



Dear Parents,

Christmas has arrived already and there has been a tremendous amount of **hard work** and **good cheer** at Sackville!

Our year 11 students have completed their first set of mock examinations this year and I was very impressed by their approach, as well as being hugely grateful to our exams office staff, the year 11 team, the invigilators, the learning support assistants and the study supervisors for ensuring that everything went so smoothly. Many thanks also to the teaching staff for all the marking and to you, the parents, for your excellent support.

As has become customary at Sackville, year 11 tutors **presented the mock results** to their tutees after a special assembly on the penultimate day of term. This provided a similar experience to the reality next August and it helps students to get a sense of



where they have reached as they return in January and begin their journey towards the second set of mock exams in March.

My gift to all of year 11 of a **special Sackville pen** to help them along their way has become customary; I am immensely proud of them all!

I look forward to seeing parents at the special year 11 parents' evening on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January which will focus on study skills, revision and exam preparation.



It was great to see so many **sixth form parents** attend our **consultation evening with subject teachers** last Thursday and I am looking forward to Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January when we welcome our **year 8 parents** at the start of a term in which students will choose their GCSE options.

Throughout December there has been a **definite hint of Christmas** in the air, not least due to our very own '**Big Reveal**' which provided the launch!



On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November, Mr Feist and I visited all of the **classrooms and offices** that were decorated for the event. The idea, the **brainchild of our General Office**, was fully embraced by many to leave the judging a challenge. As you can see from the photos in the collage on the next page, choosing between these spectacular efforts was not easy. After a full inspection however, the awards were:-



- Overall Winner: Student Support Unit (pictured here)
- Best Office: Finance
- Best Tutor Room: **7SBP C05**
- Honorary Mentions for Creativity: LRC alpine village, Y9 Office wallpaper, Physics Prep Room Blue Peter crown, Drama Office script tree.



Many thanks to staff and students for making the school look so fantastically festive – even the year **11s in the middle of their mocks** were cheered up by it all!





On Monday November 26th, **Mrs Farrant** (Year 7 Pastoral Assistant), **Mr Thompson** (Year 7 Leader) and I were delighted to invite to afternoon tea **over fifty year 7 students whose overall attitude to learning was 'outstanding'** at the last set of monitoring grades.

To achieve this high standard, students have to show exemplary participation in every lesson and complete both classwork and homework to a standard above their 'minimum expected grade'.

A fantastic start to their time at Sackville – congratulations!

The weekend before this saw us undertaking what is now a regular fixture of the calendar: our **Sackville Singers entertaining the town as the Christmas Lights are switched on**. A selection of songs was sung to an appreciative audience before the ceremonial first lighting of the town illuminations. Special thanks to **Ms Nixon** and **Tia Bartlett** for organising and leading the singers, and to **Mrs Rowlingson** and **Mrs Beeney** for accompanying me in coming along to support. It was a great way to properly **kick off the festive season** and our efforts were much appreciated by the **Rotary Club** organisers.

Congratulations to our sixth form law students for their excellent performances at the student **Mock Trial at Maidstone Crown Court** on Saturday December 1st.

It was a busy and worthwhile day. Excellent advocacy from our **barristers Danica Douglas**, **Melissa Turner** and **Morgan Hake** meant that **Tatyana Koleva** was found not guilty three times. **Clerk** and **usher John Hollins** and **Aimee Lane** had also clearly fully prepared for their roles. **Ben Thomas** and **Alistair Knox** played the roles of witnesses with gusto.



Thank-you to Mrs Fleming and Mr Roberts for giving up a day at the weekend to accompany the students.

At this time of year, Unison hold their **'Stars In Our Schools'** day to celebrate the fine work done by support staff throughout the country. It is certainly something that we much appreciate at Sackville and, accordingly, we decided to hold a **special afternoon tea** for our support staff on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December. **Senior Leaders served tea and coffee** and our **student musicians Matthew Botten**, **Tom Salter**, **Alex Lucas**, **Eloise Grainger** and **Ella Straszynski** provided wonderful accompaniment on our **grand piano**. **Mrs Rowlingson**, my PA, made the most wonderful scones and sausage rolls and a very good time was had by all!



