

23 September 2025

Dear Families

Year 11 GCSE PE - Rock Climbing on either:

Group 1 – Monday 1 December and Tuesday 2 December or

Group 2 – Monday 8 December and Tuesday 9 December

As we approach the submission of practical grades of the GCSE PE course we want to ensure we give your child the best chance possible to achieve a high coursework grade. The practical element of the course is worth 40% of their final qualification.

As you are probably aware students need to be assessed over three practical performances. We have an opportunity on the dates above to take your child off-site for 2 days in order to be assessed in rock climbing at High Sports in Brighton. This course is run by experienced and qualified instructors who have a high rate of success in gaining good scores when teaching the skills of rock climbing. We would like to give your child the chance to take part in this activity in order to improve their overall course work grade.

You are invited to make a voluntary contribution of £129.00, which will cover the cost of the two day visit including transport and other incidental costs. I must however tell you, that as the school could not bear the cost of the visit, the visit will not take place unless all parents, who are able, are willing to contribute. Payment can be made via the My Child at School app by Friday 28 November 2025.

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. If any families would like their child to take part in this opportunity and would need financial assistance, we invite families to get in touch with us to discuss what may be available.

Students will need to wear their PE top with tracksuit bottoms/shorts/leggings and a sweatshirt or hoodie. They will need sturdy trainers and a packed lunch with plenty of snacks as this will be a challenging couple of days. The school will provide transport to High Sports, leaving at 8.10am and returning the students to school for approximately 5.00pm.

We will confirm which two days your child has been allocated, however if they are unable to do one of the slots due to other commitments, then please email Mr Endersby or Mrs Richards so that we can ensure they are allocated to the two day slot that they can do.

If your child would like to take up this opportunity, please could I ask you to complete the parental consent form [HERE](#) by Friday 3 October 2025, in order to secure their place as we have to confirm numbers with the company that we use – payment can be made later.

Insurance for all school trips is arranged through West Sussex County Council. Full details of the policy can be found on our [website](#). **Peanuts or peanut related products are not allowed to be taken on any school visit.**

Yours sincerely

Mr Endersby
CTL PE

Mrs Richards
Deputy CTL PE