

# **Families Bulletin**

# Monday 16 June 2025 - Friday 20 June 2025

#### **HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE**

#### **Dear Families**

It has been lovely to meet so many of our new Year 6 students and their families this week, many of whom I know may already be reading this bulletin as existing Sackville families. I met so many confident young students bursting with energy and excitement about their move up to Sackville, peppered with the understandable nervousness of some. We have been visiting primary schools to learn more about them and have our unique three transition days to look forward to in a couple of weeks time. Thank you in advance to those of you who have students who will be supporting them, mostly from Year 8 and the Sixth Form.

My highlight of the week was watching a recording of two of our fantastic Year 8 students, A Tidy and S King performing their Shakespeare Duologue at the Globe theatre yesterday. I have not yet had the opportunity to see them in person, but they did exceptionally well both in their performance and in reaching these nationals finals of 12 performances from over 130 entries and local competitions. As I have said before, the talents of our young people really are humbling.

This afternoon our Year 10 students began their end of year exams which will run into next week. Please ensure students arrive in plenty of time, so they begin their day as relaxed and prepared as possible. Year 12 students also have their first mock exams and we wish them all the very best.

This afternoon, we held the inaugural Federation inclusive sports event at Downlands school. This is another example of

how we work with our partner schools to provide opportunities that involve students who may not usually have the confidence or opportunity to participate. I am looking forward to hearing all about it on Monday morning!

Finally, if you do not already do so, please follow us on social media to keep up to date with what we are up to and our student's achievements on a more regular basis. For example, what we have planned next week to celebrate the inclusivity of Pride month, sports reports and photographs.





Have a lovely weekend.

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Jo Meloni Headteacher

## **Hot Choc With The Head**

It was a bumper edition of Hot Chocolate this week, with a group on Monday and Wednesday, from the Holmes and Turing Communities. It was great to spend time with two groups of fantastic students and extra special to have Mr Beaver join us with his Holmes Community on Wednesday.

All of the students had been nominated for demonstrating at least one of our values and it was fantastic to see that so many of them were for showing values of Ambition and achieving success across the curriculum, alongside Kindness and Community and Teamwork.

Well done to all of these students.





## **Key Dates**

Tuesday 17 June 2025 Thursday 19 June 2025 Friday 20 June 2025

Monday 23 June 2025

Wednesday 25 June 2025

Thursday 26 June 2025

Friday 27 June 2025

Monday 30 June 2025

Tuesday 1 July 2025

Wednesday 2 July - Friday 4 July 2025

Thursday 3 July 2025

Friday 4 July 2025

Tuesday 8 July 2025

Wednesday 9 July

Friday 11 July 2025

Monday 14 July - Friday 18 July 2025

Friday 18 July 2025

Wednesday 23 July 2025

Federation Dance Show at Chequer Mead - 6.00pm

CEW Amsterdam Information Evening - 5.30pm

Art Exhibition - 4.00pm - 7.00pm

CEW Paris Information Evening - 5.30pm

**Inset Day** 

Year 11 and 13 Prom

Turing Colour Run - 1.30-3.00pm

St Swithuns Art Festival

Year 10 Art Trip

Year 6 Transition Days

Year 11 into 12 Evening

National STEM competition

Year 5 Taster Day

Sports Day

Families Focus Group - 5.00pm

Year 8 HPV Vaccinations - In School

Year 12 Work Experience

**Last Day of School - Early closure** 

Taylor Made Uniform in School

## **Notice board**

#### Sackville School Pride Week

Next week we have daily events happening within school in support of Pride Week. Letters went home today to outline this and we hope the students participate in all the fun activities, showing their support.



#### **HPV Vaccinations**

A gentle reminder for year 8 parents the HPV vaccinations will be on the Friday 11 July 2025, if you have not done so please complete the consent here <a href="https://www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/Forms/HPV">https://www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/Forms/HPV</a> and when asked for the school code it is SX 126089.

If you have any concerns or questions please contact the team on 01273 696011 ext 2043. Please note the consent line closes on the Tuesday 8 of July 2025 at 11.00am.

On behalf Vaccination team

## Sweet Sale - Friday 20 June 2025

As part of Pride Week Celebrations we are looking to hold a Sweet Sale. We are asking students to bring in sweets in the colour of their Community so that we can complete a Rainbow Sweet Sale. We are asking families for donations for this. Please can students bring these in by Wednesday 18 June to their community office. The sweet sale will be held on Friday 20 June 2025 - at break and lunchtime. Students may wish to bring in cash to purchase sweets.

## Join the GymStars Coaching Programme – Powered by Gymspire Academy

The *GymStars* Programme is a unique and inspiring initiative designed to develop the next generation of gymnastics coaches. Created by the experienced team at Gymspire Academy, this programme offers free, hands-on training and mentorship, with the potential to progress into a paid coaching role upon completion.

