



Sackville School
TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE



Families Bulletin

Monday 23 March 2026 - Friday 27 March 2026

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Families

It was lovely to see so many of our Year 11 families last night for their final consultation evening before their summer exams. Year 11 and 13 have already been working so hard with coursework that is now coming to an end and practical exams underway, we wish them all the very best as they move into this final preparation period (also not forgetting Year 10 with their B&V exam).

It has been another busy week, with Year 8 Safer You workshops; some Year 10s taking part in an inter-school maths competition; Year 9 on DofE training ahead of their expedition this weekend; a group of budding orators are as I write, taking part in this year's Federation Oracy Debate and Year 10 are all having a 1:1 job interviews with local employers.

I always stress how important the curriculum that goes beyond exams is, and to see our students grow in confidence and develop the skills they need to really thrive in life is wonderful to see.

Some of the Year 10 students would never have dreamt they would be able to sit with an adult they have never met and talk about their ambitions and skills so confidently just a few months ago. I would like to say a big thank you to the team of volunteers who make this happen for us every year, and to our Future's leader Helen Smith, who somehow manages to pull it all together.

Finally, you will all have hopefully seen my communication earlier this week from the UK Health Security Agency. If you missed it you can find it again [here](#).

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Jo Meloni
Headteacher

Hot Chocolate With The Head



It was another pleasant morning, this time spent with members of the Angelou Community. Jude and Lily-Mae (Year 7); Matilda and Georgie (Year 8); Ryan (Year 11) and Clara (Year 13) all joined me to celebrate their achievements and share their experiences of school.

One feature of our discussion was led by Matilda's love of reading and a conversation about super powers or special gifts stemming from one of the many books she is reading, 'The Naturals' by Jennifer Lynn Barnes.

Having asked each of them what special power they would choose, my favourite was Lily-Mae who wanted to be able to teleport into multiple lessons at the same time so she could learn even more. There was some reference to Herminone from the Harry Potter books that went over my head.. but her attitude to learning was certainly commendable!

Well done to all of them for their hard work, positive attitude and approach to school.

Ms Jo Meloni
Headteacher

Key Dates

Tuesday 24 March 2026
Wednesday 25 March 2026
Wednesday 25 March - Saturday 28 March 2026

Friday 27 March 2026

Monday 30 March - Friday 10 April 2026

Tuesday 21 April 2026

Wednesday 06 May 2026

Monday 13 July 2026

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

**** Early Closure ****

Just as a reminder, we will be finishing at the earlier time of 12.00pm next Friday 27 March 2026.

Summer 2026 Master Timetable

The Sackville summer master exam timetable can be found in the [Sackville Intranet](#), Student Support - Exams

Persian Speaker

The language department is in need of a Persian speaker to help conduct the speaking exam for one of our exams for one of our KS4 students. Could you please contact Chloe Potts at cpotts@mysackville.co.uk if you or a friend/family member may be able to help.

Community Fundraising



Carousel Learning

We now have a student homepage for [Carousel Learning](#) (for those subjects who use it for homework)
They can set this up using the instructions in the [video](#).

Safeguarding

Mental Health and School Routine

Routine and structure are essential for good mental health. A consistent school schedule gives young people purpose, stability, and predictability and is especially important during the teenage years.

We will always contact you if we are concerned about a child's attendance. If you are worried, please do not hesitate to contact your child's tutor, the Community team or Miss Harper in the attendance office.

Safeguarding Leads:

Mr Millican - amillican@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mr Street - pstreet@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mrs Steer - asteer@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mr Vallally-Godfrey - avallallygodfrey@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Safeguarding Team:

Mr Endersby - jendersby@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mrs Hunt - shunt@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Ms Porter - mporter@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mr Cowlin - pcowlin@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mr Quigley - pquigley@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mrs Harper - aharper@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mr Groves - hgroves@sackvilleschool.org.uk

Mrs Valentine - hvalentine@sackvilleschool.org.uk

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

Safeguarding at Sackville
PRIORITISING SAFETY & WELLBEING

 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...

 Mrs Harper Attendance Officer	 Mr Endersby CTL PE	 Mrs Hunt Assistant Headteacher
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...you feel down or sad
...something is bothering you
...you are concerned about a friend

 Ms Porter Head of Sixth Form	 Mr Groves Deputy Head Sixth Form	 Mrs Valentine CTL Health and Social
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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](#)

Book of the Week

We have three books this week, all of which come directly from our Reading assemblies.

