

Sackville News

25th June 2018



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Dear Parents

We have almost come to the end of the extremely busy exam period and I must pay tribute to the wonderful attitude of the students throughout. This year has seen new exams sweeping through both GCSE and A level and our year 10 and year 12 students are now commencing preparation exams for their big moment next summer. There is certainly a lot of pressure involved and we do all we can to support; indeed, I am very grateful for the kind messages sent in by many parents in recognition of this.

"Where do I start? Fantastic school and staff!" Year 11 parent summer 2018



There have been many achievements by staff and students over the past month which I am thrilled to share with you. Firstly, I am delighted to report that, following a routine no notice inspection by environmental health this week, our **canteen achieved the top 5 stars for excellence**. Congratulations to **Jayne, Linda, Louise, Tracy and Louise** for providing such a high quality service for us all.



Our **staff** have been receiving other fine awards as well. Parents will be aware from the last edition of Sackville News that **Miss Offler has received a 2018 Teacher of the Year award for Mid-Sussex** and she attended a grand ceremony in **Brighton** to pick this up a few days ago. What no one realised – and least of all Miss Offler – was that she would pick up another award for **"Sussex Sports Teacher of the Year"**! We are over the moon about this well-deserved success.



We are delighted to share that sixth former **Melissa Turner**, one of our two **Liaison Leaders**, has been named the **Mid-Sussex Young Leader of the Year** at a ceremony at Borde Hill this month. This award is recognition of her tireless work volunteering at school, which includes co-leading the **Invisibliteam** with Hollie Barden, highlighting the needs of people with unseen disabilities. She also supports younger students in the school as part of the **mentoring programme**, and runs the **KS3 Drama Club**.

At the ceremony, **musical accompaniment was also provided by Sackville students**. Pictured here are **Sophie Taylor, Ella Dean, Seren Foulds, Tia Bartlett, Michael Hoelters, Craig Thorne** and **Matthew Botten**. Thank you to all of these youngsters who once again show how our students make such excellent ambassadors.



I just want to say a HUGE thank you to all the staff who have gone to so much trouble to help the Year 11s through their GCSEs this year. I have been so impressed and touched by how much support there was for them - from all the day to day teaching, the holiday revision days, the after school sessions, the constant availability whenever they had a wobble of confidence, to the support and care that was there on the exam days themselves. – Year 11 Parent

At this time of year we hold elections for our **Head Team** and I am very pleased to announce its **new members for 2018-19**. The team plays an extremely important part in leading the work of Sackville and we have added more emphasis this year to working with younger students in the school.



Grace de Souza
Head Girl



Juno Phitidis Deputy
Head Girl



Will Roberts-Percy
Head Boy



Lewis Bushell
Deputy Head Boy



Melissa Turner Y7-
11 Liaison Leader



Kit O'Callaghan Y7-
11 Liaison Leader

Two Sackville students have excelled themselves in raising money for charity this summer.



Charlotte Nolan is 'racing for life' in memory of her best friend Megan at Crawley Pretty Muddy on Sunday 24th June and **Ollie Connaughton** rode the London-Brighton for the British Heart Foundation last weekend. **Charlotte**, year 11, will race in memory of Megan Radley who was diagnosed with Neuroblastoma at three years old and fought for two years. **Ollie**, year 10, completed the **London to Brighton Bike Ride** last weekend in aid of the **British Heart Foundation** raising **over £200**. We all feel very proud of both of them.



Whilst on the topic of cycling, we were pleased to welcome to Sackville **Jim Sales** from **British Cycling**



who put our **year 7s and 8s** through their paces in an inspiring series of workshops shortly after the half term break.

Well done to **Amber Titchener** who was a star turn at the Bank Holiday 'Party in the Park' at East Court last month. Described as '**truly amazing**' by one audience member, Amber played a set that included *Up* (Demi Lovato, Olly Murs), *Dead* (Madison Beer) and *Stand by Me* (Ben E King). The highlight was her **self-penned number, Jigsaw**, which is now available on **YouTube**. Amber is definitely one to watch!



