

Sackville News

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Dear Parents

We are already swiftly approaching October and much has happened here to ensure that a good start to the year has been made.



Our year 7 students have settled in extremely well and it was great to see so many of their parents come along to the first 'interform' sports competitions of the year after school last Wednesday. It was gloriously sunny!



The following day was our **Open Evening** which seemed to have the **highest attendance** that we have ever enjoyed. We are always so enthusiastic to share what we have to offer with the local community and the response was magnificent. Our student guides, as ever, did both themselves and the school proud. We received a lot of very positive feedback and this was followed up by very busy **open mornings** all of this week. We are delighted to see **so many people** giving up their time to find out more about us and what we stand for.



I regret to share the news that **Michael Leppard**, long-time Sackville teacher and mainstay of our Religious Studies department, sadly passed away at the start of this month. Michael joined the school in the mid-seventies as a 'master of divinity' and taught an entire generation of students from his base in A11. He retired from Sackville in 1996 and went on to enjoy a long and very active third age. A prodigious walker, he used two feet to travel everywhere, and could still be seen on foot around town this summer. Often his walks would bring him into school with some lesson materials for ex-colleagues, or to give an assembly to the sixth-form. A large part of his retirement was spent promoting the cause of the **town museum** (in which he is pictured here). Securing the new premises and the loan of a number of artefacts telling the story of the 'guinea-pigs' was greatly assisted by his learned persistence.



He will be missed by the entire East Grinstead community.

Thank-you to all of the families who have generously donated **clothing and equipment** to our appeal on behalf of [Movement on the Ground](#). All of the donations are supporting the **winterisation programme on the Greek islands of Lesbos and Samos** where refugees have continued to arrive with very little attention from the media. In September alone more than 1000 people have arrived in little inflatable boats. The camps are already full and the Greeks cannot cope with this crisis alone.

We have **until the end of September** to collect as much as we can, so if you have any of the items below you can spare, please do send them into school:-

Blankets / Sleeping bags, tents, camping mats / yoga mats / gym mats (no-inflatables), winter footwear for all (boots, wellies), winter coats, jumpers / fleeces, new underwear for children & adults, winter socks for children & adults, thermal underwear for children & adults, scarves / hats / gloves for children & adults, towels, nappies, sanitary towels (no tampons), soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste.



Congratulations to **Luke Waddell** in year 12, who has been confirmed as an **Arkwright Scholar** for the next two years. The Arkwright scholarships are awarded to students who show particular promise in the **STEM subjects** (science, engineering, technology and maths) and give them the opportunity to work with professionals in the engineering industry. These are prestigious awards and competition to receive one is fierce. For Luke this comes on top of excellent GCSE results, and recent attendance at a **national 'Maths Challenge' summer school** for exceptional maths students.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our **year 11 parents' evening** (Thursday 17th October) and our annual **Gym and Dance evening** (Tuesday 22nd October) which is always one of our calendar highlights.

Best wishes,

Julian Grant
Headteacher

Year 9 Buddies

Mrs Smith writes:-

65 of our Year 9s have been giving up their free time to be buddies to the new year 7's.

They helped look after them on the three transition days and they were ready on the first morning at Sackville with a welcome smile

The buddies have collected students from lessons and guided them to where they had to be, making sure that the move into Sackville has been as smooth as possible.



All of them have done an amazing job with very few year 7's not knowing where they should be going after only two weeks. This year we also had five buddies looking after individual students who needed a little extra help and this has worked so well that we will continue next year.

All the buddies met under the new canopy so that they could be thanked by Mr Grant, Mrs Tingley, Mrs Brown and Mr Endersby and celebrate with a cookie and drink.

Well done for a superb job. Thank you.

Sports news

The new season might only just have begun, but at Sackville the fixtures come thick and fast.

11th September: **First XI football** lost 0-1 to Bennett memorial in a close game. Player of the Match **Jamie Waghorn** (just as well since he missed a very important economics lesson to play!)



11th September: **U16 boys' football** beat the auld frenemy Imberhorne 3-0 on penalties. Player of the Match **Dan LeRoy**



12th September: **U16 netball** won local versatility tournament.



12th September: **U16 girls' cricket** runners-up in the county cup to Downlands. Some of our players have only picked up a cricket bat six months ago so the progress has been fantastic.

12th September: **U15 girls' hockey** lost 1-2 to Lingfield College. Debuts for **Tia Holland, Lottie De Turrus** and **Miah Blackburn**. Player of the Match to **Dilyn Arro** for her great defending. Players' player to **Tilly Vickery**.