Gone by Michael Grant

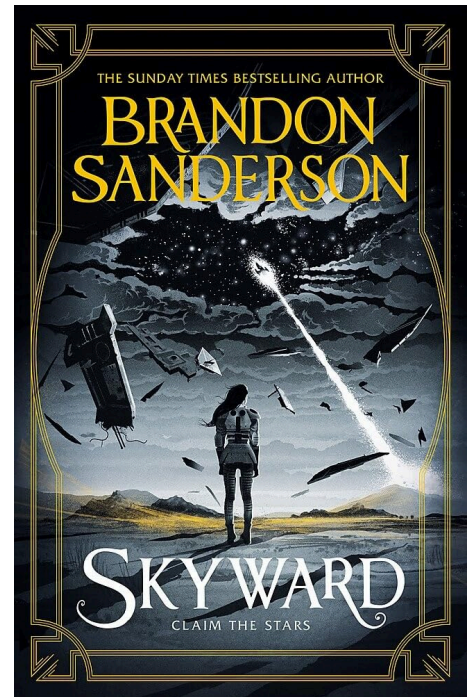
A dystopian novel in which everyone over the age of 15 suddenly disappears and some of the survivors have developed strange powers...

Butterfly Lion by Michael Morpurgo

A story about the lifelong bond between a boy and a lion cub...

Skyward by Brandon Sanderson

A sci-fi novel about a girl who dreams of becoming a pilot in a dangerous world at war with an alien race...



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:

- [Exam Invigilators](#)

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.

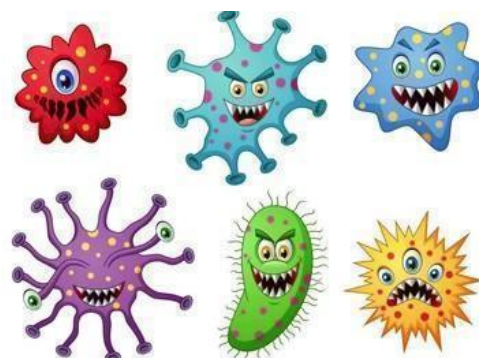
Medication, Illness and Vaccines

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.

External Clubs, Sports, Services and Events

Meridian Rotary



Meridian Rotary 

Rotary Colour Run

Raising Funds for

Cut out Cancer

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

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Lingfield Circus



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!
Expect laughter, acrobatics and unforgettable entertainment for all ages.

Come along, enjoy the show & support St Piers and Dormansland Primary School

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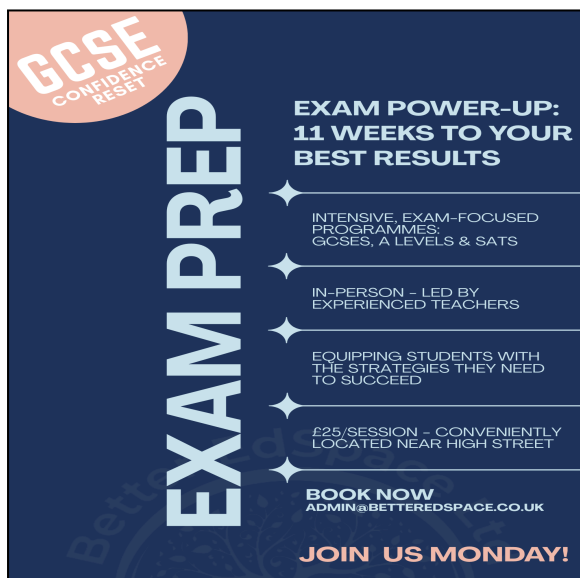


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<https://bit.ly/JunoOurStory>

Carousel Homework

Five ways to support your child with their Carousel homework

Carousel is an online quizzing platform that we use for homework. Students have access to question and answer flashcards which they use independently to learn important knowledge and then complete a quiz to test their knowledge.

Flashcard revise → Take quiz → Student mark → Teacher mark

As time goes on, students will learn more and more in school. In order to make sure they don't forget all this information, Carousel uses evidence-based strategies to help strengthen their memories over the long term.

- The best way to use Carousel is over time, not just all in one evening. Instead of doing all the work the night before it is due, make sure students do one short round of flashcards on one day, another round of flashcards on another day and the quiz on a third day. As much as possible, they should spread it out. For example:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Teacher sets homework	5-10 mins flashcards	10-15 mins flashcards	Quiz + mark	5-10 mins flashcards	Retake quiz	Homework due

- When they are doing the flashcards, make sure they are speaking out or writing down their answers, rather than just thinking about it in their heads.

- Ask them some questions from the flashcards and make sure that their answers are the same (or very similar to) the flashcard answers.

- Mark their quiz with them and make sure they are being honest about what they got right and wrong.

- Make sure that if they get less than 80% on the quiz, they go back to the flashcards first, and then retake the quiz.

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