On **the sporting front** we continue to be highly active and successful. Our Sackville PE & Sport twitter has all the latest news and updates; do follow it if you can as it makes impressive reading! Highlights in December have included our **U12 Girls' Hockey team beating Lingfield 7-1**, with **Katie Smyth** player of the match, and our **U13 rugby team reaching the Area Cup Final after beating Tanbridge House 60-10**. **Will Bramwell, Matt Crenel, Samuel Lane** and **Harrison Foster-McPhedran** all scored 2 tries – well done to them!



Our **sports leaders** have been really tremendous this term, helping to organise many events with a particular focus on our neighbouring school, **Estcots**. On the last Monday of term I invited them together at breaktime for juice and a bun as a mark of my **appreciation for all that they do**.

Our **year 13 drama** students treated a highly appreciative audience to two different interpretations of scenes from Shakespeare's **'A Midsummer Night's Dream'** on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December. We were transported from a dismal December evening to the enchanted setting of



Shakespeare's comic masterpiece by the sheer exuberance of the performers. Both groups performed in the style of the **Kneehigh Theatre Company**, which always demands deep reserves of energy and had the audience in frequent fits of hysterical laughter!

During the last few days of term, many festive activities have taken place and a good time has been had by all.

The **year 7** team organised a **'Silent Disco'** for the year group after school on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December which was a great idea and a sight to behold! This was swiftly followed by **celebration assemblies** the following week at which we welcomed many parents, awarded prizes and watched tutor groups perform a variety of pieces with much enthusiasm.





We have thoroughly enjoyed the **legendary Sackville Christmas dinner** this year which was so popular that it had to be served over two days! Our canteen staff, joined by the finance team and others, put on an **amazing spread** with decorated tables, crackers and much more. The atmosphere was full of festive cheer accompanied by the **sixth form band**. How nice it was to see our young people and the staff enjoying a hearty roast dinner. Events like these are second to



#### none in my opinion!

Not be left out, our **6<sup>th</sup> form now have their own Christmas Dinner** where they opt for buffet style. Again, it was a positive event to mark the end of their term and Mr Whitehead provided his usual entertaining raffle to round it all off.





A number of our year 9 students set off for Germany on Saturday for visits to Aachen, Cologne and the Christmas markets. As the photos show, they are having a marvellous time and I am very grateful to **Mr Leahy**, supported by **Mrs Belliere**, **Miss Garrison** and **Miss Offler**, for organising this trip.



Our carol service has become a firm favourite on the

school calendar and has become increasingly well known in the town. We were delighted to welcome **Mr Brooks**, a former Headteacher of Sackville in the 1980s and, of course, **Mrs Joslin**, widow of his predecessor. The **mayor** and **rotary** members joined us as well as you, the **parents**, who are of course the most important people of all! The **students performed superbly** throughout and the **school governors** were kind enough to lay on refreshments at the end. All in all, it was a **wonderful community event**.



Finally our term ended with our traditional Christmas assemblies. Mr Keeble talked about the anniversary of the first orbit of the moon, Mr Roberts read his Christmas message, the students brilliantly sang a karaoke, and the teachers performed a dance under the watchful eyes of year 13 students **Melissa Turner** and **Juno Phitidis**.



The end of a school term always brings one or two staff departures and fortunately not many at Sackville. At Christmas we will say a sad farewell to **Mr Lea**, our Head of Computing, who leaves us for a new post at St. Bede's School, Redhill. Mr Lea has contributed a great deal to the school, including leading our **e-safety evenings**, and is much respected by students and parents. We wish him all the best.

As we close for Christmas, we are always mindful of those less fortunate at this time of year. I was heartened by the tremendous collection of food by students and staff for donation to the



local Foodbank and would like to thank everyone for their generous support.

With best wishes for a joyful festive season.

