-defence workshop to be delivered by Actively Safe for February half term.

*During the teen specific workshop students will be taught about all aspects (physical and non-physical) of personal safety and self-defence. Increased independence is an important part of growing up and gaining confidence. Teaching young people about personal safety and giving them the skills to make decisions will help them to be safe when they are out and about in familiar and new environments.*

### Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February

Session 1: 10am – 1pm for 11 – 13 year olds

Session 2: 2pm – 5pm for 14-17 year olds

Limited spaces – 30 per session

FREE

Meridian Hall, East Court, RH19 3LT

Book online here <https://eequ.org/experience/4533>

(Please cancel your booking if you can no longer attend so the place is not wasted)





### **Limited NHS Appointments Available**

Tooth decay remains the most common reason for hospital admissions in children aged six to 10 years, costing the NHS £81 million on dental extractions for children alone.

#### **We want to help.**

This February half term, we are offering free NHS dental treatment for children up to the age of 18.

Call or email us for more information or queries.

**01342 458034**

[reception@highstreetdentalpractice.com](mailto:reception@highstreetdentalpractice.com)

## **Internship Programme 2024**

For those interested in a career in teaching this programme is specifically designed for undergraduates interested in getting experience of a career in teaching.

Government funding of £300 per week (£900 total) is available for secondary Maths, Physics, Chemistry, MFL and Computing interns, but there are also programmes for all other secondary subject specialisms and primary teaching on an unfunded basis. The programme is based across multiple schools in Surrey, Berkshire, London and Sussex and will run for 3 weeks this summer (dates to be confirmed – but it is likely to be 24<sup>th</sup> June to 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023).

## INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME 2024



At Xavier Teach SouthEast, we are proud to offer an internship programme which provides those interested in teaching with the ideal opportunity to explore life in the classroom.

**NON-FUNDED AND FUNDED PROGRAMMES**

- **Funded** internship for secondary chemistry, computing, languages, maths and physics undergraduates (£300pw)
- Non-funded internship for non-undergraduates and **all other secondary subjects and primary** teaching.
- **Aim:** to help undergraduates in all subjects, as well as those considering a career change, to explore how rewarding a career in teaching can be.

As part of the programme, you will:

- Get involved in all aspects of school life
- Receive bespoke training
- Work closely with a Mentor to observe and teach lessons
- Meet regularly with fellow Interns, ECTs and SCITT trainees
- Be given an opportunity to accelerate your interview process for our SCITT



*"The internship was a brilliant hands-on experience that gave me a wealth of knowledge about life as a primary school teacher. The programme gave me the best opportunity to gain first-hand experience teaching, observing and helping to plan lessons."*  
Intern 2022

**INTERESTED?**

Scan the QR code for the application form or visit [www.teachsoutheast.co.uk](http://www.teachsoutheast.co.uk)

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