12th September: **U14 boys' rugby** beat Beacon 26-5

17th September: **U16 boys' rugby** lost 0-35 to a strong Heathfield side, showing great heart in the process.

17th September: **U13B boys' football** lost 4-7 to Warden Park, despite being up at half-time. Having only 10 players in the end!

17th September: **U13A boys' football** lost 3-5 to Warden Park. **Ryan Hill** scored 2 and **Finlay Carrick** 1. **Jay Richardson** had a particularly good game.

September 18th: **U14 boys' rugby** lost to Oathall 5-45. **Logan Joao** scoring the only try. Player of the Match **George Sutton**.



18th September: **U14 netball** came third at versatility tournament. The whole team were awarded players of the tournament for their relentless work playing three games a player down.



19th September: **U15 netball** won the Mid-Sussex versatility tournament, winning all six games.

23rd September: **U14A boys' football** lost 0-2 to Lingfield. Player of the Match **Theo Dawson**.

23rd September: **U14B boys' football** beat Lingfield 7-5. Scorers **Oscar Bushell, Archie Gilbert, Charlie Folland, Theo Price**, and **Matthew Lehman**. Player of the Match **Theo Stenning**



24th September: **Second XI football** beat Lingfield 5-2. Goals from **Jake Worth, Harvey Snashfold, Bob Coxon** and **Stefan Saunders**. Player of the Match **Jake O'Hara**

24th September: **First XI football** lost 1-3 to Lingfield. Scorer **Harvey Byatt**. Player of the Match **Ben Aubrey**

25th September: **U14 boys' rugby** beat Imberhorne in the **Chris Cooney Cup** 29-14. Tries from **Matthew Crenel (2), Samuel Lane (2), and Theo Price**. Player of the Match **Matthew Crenel** for his tireless running and try scoring.



25th September: **U16 boys' rugby** narrowly lost the **Newman Cup** to Imberhorne 12-14. An incredible performance from the team who were just pipped at the post despite tries from **Elliott Vincent** and **Hudson Beynon**. Thank you to Imberhorne for two brilliant games.



25th September: **U13 boys' rugby** team enjoyed a great day training with Harlequins coaches at Hurstpierpoint School.

Match Report: U14 netball versatility tournament

Miss Offler writes:-

The U14s had a fantastic start to this year's season at the first versatility tournament. The team won their first two games (4-0 win vs Oathall and 5-2 win vs Millais), showing some fantastic movement around the court. Unfortunately due to an injury, the team went down to just six players in the second game. A player down didn't seem to faze them and they got through to the play offs for 1st/2nd/3rd.

The girls worked exceptionally hard throughout the next two games. They lost the first of these to Warden Park 5-12. Warden Park had a well-drilled side and being a player down allowed them the space to make the most of their attacking plays. Despite this, Sackville kept fighting back until the final whistle. Their second game against Imberhorne was even closer, losing just 4-5, resulting in Sackville coming 3rd overall (out of 9). Player of the tournament went to the whole team for their excellent teamwork and efforts throughout. We look forward to seeing how the team develop over this season.

The team: Mia Carew, Gracie Stratford, Emily Moore, Emily Darch, Katrina Mutimba, Lauren Burchett, Beth Currie.



Owen stars for Edenbridge RFC – at Twickenham!

As we get deeper into the Rugby World Cup, it's good to see a Sackville student getting to play on the hallowed turf of Twickenham.

Year 7 student **Owen Guppy** and his rugby team, the Edenbridge RFC U12's recently won a competition to attend **Twickenham Rugby Stadium**.

They had a fantastic day including a **tour of the changing rooms, watching the England v Tonga World Cup game** and then **actually playing a game on the pitch** against Maidstone U12's.

The team had a fantastic game winning 5-3 with Owen scoring two of the tries. Already enough for a lifetime memory, the team also got to meet ex-England star Will Greenwood.

Well done Owen!



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.

Rotary



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Play 4 Today 2019

A play writing competition for all ages,
14-18 and 19+

Write a play of your own choosing and
the winners will have their play
recorded and broadcast on the
Rotary on the Radio show on
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Staying safe online

**In partnership with Get Safe Online,
WSCC are running FREE awareness
events**

for local residents to learn more about
online safety and fraud.

9 October

Worthing Town Hall
East Grinstead Sackville
School

27 November

Horsham Library
Crawley Library

23 January

Bognor Library
Edes House Chichester

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