Julian Grant Headteacher

#### SECOND HAND UNIFORM

The second hand uniform shop is now in place – **most items only £1 each** ... We have shirts, skirts, trousers and PE kits all waiting for a new home! Please visit reception to ask to see the stock or ask your child to visit at lunchtimes. We ask that you are patient if reception is busy at the time you visit.

Is your child now too big for the shirt you bought 6 weeks ago? Please give it a new home at the second hand shop, all clothes donations to reception gratefully received.

It was great to welcome the scouts from the 1st Turner's Hill and Crawley Down pack last month for a session supporting their Astronomer Badge work. We were grateful for the clear skies which allowed a laser guided tour of the sky to spot constellations identified

### Astronomy news

Mr Bush writes:-



on the star maps we issued.

The weather was favourable once again for the Sackville observatory open evening on Wednesday 12 December. Clear skies allowed over thirty guests views of the Andromeda Galaxy, Orion Nebula, Pleiades and even Comet Wirtanen.

The waxing crescent moon however provided the best photo opportunities as seen here. We had some lovely feedback from those present, with one guest saying:



"Wow, what a fantastic evening stargazing on a clear but cold night. Thanks so much to Mr Bush, your knowledge is incredible and I am inspired to learn more. Especially loved the Pleiades star cluster. Can't

wait for the next evening."

Thanks to Kev Brockbank for coming along with his telescope and reducing the size of the queues, as well as Geraldine James for her continued support.

The next open evening is on 16th January -

please visit our Observatory Facebook page for details:

https://www.facebook.com/SackvilleObservatory/

Finally, our year 12 Physics students were able to begin their project with astronomers from the University of Sussex using their 18cm telescope in Chelwood Gate. Once again the weather was perfect and five students spend four hours observing and photographing galaxies in Pegasus and Cygnus. Raw images need careful processing, but a flavour of the photos they achieved is here, as is a photo of Ben controlling the huge telescope!





# **MFL Poetry Slam**

Ms Stewart writes:-



Ten talented Year 10 linguists took part in a Multilingual Poetry Slam on November. The first round took place in Eastbourne where they created poems in English, French Spanish and German on the theme of 'peace', working with students from Eastbourne College and Seaford Head School. Six of our students travelled to the French Institute in London for the finals where they competed against students from London schools. Each poem was performed in front of an audience and the judges. The panel included a professional poet and the Head of the French Institute. All of our hard work paid off and we came away with wins in three categories and one honourable mention:

 Playing with languages: Charlotte Nield and Sophie Taylor
Team work: Jamie Bland and Tom Herron plus an honourable mention for Eve Lewis

□ Humour and wit: Summer Thompson

The students commented: 'It was an amazing experience and I learnt so much' and would recommend it to others: 'It's not what you expect so give it a go!'

Congratulations and many thanks for all the enthusiasm and courage to all who took part:

Jamie Bland, Leah Bush, Thomas Herron, Eve Lewis, Charlotte Nield, Nicole Noakes, Sophie Payton, Hannah Sisley, Sophie Taylor, and Summer Thompson.



# Celebrating the efforts of our fantastic year 11s

Mrs Knock writes:-

Year 11s have been rewarded throughout December for being just awesome. Each day names are sent through by members of staff and those names are written up on our baubles. Students then come to the Year office to claim their treats; it's been a great way for us to touch base with them all during their exams, congratulate them on all that they are doing and just check in generally that everything's been going ok.

A few nominations have been

- □ Elisha Appleby: Extremely polite whilst in reception. A real credit
- Poppy Nicholls: Clearly worked very hard towards her mocks, has stepped up to play netball after school today and is an allround good egg
- □ The student I continue to be impressed by is Jack Lazarus. He clearly worked hard for his mock exam
- **Beth Gregg** for being a total star in English and for baking me the most amazing 'Jekyll and Hyde' cake
- Theo Casey for his 'Macbeth' mock essay he showed that he'd listened in class and done all the right things when it mattered in the mock.
- □ Nathaniel Morris staying after school on Friday after 10 days of exams to do coursework

As you can see our baubles have had to increase massively!



