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Dear Families

A Letter of Introduction & Purchase of Revision Guides

My name is Ashley Vallally-Godfrey and I am the new Curriculum Team Leader for Computer Science, iMedia and IT. I am excited to work with your child in our amazing subject in this, their final year at Sackville School.

Last week I launched a new online learning environment to support independent learning and study as well as to underpin their knowledge on concepts delivered since year 9. All students have been notified of this new website and signs placed around the department display a QR code they can scan. I would urge all students to look at the website regularly, to read around the subjects through the extra-curricular tab and to attempt revision using the wealth of resources and techniques available to them.

I have been surprised to learn that so many students don't yet have a revision guide. These guides are keys to success and I fundamentally believe that the more tools students have at their disposal the more successful they will be. That is why I promise them, and you, that the website will be transparent and contain all the resources I have to help them make maximum progress in iMedia or Computer Science. To ease your purchase of the revision guides and to read my recommendations, you can access links to them here Revision Guides (sackville-cs.com).

Please remember that if your child is eligible for the Pupil Premium government grant we will use that to pay for the full cost of all texts. Details of how to order your revision guides will follow in a separate email.

As we look towards the future, it fills me with great optimism that most students will opt to choose either IT or Computer Science at A level here at Sackville. As a centre for excellence within Computer Science, we are proud to work closely with the British Computer Society in equipping learners with tools they need to succeed.

The departmental website can be found at www.sackville-cs.com and I would like to draw attention to the following key pages:

- Extra Curricular (sackville-cs.com)
- Revision and Exams (sackville-cs.com) this page helps students prepare for revision and
 understand the upcoming exam content (Year 11 Mock Revision Checklist for Computer Science
 can be found here. There is no mock in November for iMedia).
- CNAT iMedia (sackville-cs.com) past papers, videos, guides and resources
- <u>Computer Science (sackville-cs.com)</u> past papers, work books, videos, revision material, code support and more

















I hope to build a connection with parents and carers as we move through this academic year and so welcome any questions you may have.

Yours sincerely

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