



Families Bulletin

Monday 2 March 2026 - Friday 6 March 2026

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Families

Our theme for this week was equity, and I challenged students and staff on Monday to look for opportunities to discuss this value to help develop students' understanding of what it means. Particularly its relationship with equality, diversity and belonging.

Equity is probably the most difficult of our school values for students to easily model in a way that we can see and celebrate. But just because it is hard, does not mean we do not try! I am really pleased to share that there have been 152 reported logs where students have modelled their understanding of equity this week, or demonstrated an equitable act. That is almost double the amount awarded in an average week so far this year, and a great platform on which we can build to help develop our students as positive role models and global citizens.

There have been more celebrations this week as each community has had celebration assemblies. The point in the term where we find opportunities to celebrate and reward great progress and achievements. There is always a lovely buzz after these assemblies and it is great to see hard work celebrated.

We have always been very proud of being able to offer a wide variety of trips and visits to help complement the taught curriculum, and it will not have gone unnoticed that this has really picked up again in the last couple of years. Having just welcomed back a group of students from the ski trip over half term, on Wednesday our Business Studies students returned from an amazing trip to San Francisco. Next week, we have a group of Year 12 History A Level students going on a visit to London to develop their understanding of American Civil Rights history, and a second trip for Year 7 to visit the Tower of London to help develop their understanding of Tudor Britain and royal London. I am looking forward to hearing all about it on their return.

Next week also marks the second week of Year 11 mock exams. They have done brilliantly this week and we wish them all the very best for one more week of focus on exams before moving into the final straight.

And finally, on Thursday evening the Sixth Formers will no doubt be putting us to shame in the annual staff/student Sixth Form Quiz. It is all for a good cause and raises lots of money for charity...but it would be good to close the gap on them a bit this year!

Have a good weekend.

Jo Meloni
Headteacher

Hot Chocolate With The Head



On Thursday morning, I had the pleasure of meeting with a fabulous group of Attenborough students alongside Kiril in Year 12. Teamwork, Curiosity, Positivity and Resilience were all key values that we celebrated...along with a little football talk with teams battling at the bottom of the Premiership table! As always, it was a real delight to get to know them, learn a little about their hobbies and how school is going for them.

Well done to each of them for their nomination this week. Hugo and Murray (Y7), Sylvia and Thomas (Y8), Annaie (Y10) and Kiril (Y12)

Ms Jo Meloni
Headteacher

Key Dates

Monday 02 March 2026
Thursday 05 March 2026
Tuesday 10 March 2026
Wednesday 11 March 2026

Thursday 12 March - Saturday 14 March 2026
Monday 16 March 2026
Wednesday 18 March 2026
Thursday 19 March 2026

Friday 20 March 2026
Tuesday 24 March 2026
Wednesday 25 March 2026
Wednesday 25 March - Saturday 28 March 2026
Friday 27 March 2026
Monday 30 March - Friday 10 May 2026
Tuesday 21 April 2026

Wednesday 06 May 2026
Monday 13 July 2026

Year 12 History Trip to London
World Book Day
Year 12 and 13 Spanish Trip to BFL, London
A Level Art and Photography Trip
Families Focus Group 6.00pm - 7.00pm
Year 12 Biology Trip to Bodyworlds, Berlin
Year 7 History Trip to the Tower of London
Uniform Pop Up Shop 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Parent Carer Forum Coffee Morning 9.30am - 11.00am
Year 11 Consultation Evening
Debate Club - Public Speaking Competition
Online Parent Carer Forum 7.30pm - 8.30pm
Primary Dance Festival 2.00pm - 6.00pm
Year 12 Geography Field Trip
Early Closure 12.00pm
HALF TERM
Year 7 Workshop - Lindsay Galvin (**Rearranged from January**)
Year 7 Workshop - Dead Poets Live
Year 8 HPV Vaccinations

Notice board

NOTICE - Mrs Slater Food Tech Students

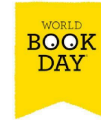
Students who have Mrs Slater for food tech will not have any cooking the week beginning Monday 9 March 2026, due to practical exams.

