

Families' Bulletin

Week commencing Monday 14 February 2022

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

We have come to the end of another very busy and productive week. Each day I get to meet more and more students and am blown away by their confidence, skills, and abilities. Just today I spent time with Year 12 art students who articulated their work so brilliantly to me. On bus duty yesterday, I spoke to students who shared with me their love of all things geography and what they had been learning this term. Next week will see the first of my weekly #HotChocFriday meetings with a group of students who will be selected to meet with me to celebrate something worthy of recognition. I cannot wait to see the nominations and getting to hear more about their achievements.

The biggest news of the week is seeing the final crescendo towards next week's show, 'We Will Rock You'. If you are lucky, you might just catch hold of a final few tickets for sale. From the backstage team and set design to the lighting and sound crew, musicians and on-stage performers, there is a wonderful buzz of excitement for next week and I for one cannot wait to see it all come together.

I am sure you will all join me in thanking staff for all of their hard work so far (most will be in school this weekend setting up and doing final rehearsals) and wishing all of the students the very best of luck for next week.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Jo Meloni

School Notices

We Will Rock You

Tickets are still available for the Wednesday and Thursday shows of *We Will Rock You*, and for the Friday Live Stream. All tickets are available from *ticketsource*.



Spray deodorants

Just a reminder that **spray deodorants are not permitted in school**. Several members of the community have suffered an adverse reaction to spray. In some circumstances, they can cause the fire alarm to sound with the loss to learning that is involved.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Exam certificates

Exam certificates from the summer 2021 exam series are available for collection from our exams office.

February 2022 Half Term Activities Available for Children Receiving Pupil Premium

West Sussex County Council is funding activities during the half term break for children who receive the pupil premium to support them as they catch up on their learning. Providers will be offering a wide range of activities aligned to the core subjects as appropriate for each age group. It is hoped that this offer will broaden children's experiences by enriching their learning and sustaining it throughout the half term. The full list of available activities with hyperlinks is here. Some are a long way distant of course, but others are in the Mid Sussex area.

Year Notices

Year 11

A message from Mr Millican.

With a week before half term, I thought I would give you an update on all things Year 11.

☐ A massive well done to all those students who have attended extra English and maths

- intervention before school over the last 5 weeks.
 The turnout at after school revision sessions has been excellent. A huge thank you to all staff for giving up their time to run these.
 Students have received their exam timetables for "Mocks 2". They will receive an assembly on Wednesday next week with all the details; I will make sure you get all the information via email.
- As we try and maximise every second with Year 11, I am again collapsing form time next Tuesday and Thursday. Students have been emailed a google form, on opening this they can sign up to one session per day. Again, due to the numbers of staff offering to run sessions these will essentially be short focused revision classes with low numbers. It is really important that students do not switch their options.

You will have picked up from the media about the changes and support the exam boards are offering this cohort. Staff are making sure students know exactly which topics are in and out and this will really focus our revision in the weeks after the mock exams.

I hope they make the most of the half term break to rest and also revise. Topics that they

manage to cover now are bricks in the wall for the formal exams in the summer.

As usual, should you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact your child's tutor or the year office.

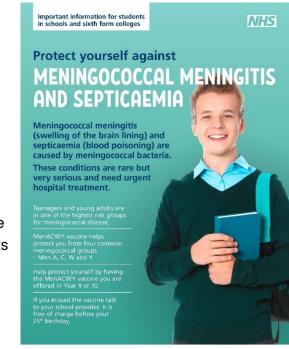
Year 9

Teenage Booster Vaccination Programme, Thursday 28th April

The NHS will be in on 28th April to administer the Teenage Booster to year 9 students. The teenage booster, consists of the **3-in-1** or the Td/IPV vaccine, which is given to boost protection against three separate diseases:

Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio, and the MenACWY vaccine which protects against Meningitis strains A C W and Y.

Parent consent letters will follow shortly.



For more information, speak to your your GP surgery, or visit www.nhs.uk/vaccinations, www.meningitis.org or www.meningitisnow.org

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Careers Notices

New this week to our **careers microsite** is a page listing upcoming **open days at our local colleges**. Some of these are coming up soon so it is <u>worth looking</u>.

Our <u>careers opportunities</u> page is also being regularly updated. Some of these are also coming up in the very near future.

Subject Notices

English – World Book Day Thursday 3rd March

It is World Book Day on <u>Thursday 3rd March 2022</u> and we are running a competition for students to reimagine a book cover of one of their favourite books. Check out the instructions below:

- 1. Recreate the cover of a favourite book stuck for inspiration? Check out the teacher examples below.
- 2. Take a photo of your new book cover. The more imaginative, the better!
- 3. E-mail your photo to Ms Wernham (lwernham@sackvilleschool.org.uk) who will then forward them on to the English Department for judging.
- 4. Please make sure you provide your full name and the name of your class and English teacher on your entry.

5. Your picture must include the title and author of the book you are reimagining and, if possible, the original book cover you used as inspiration.

We will then choose ONE winner per year group and the winners will receive a prize! Deadline for entries is FRIDAY 4th March. We will then announce the winners the week after.

We have some other great events and competitions planned for World Book Day but we hope lots of students enjoy getting involved in this competition. We can't wait to see some of your entries! Good luck everyone:)

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Still struggling for ideas?

Try one of these:

- 1. Hamlet
- 2. The Witches
- 3. Matilda
- 4. The Tiger who came to Tea
- 5. Macbeth
- 6. A Christmas Carol
- 7. Oliver Twist
- 8. Once
- 9. Pride & Prejudice
- 10. The Handmaid's Tale
- 11. Harry Potter
- 12. Clockwork Orange
- 13. Girl with a Pearl Earring
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- 15. The Great Gatsby
- 16. An Inspector Calls
- 17. Blood Brothers
- 18. Lord of the Flies
- 19. The Little Prince
- 20. Where's Wally?

Key Dates

Wednesday February 16 Thursday February 17 Friday February 18 Monday February 21 – Friday February 25 School show: We will Rock You School show: We will Rock You School show: We will Rock You

Half term

Wellbeing Weekly

West Sussex County Council have teamed up with the national charity **Mind** and are putting on an e-learning event, *Understanding Young People's Mental Health for parents and carers*. In the session West Sussex Mind explore the common issues that young people face, and difficulties around talking about mental health and



emotional wellbeing. This workshop is designed to support those with children aged between 11 and 18. The training is on Thursday 17th February 10:00 – 13:00. If you are interested, please click <u>here</u>. There have further courses available <u>here</u>.

