



Sackville School
TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE



Families Bulletin

Monday 20th January to Friday 24th January 2025

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

It was lovely to see so many of our Sixth Form students and their families on Thursday at our Futures and Information Evening. A fine example of us working together to help support our young people's progress, ambitions and next steps. A special thanks to our presenters on the evening Ms Porter, Mr Gerretsen, Mr De Souza, Mrs Bush and Mr Dupoy for their efforts and expertise.

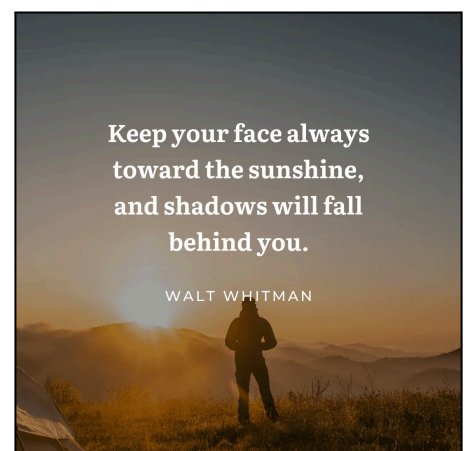
Also this week, our Business trip returned from a successful trip to Paris. Mr Collett and the other colleagues who were with students 24/7 for three days were extremely complimentary about the student's behaviour and attitude whilst away. One parent commented that their son had come back full of renewed confidence and that they had thoroughly enjoyed the trip.

We know these experiences make a massive impact on young people and we will be pleased to share with you details of our CEW offer in the next couple of weeks, which includes a wide variety of trips and unique opportunities for students in years 7-10 at the end of the summer term.

I will leave you with a quote shared with staff and students at the start of this week around our focused vale of Positivity.

Have a lovely weekend,

Jo Meloni
Headteacher



Week: B

Timetable: 4 + 1

Hot Choc With The Head

We had a packed house this morning with the fabulous students from the Yousafzai Community joining me for Hot Chocolate.

Congratulations go to Jacob and Eddie (Year 7), Ethan and Hannah (Year 8), Tinotenda and Sonny (Year 9), Miriam, Mohammed and Oskar (Year 10), Eqlima and Lewis (Year 11). Each of them has demonstrated our school values on a regular basis, in particular those of resilience, positivity and community.

Well done to each of them who left excited by their 'jump the queue' pass that doubles up as a mini certificate to put proudly on the fridge at home!

Ms Jo Meloni
Headteacher



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Notice Board

- **Book Fair** - The Book Fair will be visiting Sackville between Monday 17 and Thursday 20 March 2025 and will be in our LRC.
- **Team Turing needs your help** - As part of our community charity fundraising this half term we will be holding a Turing Treat Tombola on the last week before half term. We are asking for any donations of any sweet treats, crisps or confectionery in BLUE packaging that we can add to the tombola prizes. All money raised will go to Turing's chosen charity for this year which is St Catherine's Hospice. Thank you as always for your support.



- **Kings Centre's Big Sister Project** - the programme is designed for girls to help them get back into fitness once they reach their teenage years, it was designed to support girls to engage and find enjoyment in sports and activity. Big Sister is a free or discounted membership for girls aged 9-15. It includes unlimited swimming, racket sports, unlimited gym access during junior gym times (11-15 year olds), we move class Mondays at 3.45pm with a female instructor (11-15 year olds), free access

to our places leisure app, virtual studio which includes the big sister channel. If you are interested and would like to find out more please contact Kings Centre on 01342 328616 or email us at enquirieskingscentre@pfpleisure.org

- **Pop Up Uniform Shop** - Dates that our uniform shop will attend Sackville can be found here on our [website](#).

Key Dates

Tuesday 21 January 2025

Wednesday 22 January 2025

Thursday 23 January 2025

Thursday 30 January 2025

Tuesday 4 February 2025

Thursday 6 February - Saturday 8 February 2025

Wednesday 12, Thursday 13 and Friday 14 February 2025

Friday 14 February - Saturday 22 February 2025

Monday 17 February - 21 February 2025

Thursday 27 February 2025

Friday 28 February 2025

Thursday 6 March 2025

Year 10 Berlin Information Evening

Sixth Form Trip to the Houses of Parliament and Supreme Court

Year 12 Higher Education Fair (4.30-6.30pm)

Year 11 Information Evening (6.30pm)