World Book Day

This week we will be celebrating World Book Day at Sackville, marking the occasion with Community Competitions, Reading Activities, our Bookmark Design Challenge, Quizzes, and many other activities and events.

Rather than a single Recommended Read for this week, we are delighted to share a World Book Day Reading List, containing some of the most popular books among our Key Stage 3 students.

Please also note, Key Stage 3 students will collect £1 book tokens in their library lessons, these are redeemable at most supermarkets and bookshops in exchange for an effectively free book from a specially curated selection.



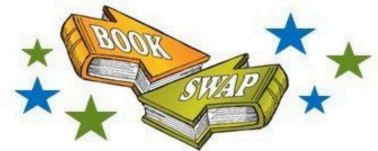
BOOK SWAP WEEK!!

2ND - 6TH March

Join our World Book Day celebrations with our book swap event. Simply bring along a pre-loved book to the library and swap it for another pre-loved book!

You can swap a book at break or lunchtime from Monday 2nd to Friday 6th March.

Please only bring in good quality books that are suitable for Sackville students.



Safeguarding

Safeguarding Leads:

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Talk to one of your Safeguarding team or email, safeguarding@mysackville.co.uk



 Mr Millican Designated Safeguarding Lead Assistant Headteacher	 Mrs Steer Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead Child Protection Officer	 Mr Street Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead Deputy Headteacher	 Mr Vallally-Godfrey Online Safeguarding Lead Associate Assistant Headteacher
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 Mr Cowlin Deputy Headteacher	 Mr Quigley Assistant Headteacher	 Ms Meloni Headteacher
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We are here
if...

...you feel down or sad

...something is bothering
you

...you are concerned
about a friend

Email us confidentially
by scanning the QR code
below:



If you need to talk to someone about an issue that is worrying you, you can speak
to your form tutor, Community Team, or a member of your Safeguarding Team

KEEPING OUR STUDENTS SAFE IS EVERYBODY'S RESPONSIBILITY

Together We Achieve

Please find the live link to our Together We Achieve Programme here - [Together We Achieve 2025-26](#)

Extra-Curricular Opportunities

The link for next half terms extra-curricular sessions can be found here:

[Extra-Curricular Opportunities Spring Term](#)

The 'live' document shows our sessions, and new clubs may appear throughout the term. These will be communicated through this document and the Families Bulletin. Once in the document please scroll across to the year group relevant to your child.

Mr Ashley Vallally-Godfrey
Associate Assistant Headteacher

Sackville News

We also publish a half termly newsletter and the latest edition can be seen here: [Sackville Newsletter](#).

Next publication date: **Friday 28 March 2026**

Current Vacancies

We have two support staff roles available at the moment. If you would be interested in any of the following or know anyone else who may be, please call Katie Dawson, Headteacher's PA for more information, or apply directly following these links:

- [Community Pastoral Assistant](#)
- [Exam Invigilators](#)

Sackville School

Pastoral Assistant

Grade 4 - pro-rata £21,548 - £21,890
Full Time - 37 hours a week, term time only

Required April 2026
Closing date: 16 March 2026
Interview: 19 March 2026

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For further information and to download an application form see working at Sackville School
www.sackvilleschool.org.uk



Futures - Find It Out Thursday

Find it out Thursdays

This is a chance for students to explore different professions and learn from those that are in that industry and can give a first hand experience. Different industries are highlighted each week and students have the opportunity to attend one talk per half term. When these terms talks have been confirmed, students will be able to sign up

using a Google form that will be sent out. Students can come along and start to investigate career paths open to you and discover the skills that you will be required to develop to join that industry.

Next term we have talks on Finance, Marketing and Consultancy and Venture Capital. Please use the google form to book on this [link](#).

We are always looking for people to come in and speak to students about their jobs and professions. Would you be willing to share your experience and join part of our Find it out Thursday program? Please contact Helen Smith on hsmith@sackvilleschool.org.uk.