#### **Key Highlights:**

- Open to students aged 13 and above
- Training delivered by qualified professionals
- Sessions take place after school and on weekends, making it ideal to fit around school commitments

- Participants earn weekly performance points that can be exchanged for rewards like new trainers or other incentives
- Great for building confidence, responsibility, and leadership skills

We are currently recruiting enthusiastic individuals to join our teams in: **Edenbridge, Tunbridge Wells, East Grinstead, Shirley, Crystal Palace, and Halstead.** 

For enquiries or to express interest, students (or parents/guardians) can contact: jo@gymspireacademy.com

#### St Swithun Annual Arts Festival

On Monday 30 June 2025, we are delighted to be taking a group of musicians to St Swithun's for their annual Arts Festival. Students in our extra curricular groups will receive an invitation, but all are still welcome - come and see Mr Webb in the music office. Students will rehearse during the school day, and families are invited to come and watch the performance (no tickets required), which will take place at 4.30pm - 5.30pm.

We look forward to seeing you there!





#### **HAF sessions - Goodwood Education Trust**

This year, Goodwood Education Trust is a Provider for the Holiday, Activity and Food (HAF) Programme for summer 2025. The HAF programme offers free activity sessions and hot cooked lunch for children eligible for means-tested Free School Meals. We're offering Forest Adventures, running 9.00am - 3.00pm, with plenty of time for fire lighting, cooking over the campfire, den building, nature trails, hand tools and woodland crafts, and possibly meeting the farm animals. This year we are running separate sessions for children at primary school and children at secondary school.

## **The Turning Colour Run**

The Turing Colour Run returns on Friday 27 of June and we're hoping for a great turn out to raise as much money as we can for our chosen charity St Catherine's Hospice.

We are asking for a £5 donation to take part and this can be paid by MCAS under products and is available for sign up from today.

We really can't wait, Last year's event was amazing and we're sure this year will be even better!



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## Safeguarding

As always, if you are aware or have any worries regarding the safety of our students then contact our safeguarding team. Contact ...details below:

## Safeguarding Leads:

Mr Millican - amillican@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mr Street - pstreet@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mrs Steer - asteer@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mrs Flude - dflude@sackvilleschool.org.uk

## **Safeguarding Team:**

Mr Endersby - jendersby@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mrs Hunt - shunt@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mrs Valentine - hvalentine@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mr Dupoy - jdupoy@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mr Cowlin - pcowlin@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mrs Bull - sbull@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mr Vallally-Godfrey - avallallygodfrey@sackvilleschool.org.uk



## **Current Vacancies**

We have two support staff roles available at the moment. If you would be interested in any of the following or know anyone else who may be, please call Katie Dawson, Headteacher's PA for more information, or apply directly following these links:

- School Medical and Welfare Officer
- Educational Welfare Officer
- Cover Supervisors

## **Extra Curricular Activities**

## Summer 2025 Term

## **Sackville News**

For all the latest news here at Sackville, follow the link below to the news section of our website -

#### **Sackville News**

We also publish a half termly newsletter and the latest edition can be seen here: Sackville Newsletter.

Next publication date: W/B 18 July, 2025

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# **Futures - Find It Out Thursday**

This is a chance for students to explore different professions and learn from those that are in that industry and can give a first hand experience. Different industries are highlighted each week and students have the opportunity to attend one talk per half term. Students have to sign up for the talk they wish to attend using the google form distributed to students. Come along and start to investigate career paths open to you and discover the skills that you will be required to develop to join that industry.

These are the talks that are on offer so far next term:-

19 June 2025 Working in the UK vs Australia

26 June 2025 Police

03 July 2025 Mobile Mechanic/Breakdown recovery

There will be more added when dates have been confirmed.

If you are interested in any of these talks please use this <u>link</u> to sign up

If you would like to be part of our Find it out Thursday program please contact Helen Smith on hsmith@sackvilleschool.org.uk.

## Medication, Illness and Vaccines

## 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.

## **Vaccinations**

Just a reminder of the following vaccination dates for this year as below:

Friday 11 July 2025 - HPV vaccination for Year 8

The consent will be online and details will be sent out 4-6 weeks prior to these dates. If you have any queries please contact the immunisation team on 01273 696011 ext 2043.

## **Lost Property**



Please could you ensure that all items of school uniform, PE kits and pencil cases are labelled. This will make reuniting property a lot faster, easier and more successful.

We are trialling a new system to help get unlabelled lost property back to students, we have a google document that is updated regularly with any garments that find their way to the lost property, if you believe an item is something you are looking for, please contact

Mrs Hill (shill@sackvilleschool.org.uk).