# News from the LRC

As usual Mrs Rose is ensuring that there has been a lot going on in the LRC in the run-up to Christmas. As well as the LRC entry into the 'Big Reveal' a big focus this month has been the **book fair** with many titles half price or less. It's always good to see students buying books!

**Cecee Cashman** won the '**Why I read**' competition, and a £5 book token for her efforts. There were four other winners of £5 tokens given by Scholastic, organisers of the book fair. These were Ella Handyside, Dylan Gates, Alex Pocock and Grace Kolter.



Apologies for the gender-specific nature of the quote above – I hope the sentiment comes through this.

Throughout the last week of term, **Mr Roberts** has also been reading Christmas stories to students in the LRC. Mr Roberts is in fact a big fixture of a Sackville Christmas, and as usual he read to the school during the final assembly. His reading follows.

### Mr Roberts' Christmas reading

Last year I talked about enjoying the little things and making the most of what you experience each day. I wondered if I should have talked about momentous events like the terrorist attacks we had seen in London and Manchester in 2017. So in January, I decided for 2018 I would make a note of events as they occurred so I wouldn't leave important bits out.

It may have been a good idea but frankly 2018 began with a whimper. In March we had a poisoning on the streets of Salisbury and not much else. We had a repeat of that at the beginning of July, and we had the football World Cup but still there was nothing grabbing my attention, despite some hope and expectation form a young and inexperienced England football team who had belief in themselves and their relatively youthful leader. Aside from our politicians arguing with each other and making limited progress with anything, there has been little else to grab our attention.

So, reflecting on the year, I was probably right to value the seemingly little things and those close to home, in fact, right here at Sackville. In July we had CEW and I was involved with Year 10 Futures Day. I'd really enjoyed it the previous year with my own form group, the glorious 10 JRS, so I was unsure



how it would be this year with students I didn't really know. It should have come as no great surprise when it turned out to be a genuine pleasure to work with some students in Mr Tyrrell's form and to get to have a personal chat with a few of them.

I was delighted by their maturity, and when you teach a lot of year 10 classes you get to see some seriously unserious silliness, but their responses were quite humbling. I asked them about who inspired them and who they looked up to, fully expecting them to refer to celebrities from the world of pop culture or sport. None of them did; the overriding theme was support from home, most especially from their Mums.

There were real heart-felt responses from students about what was the true inspiration and support in their lives, and it was what came from home.



I asked them about hopes and aspirations for the future and again I received sensible, grounded answers which surprised and thrilled me. This is why the adults in this hall do the jobs we do; it is because of You.

You show us and bring us hope, a complete reminder of the message of Christmas, hope in the future in the shape of the young people we work with day in day out but with whom we rarely get the time to chat and find out what makes you tick.

This helpful hopeful attitude rose again in November when so many students did so much on their own and alongside the adults to support two of our students with most serious health issues.

For Annie, the staff and student sixth form quiz and raffle was attended

by record numbers as well as being supported by businesses in and around the town. For Andrew, year 8 enjoyed a basketball tournament followed by a staff match which was competitive and entertaining.

We hold both Annie and Andrew close in our prayers this Christmas tide.

And so to Christmas, we have decorated rooms and spaces around the school, we have eaten feasts, a few of us have enjoyed some stories and poems and today we all come together to be happy, for a celebration in the midst of winter.

For many Christmas is a break from normal routine and a time of joy with festive fun food and presents enjoyed with family and friends.

That won't be the way it is for everybody. There are all too many whose hearts are, for many reasons, filled with sadness. On Monday I heard on the news that, even in Surrey and Sussex and other places close by, there will be children who go hungry and cold this Christmas, and again our prayers go out to them.

Monday, however wasn't just about poverty, Sackville celebrated with a Carol Service of sheer delight. We were incredibly well lead by fantastic readers from year 7 and by truly talented singers and musicians of all ages; for me the highlight was the singing of O Holy night, Oh night divine, when Christ was born - I challenge anyone who heard it not to have been moved,

So, Most of us will share a wonderful time together and for a short while at least forget the troubles and worries that surround us.