Medication, Illness and Vaccines

NHS Guidelines

Please find some useful information [here](#) from the NHS on when to keep your child off school.

Medication

To ensure that we continue to support students when they are unwell, we need to make sure our records are up-to-date. As a school we will continue to administer ad-hoc medication as per the consent slip you have completed. If you wish for this to change, please contact the relevant year team. Should your child be diagnosed with any new medical condition please contact us. In addition, should your child's medical condition change (i.e., they no longer need to use their inhaler) please contact their community team.

We will continue to provide the support and medical assistance you have already agreed to unless we hear from you.

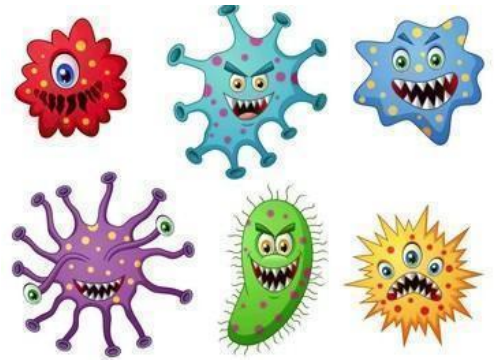
Illness

In order to keep the more vulnerable members of our school community safe, a reminder to inform the school if your child contracts any of the following: Chickenpox, Shingles, Measles or Mumps. Please call the relevant community office, thank you in advance.

Lost Property

Please can we ask that you check the lost property list above for items missing and encourage students to look in lost property for their missing items. Can we remind parents to name everything for a much higher chance of relocating lost property to their rightful owner.

Please find the up to date lost property list [here](#).



External Clubs, Sports, Services and Events



Meridian
Rotary 
Rotary Colour Run

Raising Funds for
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Sunday 19th April 2026
East Grinstead Sports Club, St Hill Road, RH19 4JU
Starts 10:00am

Adults £18 Children 5-15 £12, Family of four £50.00
Ticket includes white T shirt and novelty sunglasses

www.ticketsource.co.uk/meridian-rotary-colour-run
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East Grinstead Sports Club is proud to be the location of the Colour Run
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Sunday 21 June 2026

Lingfield Circus
is coming to town!

Doors open: 12:30pm
Show starts: 1:30pm
Racecourse Road, Lingfield, RH7 6PQ
Ticket price: £15
Family price: £55

Join us for a spectacular family fun day.
Happy Circus brings its unique, accessible non-animal show to Lingfield!
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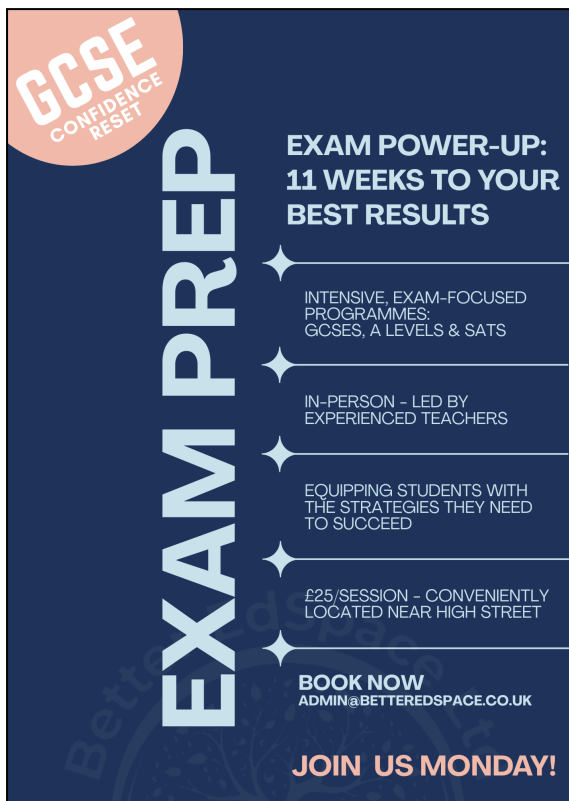
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