



# Sackville School

TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE



# Families Bulletin

## Monday 31 March to Friday 4 April 2025

### HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Families

I hope this bulletin finds you well and enjoying the long-awaited spring sunshine—it finally feels like it is here to stay, at least for a few days!

It has been a busy and productive week, particularly for our Year 11 students. Many have been involved in PE and Performing Arts practical exams and moderations, alongside their final coursework submissions and pre-exam revision lessons. It was wonderful to see so many students and families at the Year 11 Consultation Evening last night. The strong partnership between school, parents/carers, and students was really evident, and it is inspiring to see our young people approaching this crucial period with such dedication and determination.

A special mention goes to members of our community who have been observing Ramadan over the past month. As we approach the end of this holy period, we extend our warmest wishes to all those celebrating Eid al-Fitr next week—Eid Mubarak!

We also recognise those in our community who have been observing Lent, a time of personal reflection, sacrifice, and prayer in the lead-up to Easter.

With the Easter break just around the corner, we are looking forward to celebrating the achievements of our students during next week's end-of-term assemblies. These events are always a highlight, as we take the time to acknowledge the hard work, progress, and successes of our students. I wonder which Community will be lifting the Cups this term!

A quick reminder that school will finish at the usual time of 2.55pm on Friday 4 April 2025, for all students and staff.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable break when it arrives.

Have a lovely weekend.

**Jo Meloni**  
Headteacher

**Week: A**

**Timetable: 4 + 1**

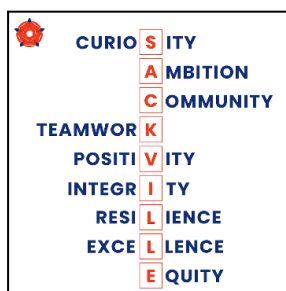
# Hot Choc With the Deputy Head

Always a pleasure to stand in for Ms Meloni. The Holmes students that joined me were a real delight and it was so lovely to hear what they have been up to. Delon, Joshua and Kellan were nominated for always being positive and enthusiastic; something that really came across in our discussion! They were so positive about school and talked warmly about their teachers, in particular Mrs Law and Mrs Stuart-Turner in Maths, Mr Jones in Computer Science and Mr Poulton in PE. Sanulya and Daa'im were nominated for having 100% attendance which is so impressive. As someone with young children I know how hard it is (and be lucky enough) to avoid the germs that can keep us off!

For the older students, it was great to hear Mack talk about his plans over Easter including a really big interview for his university of choice. I am really rooting for Mack and wish him all the best at a key time. Finally, and perhaps most impressively, Iliria was with us because she has just had her short film given IMDb credit after it had gained an 'Honourable Mention' at the White Rose Film Festival in 2024. I made Iliria promise to send us the link when it is published and we will hopefully share it with you then!

Well done to everyone who came and as always, I look forward to the next time I can sit in the hot seat!

**Pete Cowlin**  
**Deputy Headteacher**



## Key Dates

Thursday 3 April 2025

Friday 4 April 2025

**Friday 4 April - 21 April 2025**

Thursday 24 April 2025

Wednesday 20 April 2025

Thursday 1 May 2025

Tuesday 6 May 2025

Thursday 8 May 2025

Wednesday 14 May 2025

Pop Up Uniform Shop - 3.00pm - 6.00pm

Year 12 UCAS Discovery Event - Brighton

**HALF TERM**

Maths Enrichment Morning

Year 12 Consultation Evening

SEN Parent Carer Forum Coffee Morning - **POSTPONED**

**DATE TBA**

Junior Mathematical Challenge

Sports Awards - 6.00pm - 8.00pm

SEN Parent Carer Forum Online Meeting - **POSTPONED**

**DATE TBA**

Year 11 Information Evening

Families Focus Group - 6.00pm

# 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](mailto:amillican@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

Mr Street - [pstreet@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:pstreet@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

Mrs Steer - [asteer@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:asteer@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

Mrs Flude - [dflude@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:dflude@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

## **Safeguarding Team:**

Mr Endersby - [jendersby@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:jendersby@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

Mrs Hunt - [shunt@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:shunt@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

Mr Pearson - [jpearson@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:jpearson@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

Mrs Valentine - [hvalentine@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:hvalentine@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

Mr Dupoy - [jdupoy@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:jdupoy@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

Mr Cowlin - [pcowlin@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:pcowlin@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

Mrs Bull - [sbull@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:sbull@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

Mr Vallally-Godfrey - [avallallygodfrey@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto: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  
...you are worried about a friend  
...you are worrying about something at home

Talk to one of your Safeguarding team or email: [safeguarding@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@sackvilleschool.org.uk) if...

# 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 Supervisors](#)

# 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](#).

Next publication date: **W/B 4 April, 2025.**

## Futures - Find It Out Thursday

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

Different professionals come 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.



If you or someone you know would be willing to come in and speak to students about your profession, how you joined it, what qualifications and routes there are open to people. Hearing from people that are doing it day to day is invaluable to students while they explore options open to them. If you would be willing to come in and inspire the younger generation please contact Helen Smith on [hsmith@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto:shill@sackvilleschool.org.uk)).