May we all spare a thought preferably supported by a donation to a charity for the homeless or a gift to a food bank, spare a moment at least for those less well off than us this Christmas.

And now as ever, may I wish each and every one of you a peaceful, joyful, happy and blessed time; take a moment to think of those for whom it will not be filled with love and to you all a very happy Christmas.

Jim Roberts Christmas 2018

### Sackville Wednesday Morning Prayer Meeting

A small group meet every Wednesday morning in the school from 7.45 - 8.15am to pray for the life of the school. If people have any prayer requests they can be sent to <u>John Starling</u> or left with in reception.

# Youth Mental Health First Aid training

Mrs Nibloe Writes:-



I write to update that the first round of staff training this academic year took place at the beginning of the month. We had colleagues from three of our primary schools training alongside Sackville staff. As before, despite the hard hitting and thorough nature of course content the delegates were engaged and already quite passionate about the subject matter. It was lovely to feel that everyone in the room was on board with what is an



important area in today's society. Absolutely everyone one the course gained new knowledge or skills and some of the comments are as follows:

- "Incredibly interesting and really well delivered thank you Hannah!"
- "Very thorough, informative and thought provoking. A very good course."

I am once again looking forward to delivering this training to more Sackville staff and into the wider community in January and June. Hopefully with this training the young people in and around our school will get the help and support through what can be one of the most challenging times. Watch this space!

## Students – former and current

One of the participants at the MHFA training was Laura Simpson (class of 2006, Steve Latus) and Head Girl 2007-2008. Laura is now Assistant Headteacher at Felbridge Primary School. She is concentrating hard (nothing changes!) at the back of the picture above.

Meanwhile Matthew Meek (class of 2014, Sean Maywood), apprentice data analyst at Marks and Spencer, made the front of the company website earlier this year. As if the intense competition for this sought-after apprenticeship was not enough, Matt entered and won the M&S bake-off. This means that a version of his creation is on sale in every M&S café, with a portion of the money for every slice sold going to MacMillan Cancer Relief.



Our performers go from strength to strength, with both Amber Titchener and Michael Hoelters performing at the Hop Yard in Forest Row last Thursday (in Michael's case after the sixth form open evening!).



## Do you want to help our students take the next steps?

Ms Rooke writes:-

As part of our expanding Careers Programme at Sackville, we are delighted to announce that we will be hosting a 'Meet the **Professionals'** evening alongside Year 8 Options on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>** March.

This has been **incredibly successful in the past** due to members of our community volunteering to take part, sharing their experiences and helping shape our students' career paths. So whether you run your own business, work for a large corporate company or work in the public sector and are able to give up a couple of hours of your time we would love to hear from you.



Please contact Ms Rooke at <u>erooke@sackvilleschool.org.uk</u> for further details.

# **Sports News**

The fixtures have continued despite the shortening days and deteriorating weather ...

22 <sup>nd</sup> November: <b>U15 boys' Hockey</b> drew 2-2 with Oathall. Scorer <b>Luke Peel</b> (2). Players of the match <b>Oliver Ally</b> and <b>Cameron MacInnes</b> .	November 22 <sup>nd</sup> : <b>U14 basketball</b> lost to Michael Hall 14-24.
	November 22 <sup>nd</sup> : <b>U16 girls' football</b> lost to Blatchington Mill 1-2 in the County Cup. Player of the match <b>Hannah Plumb</b>
November 26 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U12 rugby</b> lost 5-25 to Warden Park, with the game being closer than the score would suggest. Player of the match <b>Oliver Hodge</b>	November 26 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U12 girls' football</b> won 8-0 against Thomas Bennett. Scorers <b>Poppy Furbank</b> (2), <b>Katie Smyth</b> (2), <b>Noemi</b> <b>Molnar</b> (2) and Lauren Tweed (2). Player of the match <b>Noemi</b> <b>Molnar</b>
November 27 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U13 boys' football</b> lost 1-7 to Imberhorne. Socrer <b>Ollie Randall</b> , players of the match <b>Ollie Randall</b> and <b>Max Prior</b> . Our possession and attitude deserved more	November 27 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U14 girls' football</b> lost 0-10 to The Weald. Players of the match <b>Lily Walker</b> and <b>Emma Smyth</b> . Not a good day at the office.
November 27 <sup>th</sup> : <b>KS4 badminton</b> lost 13-21 to Lingfield after a large number of singles and doubles games. Players of the tournament Rachel <b>Canepa-Anson</b> and <b>Luke Peel</b>	November 27 <sup>th</sup> : <b>Rugby first XV</b> beat Lingfield 31-5. Scorers <b>Matt Tomkinson</b> (2), <b>Lewis Bushell, Stan Wheeler, Caleb</b> <b>Rebelo. James Young</b> three conversions. Player of the match <b>Dan Harding</b>
November 27 <sup>th</sup> : <b>Girls' hockey first XI</b> beat Lingfield 4-0. Player of the match <b>Millie Rymer-Gough</b>	November 28 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U14 boys' football</b> beat Imberhorne 2-0 in the County Cup. Scorer <b>Harvey Burgess</b> (2). Player of the match Jake Lingard.
November 28 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U13 rugby</b> lost 0-15 to The Weald. Player of the match <b>Logan Joao</b> and <b>George Sutton</b>	November 29 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U15B girls' hockey</b> beat Lingfield C team 5-0

