



08 October 2025

Dear Families

Glyndebourne Opera House Visit – Tuesday 04 November 2025

This year we have been fortunate to secure tickets for the schools performance of Mark Anthony-Turnage's new opera 'The Railway Children' at Glyndebourne Opera House, Lewes on Tuesday 04 November 2025. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to watch a world-class performance in a memorable setting, with this year's event an exciting new production of a familiar classic. Students who joined us for the trip last year had a wonderful day and we are excited to offer the experience for students in years 9 and 10 this year.

Places have been offered to our Year 10 music class, as well as students from year 9 who are members of a music group or learn a musical instrument. We have limited tickets available and we expect these to sell out, so if you wish for your child to join us then please do respond as soon as possible. We politely request that payment and consent for a place on the trip are made by Friday 17 October 2025. Payments can be made via the MCAS app and the Google consent form is [here](#).

You are invited to make a voluntary contribution of £19.00, which will cover the cost of the ticket and return travel to Glyndebourne. I must, however, tell you that as the school could not bear the cost of this trip, it will not take place unless parents, who are able to, are willing to contribute.

We never want cost to be a barrier preventing members of our Sackville Community from our culture of belonging or from being able to take part in trips and events. We will work closely with all families to ensure that every child has equitable access to opportunity, during their time at Sackville School. We will provide full funding for our eligible Pupil Premium students, from the available grant for this opportunity. If you have any questions please get in contact with your community team.

We will leave school via minibus at 9.30am to arrive at Glyndebourne in time for the performance at 11.00am. It is scheduled to finish at around 1.30pm so we anticipate arriving back at Sackville by the end of the school day. There will be time for students to eat before the performance and during the interval, so please bring refreshments for the day (although these will not be permitted in the auditorium!).

Peanuts or peanut related products are not allowed to be taken on any school visit.

We will be assigned a waiting area outside the auditorium which, whilst covered, is outdoors, so students should dress appropriately for the temperature.

Insurance for all school trips is arranged through West Sussex County Council. Full details of the policy can be found on our [website](#).

We look forward to a really exciting day.

Yours sincerely

Mr Alastair Webb

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