On Thursday 7th June, the **Art Department** received a visit from a **professional artist and printmaker**. Based in a printmaking studio in Brighton, **Helen Brown** came up for a whole day workshop involving fifty year 9 GCSE art students. It was a highly productive day, with all students producing a portfolio of dry-point etchings using both black and white and colour.

The art teachers were also trained by Helen in the use and maintenance of a specialist etching press. This was bought for the school last year using a grant from **TASEG** (The Art Society East Grinstead). They also funded Helen's visit. We would like to thank TASEG for their continued generosity in funding the creative curriculum at the school. I am a firm believer in the importance of a balanced curriculum and such events are a rich experience for our students.



As is usual at Sackville in the latter part of the summer term, we are a hive of activity! We have welcomed **year 5 children from local schools to a series of taster days** which have been much enjoyed by all. The students made keyrings, learned about Buddhism, created animations, created monsters in English, enjoyed PE on the field, had hair raising experiences in science, cooked up a storm in food technology and sampled the challenges of secondary maths.





A highlight for us is always hosting the **Area Sports competition** at Sackville when, again, we meet so many primary school students and their families for a wonderful day. The weather was perfect and the atmosphere was a perfect mixture of friendliness, competitiveness and good sportsmanship.



We have been welcoming **year 6**

parents to our transition interviews this week and I am so grateful to staff for the time put into this. Meeting families individually is, I believe, very important in ensuring a smooth passage into the Sackville community.

Added to this, we have the excitement of the **year 11 and 13 proms, Eggsfest** and **Curriculum Enhancement Week** coming up soon and I look forward to sharing news of these, together with many photographs, in our next edition.

Best wishes,

Julian Grant
Headteacher

I just wanted to say that this sports crew were the best we have ever had. They scored the activities impeccably and were very good with the children. The runners during the races were also amazing. I'm very impressed. It made my job so much easier. - Local primary school teacher

My child wants to be a vlogger, is it safe? E-safety advice from Mr Lea

Is your child longing to join the wave of young teens and pre-teens vlogging about their lives and favourite pastimes? If so, it's important to make sure they are aware of what they may encounter and what the benefits and risks are.



What should I consider before I give them the green light?

The long-term impact of exposure on a child

There are a number of key motivators for the young vlogger; some young people will be encouraged by the possibility of a financial reward for engaging in activities that they already enjoy such as gaming, producing music, socialising with friends or sharing their opinion on products or social and political issues.

If successful in generating an income, children and teens, as with all financial decisions, will need direction to make sound decisions relating to investment and purchases. As adults who have watched the rise and fall of child actors will know, fame can be fickle and yet the impact on a young person's education, reputation and financial sense will last a great deal longer.

It can help to build confidence

For many young people, however, YouTube offers an opportunity to achieve a desirable level of notoriety that they feel is only usually achieved by peers whom they perceive to be more popular and successful than themselves. For some children who may have felt socially isolated due to a special interest, personal characteristic or due to a life experience, they may believe that the creation of a YouTube channel allows them the opportunity to gain visibility, credibility or a sense of connectedness with peers.

Complying with community rules

As previously explained, the sheer number of site users means that vloggers are often motivated to produce content that is controversial or shocking to ensure maximum visibility.

YouTube star Logan Paul recently did exactly this when showing the body of someone who had taken their own life during one of his videos. Whilst the outrage and demands for an apology with which Paul was faced will send a clear warning to would-be vloggers, the case exemplifies the drive to create content that is increasingly shocking and attention-grabbing.

Adults need to support to ensure that they comply with policy and laws relating to copyright, fair use, slander, libel and harassment.