	November 28 <sup>th</sup> : <b>KS4 girls' badminton area tournament</b> , lost three games and won 2. All games were very close.
November 29 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U14 boys' hockey</b> lost to Oathall 1-2. Scorer <b>Jake Lingard</b> . Player of the match <b>James Knott</b> for some fantastic saves in goal.	November 29 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U15 rugby tournament</b> beat Tanbridge House 3-1, beat Oathall 2-1 and lost 1-2 to Forest in the final to finish second overall. Players of the tournament <b>Vincent Turner</b> and <b>Ben Aubrey</b>
	December 3 <sup>rd</sup> : U14 girls' hockey beat Lingfield Bs 4-0. <b>Bea</b> <b>Chappell</b> voted player of the match
December 4 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U13 rugby</b> team are in the Area Cup Final thanks to a 60-10 win against Tanbridge House. Scoreres <b>Will</b> <b>Bramwell</b> (2), <b>Matt Crenel</b> (2), <b>Samuel Lane</b> (2), <b>Harrison</b> <b>Foster-McPhedran</b> (2), <b>George Sutton</b> , <b>Ben Iljin</b> , <b>Izaak Shimizu</b> and <b>Josh Sparkes</b> . Player of the match <b>Connor Madden</b>	December 4 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U14 basketball</b> beat The Weald 18-12. Player of the match <b>Leo Granstrom</b> for his rebounding
	December 5 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U12 girls' hockey</b> A team beat Lingfield 7-1, player of the match Katie Smyth. B team had a coaching game and lost 1-3. Players of the match <b>Poppy Furbank</b> and <b>Ella</b> <b>McKenzie</b> .
December 4 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U13 netball</b> A team lost 8-14 to Imberhorne, player of the match <b>Mia Carew</b> . B team won 14-6, player of the match <b>Amelie Saul</b> .	December 6 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U15 girls' hockey</b> drew 1-1 with Lingfield B team. Player of the match <b>Hannah Plumb</b> . Players' player <b>Niamh Brind</b> .
December 7 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U12 rugby</b> lost 0-30 to Hurstpierpoint. Players of the tournament <b>Jay Richardson</b> for his tackling and <b>Blake</b> <b>Curtis</b> for his great rucking	December 10 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U14 girls' hockey</b> lost 0-1 to Lingfield. Players of the match <b>Tilly Vickery</b> and <b>Emma Smyth</b> .
	December 10 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U12 girls' netball</b> C team won 12-5 versus Michael Hall. For many players this was a first netball game. Player of the match <b>Poppy Furbank</b> .