Year 9 Consultation Evening - **Revised Date from 6th February**

Year 11 Art Trip to the Tate Modern

Year 10 History and German Trip to Berlin

SCHOOL SHOW - Footloose

Ski Trip to Tonale, Italy

HALF TERM

Year 7 Consultation Evening

Year 12 Trip to Pinewood Studios

Year 9 Options Evening - **Revised Date from 30th January**

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:

- [Exam Invigilators](#)
- [Cover Supervisor](#)

Extra Curricular Activities

[Spring 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 Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#). Next publication date: **W/B 14 February, 2025.**

Sixth Form News

Following on from our Year 12/13 Information Evening last night, I would like to invite Year 12 families to the all important Higher Education Fair on **Thursday 23 January 2025, 4.30-6.30pm**. This is an unrivalled opportunity for Year 12 students and families to find out about Higher Education opportunities. This is not simply a university's promotional fair - both apprenticeship providers and local colleges will be there. We look forward to welcoming you.

Year 13 are now facing their final school set of mock exams. We wish all our Year 13 students the best of luck and good fortune when sitting their mock exams in the week beginning 3 February 2025.

Futures - Find It Out Thursday



Our next Open Event is coming up next week. This is the perfect opportunity to visit Plumpton College, meet our industry expert lecturers and see where a career in the Land and Environment sector can take you. Book Your Space [Here](#)



This hands-on event is open to students aged 14 and over and offers a fantastic opportunity to experience life on a land-based campus. From getting up close with our animals to exploring the world of agriculture and environmental studies, this day is designed to inspire and inform students about the diverse and rewarding careers in the land-based industries.

Our sessions include: Agriculture, Animal Care, Blacksmithing, Equine, Furniture Making, Upholstery, Gardening and Landscaping (Horticulture) and Tree Surgery (Arboriculture)

Here at Sackville School, we are lucky to be able to run a Higher Education Fair, where multiple universities, colleges and apprenticeship organisations visit us here for our students to ask any questions concerning their choices of the future.

Our next fair will be on Thursday 23 January 2025, from 4.20 - 6.30pm and will be held in the Main Hall and P block.

We look forward to seeing you there, and if you have any questions students can talk to their teachers, communities or email Mrs Smith - 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:

Monday 3 February 2025 - Meningitis ACWY and Td/Pv for Year 9 (x2 vaccinations one in each arm)

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 - as of Friday 17 January 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.

External Clubs, Services and Events

Inter School Equestrian Event



Lingfield College presents our first inter-school, grass roots & show jumping competition. All school children in full time education at any Primary/Prep or Senior school eligible to enter

The Event

Sunday 23rd March 2025 - Felbridge Show Ground, Copthorne Road, Felbridge, RH19 2NU

Classes

Class 1 Cross Pole Jumping (30cm) team and individual jumping

- Assistance is allowed (can be led)
- Teams of three or four riders (any age)

Class 2 (40cm) team and individual jumping

- Assistance is allowed
- Teams of three or four riders (any age)

Class 3 (50cm) team and individual jumping

- No assistance
- Teams of three or four riders (any age)

Class 4 (60cm) team and individual jumping

- No assistance
- Teams of three or four riders (any age)

Class 5 (70cm) team and individual jumping

- No assistance
- Teams of three or four riders (any age)

Class 6 (80cm) team and individual jumping

- No assistance
- Teams of three or four riders (any age)

All classes will be single phase; the course will be in two parts. Once a competitor has jumped the first part of the course, they will continue immediately, even if they have faults (unless they have been eliminated), to jump the second part of the course which is against the clock.

The Individual winner is the rider with the fewest (or zero) faults, accumulated over both sections, with the fastest time over the second part of the course.

The winning team is the team with the fewest (or zero) combined faults, accumulated over both sections, with the fastest combined time over the second part of the course. The faults/times of three team riders will be combined, with teams of four the score of the rider with the most faults/slowest time will be dropped.

Entries

Entries are £15 per class for team and individual riders + £5 per rider (First Aid/Booking fee)

Entries should be submitted via <https://myridinglife.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=491875>

Entries Open: Thursday 16th January

Entries Close: Midnight on Tuesday 18th March*

Drawn order sent out: Friday 21st March



*Entries may close before this date if entries are full. Please enter as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Schools unable to field a team may send up to 2 individuals per class. Schools already with a team/or teams may additionally have up to 2 individual riders per class. Team riders' rounds will count toward both the team and individual results.