Some children will feel a sense of release and acceptance from the publication of a confessional style video, during which they talk about their mental health or an issue that they are facing and they are likely to garner positive feedback from others within the community. However, parents and carers should discuss with their children the implications for their well-being and reputation in the present but also in the future when their views and values may well have moved on. If you require any more information then please email jlea@mysackville.co.uk

News from Design Technology

Mr Treen writes:-

Tesla drive by

On Monday 18th June, design and technology students from year 10 and year 12 had the experience of meeting a representative from **Tesla**, who discussed the mission statement of the company and the technology used to support current and future products.

Students were then given the opportunity to look around Tesla X and see all the cool features and its party tricks.

Thank you to Tesla for coming to Sackville School and for giving our students this opportunity.



Former students continue to impress

On Thursday evening I was invited to see the success of two past students who attend Crawley College for **The Faculty of Construction and Engineering Annual Awards Evening**.

Kieran Barnes (right) received the John Cup for **best craft student** within the carpentry and joinery section and **Toby Smith** received **The Faculty of Construction and Engineering Award** for outstanding achievement on the C&G 2850 diploma in welding and fabrication within the engineering section. These two students have continued to show their dedication since leaving Sackville and rightly so been recognised for it.



News from health and social care



Meanwhile Mrs Valentine over in health and social care also ensures her students still get to interact with the real world. Outside speakers are a regular feature of the courses both in KS4 and the sixth form.

Mrs Pitman of Sunnyside Nursery and our own SENCO **Mrs Hunt** both gave really interesting talks this month on how to both identify and support students with additional needs. Some of the students were inspired enough to now try to follow a career in this field.

Thank you to both speakers!

Meanwhile there are mysterious things 'afoot' over in maths ...

Year 7s students in maths have been trying to deduce what left the two enormous footprints outside Mr Linnington's classroom the other weekend. Using their mathematical skills they are attempting to calculate the size of the interloper and exactly what it might have been doing in the school grounds at the weekend.

Meanwhile, there is a murder to solve for year 8s, and only their mathematical skills will help them. So far it seems clear the culprit wears glasses ... maybe our headteacher Mr Grant?



Former students gain their degrees

It always nice at this time of year to hear how former students have got on at university – please [email me](#) if you have any results to share! This week I have heard that **Charlie Troake-Lindsay** has received his masters' degree in applied mathematics from Cambridge University, and **Sarah Bidgway** got a first class degree in textile design from the University of the Creative Arts.

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.

This month's writing competitions from Ms Pearson

Competition Name	Entry requirements	How to enter/get more information	Prizes	Deadline
<p>Stranger Sagas (a Young Writers competition)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only one entry per student. • Mini sagas can be written or typed. • 100-word limit (not including the title). • You must include your name, surname and age on the entry form. • You can use the 8 story starters for this term, but if you prefer to use the Autumn Term ones, you can. All these are available in the LRC and from the Young Writers website. • Don't forget to put your school name and postcode on the freepost sticker or the reverse of the envelope so we know who has sent the entries. 	<p>Visit the website: https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/competitions/stranger-sagas/</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Prize - £250 • 2nd Prize - £100 • 3rd Prize - £50 • One highly commended writer will win a selection of books! • Plus a bookmark for every entrant! 	Friday 20th July 2018
<p>Saltaire Poetry Competition</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anyone can enter. • Submit a poem of any style relating to the theme The World in Saltaire: Saltaire in the World. • Poems must be no longer than 42 lines long. • Submissions must be your original work, previously unpublished. • You may submit up to three pieces for the contest. • For each entry, include one cover page that lists your name, your age, title of the work, postcode, telephone number, and email address 	<p>Visit the website: https://saltairefestival.co.uk/poetry-competition-call-entries/</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The winning entries will be featured on the website, social media channels, and in the Saltaire Review. • They will also be invited to read their poem at the Saltaire Festival Poetry night on Tuesday 11th September. • The winners and a guest will also be invited to the official Saltaire Festival Programme Launch. 	Monday 25th June 2018
<p>Link Age Southwark Writing Competition</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free to enter for 11-17 year olds. • Link Age Southwark is a charity providing volunteer support to over 600 isolated, older people in Southwark. They have been working in their local community for a quarter of a century. The charity has launched a creative writing competition to celebrate this milestone. • The competition is open to all UK and Ireland residents, both adults and children. • Submit a short story or poem, based on the theme of friendship and/or generations. 	<p>Visit the website: http://linkagesouthwark.org/competition</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The winners in the children's category will receive book vouchers. • The winning entries will be published on their blog. 	Friday 31st August 2018