December 10 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U14 boys' football</b> beat Lingfield 3-0. Scorers Harvey Burgess (2), Lucas Sewell. Player of the match Callum Kilkenny for being everywhere on the pitch.	December 11 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U12 boys' football</b> lost 0-9 to Varndean, who Mr Endersby described as one of the best teams he has ever seen (ask him who he supports). Player of the match <b>Jay</b> <b>Richardson</b> who was one of the best players on the pitch.
December 11 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U16 Netball A team</b> beat Oathall 10-6, player of the match <b>Erin Harnett</b> . B team lost 6-14, player of the match <b>Olivia Ross</b> .	December 13 <sup>th</sup> : <b>U16 boys' football</b> narrowly lost to Cardinal Newman after a long journey in the County Cup. Player of the Match <b>Joe Stone</b> , who fought with superb commitment till the end. We are going to miss you Joe!

December 12<sup>th</sup>: **U12 girls' football** beat Oriel 8-1. Scorers **Bella Kilkenny** (2), **Katie Smyth** (2), **Noemi Molnar**, **Daisy Titchener**, **Poppy Furbank** and **Yasmina Lahboub** 

### **Reports from Miss Offler**

#### U12 Football Match

Our U12 girls' football team faced **Thomas Bennett** on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November. The girls played superbly throughout the game and showed excellent teamwork. Poppy Furbank took the whole Bennett team on in the first minute of the game which paid off as she got the first goal of the game! The girls kept delivering strong attacking plays throughout the first half which resulted in a further goals being scored by Noemi Molnar (2) and Katie Smyth (2) making the half time score 5-0. The second half saw more excellent play from the Sackville girls. The girls communication throughout the second half was great and lead to a further 3 goals from Poppy (1), and Lauren Tweed (2) resulting in the final score being Sackville 8 – Thomas Bennett 0. Player of the match was given to Noemi Molnar for excellent distribution of the ball.

**The team**: Louise Harrington, Katie Smyth, Noemi Molnar, Bella Kilkenny, Daisy Titchener, Poppy Furbank, Yasmina Lahboub, Lauren Tweed, Eden Kosifou.

#### **U12 Girls Football**



The U12's managed to squeeze in another fixture before the Christmas holidays, this time against Oriel. This was another league fixture and without putting too much pressure on the girls, they were reminded that they hadn't yet lost a league game!

Once again the team had a great start to the game, showing their excellent competitiveness. Having done a lot of practice on moving across the pitch as a team, the girls held their formation throughout. The goals began came in thick and fast in the first half, firstly from Neomi Molnar, swiftly followed by Bella Kilkenny, Katie Smyth and Daisy Titchener. The girls gained in confidence over the

course of the first half, leading to a second goal from Katie, followed by a first for Poppy and Yasmina.

In the second half we had a big switch around. Louise Harrington, who was initially in goal, came out to have a run out on the pitch and Neomi Molnar went in goal. The girls found themselves out of their comfort zones in this half playing out of their usual positions, but they rose to the challenge. Whilst our shaping deteriorated, our passing game stayed strong which proved to the girls that all their practice had paid off!

#### U14 Girls Football League Match

The U14 girls' team played their next league match against The Weald. The conditions were less than ideal with heavy rain beating down the entire match and much cooler temperatures. The team had a bad day at the office in this game going 6-0 down in the first half. The girls went into the second half thinking about how they could improve their performance and their hard work showed as they dug deep to try and gain more attacking plays against a strong Weald side. Better play came from Emma Smyth, Frey Ohta and Orla Humphrey in midfield which resulted in providing Eve Kendall with Sackville's only chance on goal in the game. The Weald's goalkeeper made a great save denying Sackville any goals for this game. Whilst the Sackville girls made an improvement in their game play in the second half. The Weald scored another four goals, making the final score Sackville 0 – The Weald 10. A tough day but the girls learnt a lot from this game and are now looking forward to their next game to make improvements and secure some goals! Players of the match went to Emma Smyth and Lily Walker.

**The team**: Lily Walker, Keira Drewry, Ella Kosifou, Scarlett Green, Vicky Majda, Eve Kendall, Freya Otha, Orla Humphrey, Shannon Feeney, Skye Caffyn-Baptie, Louisa Orme, Emma Smyth.

