



24 June 2025

Dear Families

Year 12 Biology Trip to Wakehurst Place – Wednesday 02 July 2025

The biology department at Sackville School are organising a trip for year 12 students to Wakehurst Place on Wednesday 02 July 2025.

The visit is intended to enhance and support the biology A-level curriculum by putting into practice various genetic concepts that they will be learning in year 13. Moreover, students will have a chance to gain vital fieldwork experience by collecting and analysing DNA. This is a core component of the practical side of the course which students will need to be able to demonstrate in order to pass (PAG 6: DNA electrophoresis).

Students will be travelling in the school minibus, leaving Sackville at 9.30am and will return to school by 3.30pm, subject to traffic conditions. **Nut related products are not allowed to be taken on any school visit.**

You are invited to make a voluntary contribution of £32, which will cover the cost of fuel and the tutors guiding students on the day. I must, however, tell you that as the school could not bear the cost of this trip, it will not take place unless parents, who are able to, are willing to contribute.

Please use the My Child at School (MCAS) app to pay for the trip and complete the consent form [HERE](#) by Tuesday 01 July 2025.

If your child is eligible for financial support from the 16-19 bursary, please contact Mrs Plumb in the sixth form office. Further information about the bursary can be found [HERE](#).

Insurance for all school trips is arranged through West Sussex County Council. Full details of the policy can be found on our [website](#).

We reserve the right to withdraw the place if the behaviour of any student gives cause for concern.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Tate
Leader of Biology