Prize Giving

This will be unmounted, adjacent to the main arena. Competitors are expected to be dressed in appropriate competition dress.

1st - 6th will be awarded in both the team and individual competitions.

Live results will be available on the day via My Riding Life.

Rules

1. Teams must be made up of pupils attending the same school (either a Primary/Prep or Senior School). Teams may consist of three or four riders.
2. A rider can compete in up to two classes
3. Horses/ponies can compete in up to two classes
4. Combinations must not have competed 30cm above the class height entered (in any competition)
5. Riders may not wear spurs in classes 1 or 2
7. Riders may ride twice for one team on different horses/ponies in classes 1 and 2. This will not be allowed in class 3
8. Horses/ponies may not be ridden twice in one class.
9. Two refusals or the fall of the rider will incur elimination.

All queries to: lingfielequestrian@gmail.com



Stablesshot will be in attendance for filming.

Please book in advance www.stablesshot.co.uk

Kings Centre

BIG SiSISTER

A programme designed by girls, for girls to help them discover the journey of getting active together

Free* or discounted membership at any Places Leisure centre for girls aged 9-15
*Proof of eligibility required

Want to join us?
Here's what's included...

- Unlimited gym use during Junior Gym hours
- 1h gym induction (11-15 year olds)
- Unlimited swimming
- Age-appropriate classes including We Move classes every Monday 4.00pm - 5.00pm
- Free access to Places Leisure App and Virtual Studio which includes a Big Sister channel

[Click here to find out more](#)

SUPPORTED BY

WSCC Drop In Clinic

Free LGBT+ online drop-in clinics for West Sussex School Staff

Allsorts is offering free drop in clinics for any West Sussex school staff to attend and is an opportunity to ask questions and/or seek LGBT+ related support

Mon 2nd Dec	Thu 16th Jan
Mon 10th Feb	Thu 13th Mar
Mon 28th Apr	
Thu 22nd May	Mon 23rd Jun

All 3.30 - 4.30pm

For more details alice@allsortsyouth.org.uk

Unite Fitness Gym

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FOR ALL SACKVILLE STUDENTS, PARENTS AND TEACHERS!

TeamForge

TeamForge: Teamwork Through Gaming

What is TeamForge?

A pilot project developed by the SEND Commissioning Team West Sussex County Council and Quest Mentoring. It's designed for young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), aged 13-18. All sessions promote teamwork in a fun way.

There will be two pilot projects, the first starts in the week beginning 13th of January 2025 and the second starts in the week beginning 21st of April. In these 12 week pilots participants will play Valheim, a Viking-themed online game. They will play with other young people and take part in workshops and develop teamwork skills.

How TeamForge Works

1. We promote the benefits with community organisations and parents/carers. We invite young people with SEND aged 13 - 18 to join TeamForge. Through applications and selection we ensure the right mix of committed participants, with an appropriate gaming setup, who are available two evenings a week.
2. Upon successful application, parents and carers will be sent a range of information: a project overview, a timeline, tech setup guides, an online safety guide and links to the Skills Builder Teamwork benchmarking. All designed to help prepare participants.
3. The first week starts with an online introduction webinar and Q & A as well as a tech support session. Weeks 2 through to 11 each contain a skills workshop and a gaming session both led by professional mentors. The project culminates in week 12 with a fun in-person activity. These two sessions will start at 6pm on two evenings a week.

What are the benefits?

TeamForge helps young people gain confidence, work effectively in teams, and develop life skills. TeamForge offers a unique opportunity for growth.

Get Involved!

TeamForge has achieved Skills Builder Impact Level 4. Visit www.questmentoring/teamforge to apply and get more information.

Scan for the TeamForge webpage  Scan for the Disability Register webpage 

East Grinstead Volunteer Fair

Learn, Grow, and Give Back

East Grinstead Community Volunteer Fair 2025

Do you need a volunteer opportunity?
Come to the Community Volunteer Fair and you can find one!

 **Saturday 1st February 2025**
 **11am - 1pm**
 **Chequer Mead Theatre, De La Warr Road, RH19 3BS**
 **Everyone is invited - come and enjoy some free food!**

For more information visit:
www.communitypeople.org.uk/what-we-do/volunteering

This event is proudly organised by Community People Mid Sussex (Registered Charity no. 1158780) and sponsored by HSBC, united by a shared goal of supporting and strengthening local communities.