Lost Property Itinerary here - as of Friday 13 June 2025.

We advise that if students ever lose any uniform or property then they should visit their community office after they have checked with Mrs Hill if their property has been handed in.

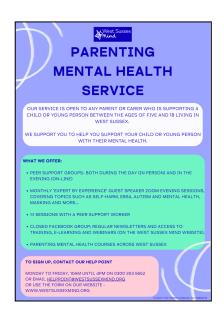
\*\* Please can we ask that if you have any unwanted school uniform - can this be donated back to school for the second hand uniform shop, especially ties and girls blouses and Year 10 and Year 11 uniform - Also PE kits. Many thanks \*\*

# **External Clubs, Sports, Services and Events**

## **Mind - West Sussex**







## **Performing Schools - East Grinstead**





## Study Smart



## **FACE Timetable**





m: Improving Co Raising Self-Esteem Supporting Healthy Screen Use Supporting Healthy Sleep Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness What is ACT? Anxiety Explained

## **FAO SENCo**

Choose one of the 16 Parent talks below. **Email Jane for a free** recording and watch in your own time.

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Anxiety-Based School Av Supporting a Child with ADHD Facing Defiance Understanding Anger Addictive Behaviour Understanding the Teenage Brain **Decreasing Depression** Improving Family Comp

## **FACE School Membership Plan**

Give ALL your parents and ALL your staff unlimited free access

to ALL the above FACE talks for Parents

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk facefamilyadvice.co.uk





## **Football**



#### East Grinstead Town u13—Saturday Team 2025/2026 Season

(Secondary school year 8 from September 2025)

After a successful first season in the Horsham District League, we are moving to 11 a side and are looking for experienced players, who are passionate and committed about their growth and development, to join our existing squad.

#### Why Choose Us?

- An enjoyable and inclusive environment
  - FA qualified coaches
- FA Standard Chartered Development Club
- Pathway to Isthmian League Adult Football

#### Contact

Manager: Tom Butcher tbutcher182@gmail.com / 07514 575378



## ASHURST WOOD JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB



#### Current Year 7s wanted for 25/26 Season

We are looking for more players as we move to U13s and 11v11 next season.

The team play matches on Saturday mornings in the Horsham League and training is Thursday evenings, coaches are fully qualified and DBS checked.

For more information and to arrange to attend trial sessions please contact Rachel 07794548186 rachel.dufeu@sky.com

www.awjfc.net Charity No 1136711







## **Kinetics Fight Academy**

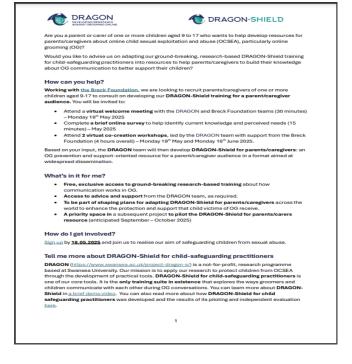


## **Cricket**

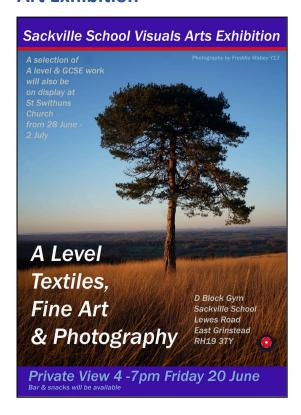




## Parental Opportunity to work with Dragon and The Breck Foundation



## **Art Exhibition**



## Hairdressing



## **Holiday Activities**



## **Duke of Edinburgh**

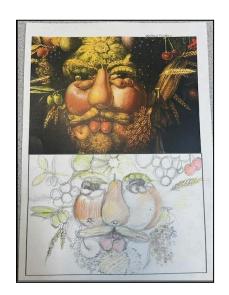


## **Summer Star**



# **Art of the Week**

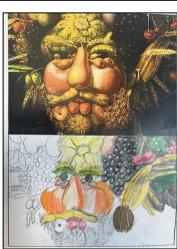
Year 9 Arcimboldo drawings - Ruby A, Adam T, Lottie F, Clark W and Willow F.





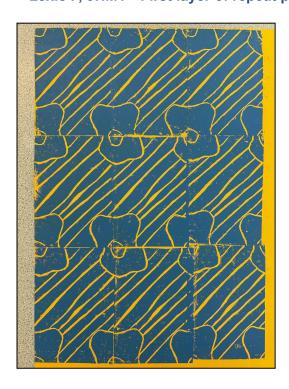








Lexie P, 9HMY - First layer of repeat pattern lino printing piece



Avy-Mai, 10DSR - Final piece for photography "Objects and Life" project