#### U16 Girls Football Cup Match

The U16 girls' team had their next cup game against Blatchington Mill, which promised to be a great match. Both teams performed well in the first half but Blatchington got the edge scoring the first goal of the game. Rhianna Major, Poppy Nicholls and Lucy Plumb were all working well to put pressure on Blatchington's keeper but were unable to secure a goal in the first half. The second half saw a similar story. Blatchington Mill scored their second goal early on in the second half but the Sackville girls didn't give up. A great corner from Lucy found Emma Smyth in the box who found the back of the net to give Sackville their first and only goal of the game. Hannah Plumb was tested in goal a few more times before the final whistle went but she kept them at bay, making the final score Sackville 1 – Blatchington Mill 2.



Player of the match went to Hannah Plumb. It's a shame the girls are out of the cup, however, they have played brilliantly throughout their cup games and should be pleased with their performances.

**The team**: Hannah Plumb, Lucy Plumb, Poppy Nicholls, Rhianna Major, Eloise Bassett, Ella Devine, Issy Carrick, Emma Smyth, Keira Drewry, Ella Kosifou, Lily Walker, Eve Kendall, Shannon Feeney, Skye Caffyn-Baptie.

#### U16 Girls Football League Match

Our U16 girls faced Hazelwick in their next league game. We have had some brilliant and exciting games against Hazelwick in the past and the girls were looking forward to trying to get another win. There was some scrappy play throughout the game, but Lucy Plumb's first corner kick found Poppy Nicholls in the box, who managed to head it into the back of the net. No less than two minutes later, Hazelwick responded with a goal of their own. This seemed to wake the girls up and once the focus came back, the shots on goal began to increase. Hazelwick's keeper did well to keep a number of shots out. Towards the later end of the first half, Lucy delivered another excellent corner which Poppy once again found in the middle of the box and finished off perfectly to get Sackville's second goal.

The second half began with a sleepy start from Sackville. Despite some valiant attempts to keep the ball away from goal,



Hazelwick secured their second goal. With the game being so close the team stepped up brilliantly. Some excellent play from Eve Kendall, Eloise Bassett, Keira Drewry and Ella Kosifou kept Hazelwick at bay. A lovely through ball from Lucy set Poppy up for her third goal of the game. The girls held on for the final few minutes to end the match as Sackville 3 – Hazelwick 2. Player of the match went to Poppy Nicholls. A great game girls, well done!

**The team**: Hannah Plumb, Lucy Plumb, Poppy Nicholls, Eloise Bassett, Ella Devine, Emma Smyth, Keira Drewry, Ella Kosifou, Lily Walker, Eve Kendall, Shannon Feeney, Skye Caffyn-Baptie Freya Otha.

#### U12 Netball C Team

The U12 C team faced Michael Hall, which for some of the team, was their first netball match representing the school. The girls were fantastic throughout the game, showing great enthusiasm and teamwork. A lot of the team played out of position too, using the game to develop their knowledge of the different positions and the roles they had to play. The team won 12-5, with many of the goals being scored by Kaye Churcher. Poppy Furbank and Amie Botha both did well in Centre, covering most of the netball court when playing in that role. Player of the match went to Poppy Furbank for her excellent play throughout the game.



**The team**: Gracie Beatty, Poppy Furbank, Amie Botha, Elizabeth Sisley, Eden Kosifou, Kaye Churcher, Emily Brignall-Hobbs, Lucy Brignall-Hobbs, Ella McKenzie, Madison Pearce.

# Parents and Carers Courses January 2019 Highlighted Events



### 17th January - Parents Solution Circle - Bognor Regis

 Solution Circles are a short and powerful tool which builds on community capacity. - It's effective in helping people to get unstuck from a problem in life or work.

### 24th January - Making Sense of Challenging Behaviour - Worthing

 Reasons for behaviour, looking at how positive behaviour can be encouraged and challenging behaviour reduced.

### 29th January - Coping with Transitions - Shoreham - by - Sea

 Explores the needs of children and young people in transition from either Nursery to Primary School or Primary School to Secondary School.

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