Visit www.questmentoring/teamforge to apply and get more info.

Here is the [link](http://www.communitypeople.org.uk/what-we-do/volunteering) for more information on this event.

External Sports Clubs and Events

Cricket

LINGFIELD CRICKET CLUB

INDOOR WINTER CRICKET COACHING

BOYS and GIRLS - RECEPTION TO YEAR 10 INCLUSIVE
SUNDAYS

GIRLS ONLY SESSION - YEARS 5 TO 10 INCLUSIVE
SUNDAYS 1645 TO 1805 HOURS

JANUARY to APRIL 2025

For further information please contact Jan
WhatsApp: 07779 251854
Email: stewart_robertshaw@hotmail.com

East Grinstead CC

are pleased to welcome new junior members

- Age appropriate training sessions run by our fully-qualified, professional coach on Mon/Wed/Fri (summer) & Tues/Fri (winter)
- 1 to 1 coaching available
- Access to facilities at East Grinstead Sports Club

To book a free taster session please contact juniors@eastgrinsteadcc.co.uk

www.eastgrinsteadcc.co.uk   

4 CFC - Girls Elite Academy Horsham
Physical, Technical, Psychological & Social development in Football

4 CORNER FOOTBALL COACHING

4 CFC - Girls Elite Academy Training
5-14 years old welcome
Trail Date - Wednesday 19th February
Venue - Horsham Rugby Club 4G Pitch - RH13 6PJ
5.00-6.00pm
BOOK NOW - www.4cfc.co.uk
Email - info@4cfc.co.uk

Art Of The Week



Excellent and very professional work by Avy-Mai Wickenden in Year 10 photography final mounts for the Textures & Spaces GCSE project.

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

Mr Pearson - jpearson@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



Safeguarding at Sackville
PRIORITISING SAFETY & WELLBEING

Keeping our students safe is everybody's responsibility

If you need to talk to someone about an issue that is worrying you, you can speak to your form tutor, Community Team, or a member of your Safeguarding Team which includes Ms Meloni (Headteacher).

Additional members of our Safeguarding Team

Mr Millican - Lead DSL
Mr Street - Deputy DSL
Mrs Steer - Deputy DSL and CP Officer
Mrs Flude - Welfare Officer

Mr Endersby - CTL PE
Mrs Hunt - SENCO
Mr Pearson - CL Yousafai
Mrs Valentine - Head of 6th form

Mr Dupoy - Deputy Head of 6th form
Mr Cowlin - Deputy Head
Mrs Bull - 6th form Pastoral Support
Mr Vallally-Godfrey - CTL Computing

...you feel down or sad
...something is bothering you
Talk to one of your Safeguarding team or email: safeguarding@sackvilleschool.org.uk if...
...you are concerned about a friend
...you are worrying about something at home

MAMHET

MULTI-AGENCY MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION TRIAGE (MAMHET) The MAMHET brings together professionals to help identify and respond to presentations of children in mainstream secondary schools and Alternative Provision Colleges (WSAPC) where the school are concerned about the child's emotional health and the potential risk of suicide.

Please follow the link to read about the referral pathway: [MAMHET](#)

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STRESSED EMBARRASSED
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FUMING CONFUSED
GASSED HANGRY
ANXIOUS WHATEVER
OVER IT VIBING
DONE KNACKERED ALRIGHT
BETTER BORED
HORMONAL SOUND
Blessed CHILLED RAGING

**WHATEVER YOU'RE FEELING,
WE'RE HERE.**

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Tackle loneliness head on



Building Connections is an NSPCC service that empowers young people experiencing loneliness.

Building Connections

An NSPCC service

Want to get an online nude taken down?

 **Report Remove**

Having your nudes shared can feel scary. But it's not your fault. Report Remove could help you confidentially remove them from the internet.

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Many young people said they didn't feel equipped to cope with loneliness.

- The service has been created for young people up to the age of 19 who are experiencing loneliness.
- Across 11 online sessions, young people work through a seven-step programme with a befriender.
- Each Building Connections session gives young people tools that'll help them find a way through loneliness.



Hi, I'm Michelle 

"Whether a young person feels confident sharing their experience of loneliness or finds it more difficult to open up, that's okay. We're here to support them. Each session will help them find tools and build resilience to cope with loneliness."

Michelle, Building Connections Befriender

Build SUPPORT. Build CONFIDENCE. Build CONNECTIONS.

 **Search Building Connections**

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