**Lost Property Itinerary** - as of Friday 4 April 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, Sports, Services and Events

### Audio Active Half Term Activities

**AUDIOACTIVE**  
**FREE EASTER HAF ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 11-16**  
Who are eligible for benefit-related free school meals  
**PRODUCE, WRITE, DJ & RECORD**  
@ AudioActive Worthing, Montague St  
8th, 9th, 10th & 11th APRIL, 10:30 - 2:30  
Free lunch provided

Register for a place at  
[audioactive.org.uk/hafo](http://audioactive.org.uk/hafo)

west sussex county council  
Department for Education

### Stagecoach - East Grinstead

**SHREK The Musical JR**  
Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the Book by William Steig  
Book and Lyrics by David Lindsay-Abaire  
Music by Jeanine Tesori  
Originally produced on Broadway by DreamWorks Theatricals and Neil Street Productions  
Original Production Directed by Jason Moore and Rob Ashford  
"Thea & Belinda" by Neil Patrick Harris

**SUMMER WORKSHOP**  
**STAGECOACH EAST GRINSTEAD**  
We are delighted to announce that this years show will be SHREK JR! There will be the usual mix of songs, characters, fabulous dance numbers and plenty of jazz hands!

Age: 7+ years  
Time: Mon - Fri, 10.00 - 16.00  
Performance: Fri, 17.00  
Cost: £180 (£150 Sibling)  
[stagecoach.co.uk/eastgrinstead](http://stagecoach.co.uk/eastgrinstead)  
07756 039006

4 - 8 AUGUST  
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11TH MAY 2025  
1000-1700



## FACE Newsletter and Timetable

**FACE** Spring 2025 Newsletter

FACE delivers online support via zoom for parents across the UK. Talks are 90 minutes long, £24 each - Book Online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

Schools can now buy a **FACE School Annual Membership** which means **ALL** parents and **ALL** staff get unlimited **FREE** access to **ALL** 16 parent talks

**Responding to Angry Behaviour**  
What can we do in the moment?  
Thursday 24th April 19:00 - 20:00  
**FREE**

**Anxiety Explained**  
Anxiety, especially in our young is rising. This session explains what it is, why it happens and how you can help.  
Tuesday 18th March 10:00 - 11:30  
£24

**Supporting a Child with ADHD**  
Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.  
Thursday 3rd April 10:00 - 11:30  
£24

**Improving Family Communication**  
How to reduce the shouting and arguing and start the talking.  
Tuesday 3rd April 19:00 - 20:30  
£24

[facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk) [info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk](mailto:info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

**FACE Spring Timetable**  
all sessions delivered live online via zoom £24 each 90 minutes long  
book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

Anxiety Explained	18 MAR 7pm
What is ACT?	20 Mar 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	24 MAR 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	24 MAR 7pm
Decreasing Depression	25 MAR 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	25 MAR 7pm
AUTISM: Improving Communication	2 APR 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	3 APR 10am
Improving Family Communication	3 APR 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	7 APR 10am
Facing Defiance	7 APR 7pm
Anxiety-Based School Avoidance	8 APR 10AM
Understanding Anger	8 APR 7pm
Anxiety Explained	14 APR 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	14 APR 7pm

## Golf

**Get into Golf**  
**Women & Girls Golf**

**Taster Sessions with a PGA Pro**

Come along and join us for fun sessions with interactive and on course games, all led by a PGA Professional

What's on?

- Girls Golf: Thursday 10 April 9am-1pm
- Women's Golf: Friday 11 April 3:30-7 pm
- Women & Girls Golf: Sunday 13 April 1:30-5pm

Sign up now on Eventbrite!!

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for potential new players to join  
our U13 Girls team next season  
(children currently in school year 7)

**April 10th & 17th**  
**6.00pm to 7.30pm**  
**@ Oriol High School**

For more info call  
our lead coach Rosco on  
**07961 636231**

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## Autism Team

**Autism and Social Communication Team**

**Exploring Autism for Parent Carers**  
A programme offering up to date thinking and links to evidence-based research for parent carers of autistic children and young people.

**Unlocking Potential**

Sessions to explore Autism and strategies to support acceptance, empowerment, and relationships in family life.

**Are you a parent carer of a child or young person, aged 8-16 years, who is autistic or on the social communication pathway and have not attended this course before?**

This programme has been developed to ensure that it is current and up to date to provide information for those new to Autism or for those requiring a little more in-depth knowledge. The programme is free of charge to families of children in West Sussex maintained schools and academies.

**Course aims:**

- to give a broad and balanced and positive view of how autism and social communication differences may impact on the child or young person's life and their family.
- to explore key practical strategies that can support autistic children and young people.
- to provide a forum for families to share their experiences and expertise together.

**Course outline:**  
The six sessions focus on both theoretical and practical aspects of Autism including strengths, needs, and challenges. These recorded sessions are viewable when convenient to the family, followed by a weekly one hour online meeting. This online meeting provides opportunity to participate in discussions and ask questions with other families and the advisory teachers. There is no pressure to contribute or have your camera on, and we welcome input via the chat function. We ask that parent carers attend each of these weekly online discussion groups.

**Exploring Autism Welcome Video:**  
<https://youtu.be/JaGPmJH8Ms>

**Dates:**

Autumn 2: Every Tuesday 1-2pm from 5th November to the 10th December 2024.

Spring 1: Tuesday 6.30-7.30pm 7th January to the 11th February 2025.

Spring 2: Every Thursday 12-1pm from 27th February to the 3rd April 2025.

Summer 1: Every Wednesday 6.30-7.30pm from 30th April to the 11th June 2025 (excluding 28th May due to half term).

Summer 2: Every Thursday 1-2pm from 5th June - 10th July 2025.

Summer Holidays: 6.30-7.30pm Dates TBC

**To be added to the waiting list please contact:**  
**Email:** [ASCT@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:ASCT@westsussex.gov.uk)

Please note there are a limited number of places on this course.