Sports News

The summer sports season continues apace. Both boys and girls are playing cricket. **Rhys Hunt** is making a name for himself in the **year 7 team**, managing a wicket with his first ball against Warden Park (we still lost unfortunately). Our **U15s** beat Brighton however, by the narrowest of margins in a closely fought game.

The next highlight was the girls' football tournament at Roedean where our U14s won their age group. See the report below.

Our year 7 team were runners up in their group. Well done both teams!

Back on the cricket pitch, our U14s beat the traditionally strong Weald School, scoring 107-1, with Luke Peel and Joe Sheridan sharing the lion's share of the runs. Our U13s went one better, bowling them out for just 29 runs, and winning in double quick time.

In **athletics**, the competitions come thick and fast in the second half of this term. **Our U13s** (pictured right) won the district Super 6s competition the first week back after half term.



The girls also play rounders and stoolball as 'striking' sports in the summer, and stoolball matches make a particularly 'Sussex' spectacle.

Pictured left is our year 8 team, including player of tournament **Molly Sutton**.



Some of the same players are pictured right after a rounders tournament. Both our A and B teams from year 8 travelled to Imberhorne on 19th June. Our As lost, but the Bs won. The traditional rivalry continues!



We have had a couple of tennis fixtures against Lingfield College. Some matches were won, but Lingfield can always put out strong tennis players which makes our job hard!

In athletics we are more than able to hold our own however, as a strong performance at the Reg Clarke Games showed.

This is always a great day for all competitors and a highlight of the sporting year.



Reports by Miss Offler

U12 & U14 Football Tournament

Wednesday 6th June saw Roedean's annual girls' football tournament. This is always a great event, promoting girls football and sportsmanship. Both teams played superbly throughout the tournament and were a credit to the school with their enthusiasm, resilience and etiquette.

U12 results:

- Sackville 1 – Ardingly 1 (Scorer Annie Lyons)
- Sackville 3 – Roedean 0 (Scorers Orla Humphrey x 3, Annie Lyons)
- Sackville 0 – Warden Park B 0
- Sackville 1 – Bedes 1 (Scorer Orla Humphrey)
- Sackville 2 – Warden Park A 0 (Scorers Orla Humphrey, Annie Lyons)

U14 results:

- Sackville 2 – Warden Park A 0 (Scorers Rhianna Major, Lucy Plumb)
- Sackville 4 – Roedean 0 (Scorers Lucy Plumb x 3, Rhianna)
- Sackville 5 – Lingfield 1 (Scorers Rhianna x 2, Millie Knowles x 2, Lucy Plumb)
- Sackville 2 – Warden Park B 0 (Scorer Hannah Plumb x 2)

Both teams worked incredibly hard throughout the tournament with notable performances from Orla for the U12 team and Rhianna for the U14 team. We were very happy to hear that the U12 team came 2nd and the U14 team came 1st overall. Well done girls! An excellent day's work!

The teams:

U12: Orla Humphrey, Annie Lyons, Tori McKnight, Mia Carew, Vicky Majda, Amy Nolan, Dominika Molnar.

U14: Hannah Plumb, Lucy Plumb, Issy Carrick, Millie Knowles, Rhianna Major, Eloise Bassett.



U13 Rounders Tournament

The U13 team have had a mixture of results throughout the season so far and they were looking forward to developing their fielding which they've been working hard on. The first game against Warden Park was an excellent start to this. Whilst they lost by just ½ a rounder, (Sackville 3 – Warden Park 3 ½), their fielding and teamwork was excellent.

Their second game against Imberhorne was again strong with their fielding but our batting unfortunately wasn't as strong as theirs giving Sackville's second loss with the score being Sackville 4 ½ - Imberhorne 6 ½.

Their third game against St Pauls was their strongest game yet with the girls finding their confidence with their batting. Everything clicked nicely into place and their fielding was brilliant resulting in the score being Sackville 5 ½ - St Pauls 3. Despite not getting through to the next round, the girls were keen to play a game against the hosts, Millais, to gain further match practice. This was testament to their enthusiasm and will to improve further. Player of the tournament went to Molly Sutton for her excellent bowling and consistent batting. Well done girls!

The team: Eloise Judge, Maud Kendrick, Emma Smyth, Maddy Rees, Keira Drewry, Molly Sutton, Dilyn Arro, Elana Lloyd-Edwards, Leah Turner.

U13 A&B Rounders

Our U13 rounders teams faced Imberhorne for a friendly match. Both teams found it difficult to settle in the first innings. The A team had 3 batters caught out within the first 3 balls which seemed to unsettle the whole team. Their start followed through into their first innings fielding resulting in the 1st innings scoring as Sackville 3 ½ - Imberhorne 8 ½. The B team again seemed uncertain in their first innings with 4 players getting run out, each of them as they were trying to score ½ a rounder. Their score at the end of innings was Sackville 2 ½ - Imberhorne 5.

The 2nd innings was a lot more positive for both teams. The A team settled into their batting well and they were a lot more confident when fielding. The 2nd innings score was Sackville 5 – Imberhorne 5 ½ making the overall score Sackville 8 ½ - Imberhorne 14. Whilst it was a loss for the A team, their 2nd innings was a far stronger performance to finish with. The B team

also had a much stronger innings with their fielding denying Imberhorne the opportunities to score full rounders, whilst Sackville's batting was the strongest it has been. The 2nd innings score was Sackville 10 – Imberhorne 9 ½ with the overall score as Sackville 12 ½ - Imberhorne 9 ½. Well done to both teams for a much stronger finish. Hopefully we can improve on our first innings next time. A team player of the match: Emma Smyth and Dilyn Arro and the B team player of the match was Ella Kessell for scoring 6 rounders in the 2nd innings!



The teams:

A team: Eloise Judge, Maud Kendrick, Emma Smyth, Maddy Rees, Keira Drewry, Molly Sutton, Dilyn Arro, Hannah Johns.

B Team: Louisa Orme, Ella Kessell, Olivia Hadfield, Mia Leahy, Ella Brown, Ella Kosifou, Skye Caffyn-Baptie, Emelia Gomez-Darder.

Sackville School Exhibition
Private view 5-7.30pm 27th June
A Level & GCSE
Art & Photography

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Exhibition open
Mon 25th
Tues 26th
Weds 27th June

GCSE work shown here
by Rosie Sands,
Kitty Wheeler
& Lily Kendrick

Selected student work will then be on display at
St Swithun's, East Grinstead
30th June-3rd July



Thank you to Michael Hoelters for this poster design!



TAKE THE PLUNGE

You are invited to join East Grinstead Swimming Club. If you enjoy swimming, then EGSC is the place for you: for fun, for friends and for fitness!

NEXT TRIALS AT 4.45PM ON:

- Sunday 17th June
- Sunday 22nd July
- Sunday 16th September

Email membership.secretary@egsc.co.uk to register your swimmer in advance

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This is a great opportunity for anyone wanting a part-time job (term-time only), one evening a week and to work with young people ages 11 to 16.

The Youth Club takes place at John Pears Pavilion on Wednesday evenings and provides a safe space for young people to hang out, as well as participate in a variety of activities.

The successful applicant will need to be sensitive to the different needs of the young people, able to manage groups and plan a selection of activities for the term.

Salary is in line with the Youth Worker Pay scales (holiday pay included).

The successful applicant will be subject to DBS check.

Further information contact the Clerk 823770 or email clerk@ashurstwood-vc.gov.uk