



Sackville School
TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE



Families Bulletin

Monday 27 April 2026 - Friday 01 May 2026

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Families

It has been a really pleasant week with the sun shining down on us and our students have been working hard both inside the classroom and out.

Last week our young sailors hit the water at WeirWood reservoir at the start of their 12-week sailing journey. (thank you to Mr Longstaff and Mrs Tingley for giving up their time on a Friday afternoon to make this possible); our Year 12 Economists had a fantastic trip to London to talk all things...economic and our year 11 students have now completed their three day art exam, to name just a few examples.

We also celebrated St George's Day with a fish and chip special in the dining hall which went down well with students and on the same day it was good to see Google thinking of us when they selected their special St George's Day logo!



As we shift our thoughts into next week, the practical formal exams continue with Year 13 Performing Arts Unit 3 Performances; Year 13 A Level Photography and GCSE Language Speaking exams.

We are sending our very best Sackville community wishes to all students involved #YouGotThis

Jo Meloni
Headteacher, BA (Hons), NPQEL

Week: A

Timetable: 4 + 1

Hot Chocolate With The Head



Hot Chocolate with the Head was full of applause and recognition this week as a group of delightful young people joined me from the Yousafzai Community.

Henry and Aria (year 7); Rosie and Zachary (year 8); David (year 9); Sonny (year 10); Cameron (year 11 and Isaac (year 12 Attenborough) listened carefully to each others accomplishments and interests which ranged from gaining the most Sackville Stars for fantastic work in class, to demonstrating excellence in performing arts and in one young person's case, settling in well since joining us mid-year.

I was particularly pleased to see that pretty much everyone around the table was involved in some kind of club/activity or hobby either within or outside of school. Developing those all important skills, expanding their social circle and doing something they really enjoy is so important.

Well done to each of them.

Jo Meloni
Headteacher

Key Dates

Thursday 30 April 2026

Monday 04 May 2026

Wednesday 06 May 2026

Thursday 07 May 2026

Thursday 07 May 2026

Friday 08 May 2026

Thursday 09 July 2026

Monday 13 July 2026

Wednesday 13 May 2026

Thursday 14 May 2026

Tuesday 19 May 2026

Friday 22 May 2026

Monday 25 May 2026 - Friday 29 May 2026

Monday 01 June 2026

Year 10 Consultation Evening - 3.30pm - 6.30pm

BANK HOLIDAY

Year 7 Workshop - Dead Poets Live

Start of 3+2 Timetable Due to Exams

Sports Award - 5.00pm - 8.00pm

Attenborough Event - Celebrating the life of Sir David Attenborough

Arts Fest

Year 8 HPV Vaccinations

Families Focus Group - 4.00pm - 5.00pm

Parent Carer Forum Coffee Morning 9.30am - 11.00am

Online Parent Carer Forum - 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Last day of term

HALF TERM

Federation Dance Event at Chequer Mead

Notice Board

Maths Sparx



Student	Year Group	SPARX XP Points
Moses Skaria	7	1,515
Georgie Crocker	8	1,470
Zachary White	9	3,280
Sophie Longhurst	10	1,140
Ryan Neville	11	3,609

Congratulations to our top performers for last week in SPARX Maths!

Jack Bradford Charity Link

Jack (Year 9), along with members of his family, will be taking part in the Marsden March on Sunday 10 May 2026 - a 15-mile walk from Chelsea to Sutton.

This challenge is especially meaningful to Jack and his family. His mum has been under the care of The Royal Marsden for the past eight years. Thanks to their expert monitoring, doctors were able to detect that her cancer had spread at an early stage. She is now undergoing a two-year programme of immunotherapy and is incredibly grateful for the care and support she has received.



The Royal Marsden is a world-leading cancer centre, with dedicated units for all cancer types. They provide exceptional care from diagnosis through to treatment and beyond. Just as importantly, they fund life-saving research that helps improve early diagnosis and develop more effective, personalised treatments. Donations support their clinicians and researchers, as well as the cutting-edge equipment and technology that make this vital work possible.

Jack and his family are walking to give back and to help ensure others can benefit from the same outstanding care.

<https://march.royalmarsden.org/fundraisers/bradfordmarchers>

Safeguarding

Financial Scams Targeting Teens

Teens are increasingly targeted by online scams—especially via fake jobs or “money mule” schemes. Teach your child to be cautious with bank details, job offers, and any “too good to be true” online deals. Encourage them to check with you before committing to anything financial online.

Please contact your child’s tutor, community team or safeguarding@sackvilleschool.org.uk if you have any concerns/questions around your child’s safety. You can also contact the following organisations, depending on where you live, to get more advice.

West Sussex -

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/keeping-children-safe/request-support-or-raise-a-concern-about-a-child/>

East Sussex - <https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/children-families/report-a-concern-child>

Surrey - <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/children/contact-childrens-services>

Kent - <https://www.kscmp.org.uk/guidance/worried-about-a-child>

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:

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Mr Cowlin - pcowlin@sackvilleschool.org.uk

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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...
...you feel down or sad
...something is bothering you
...you are concerned about a friend

Email us confidentially by scanning the QR code below:

 Ms Porter Head of Sixth Form	 Mr Groves Deputy Head Sixth Form	 Mrs Valentine CTL Health and Social
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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

Exam News

Year 10 Mock Exams and Year 9 B&V Mock

	(8.45am) P1	P2	P3	P4	P5
Wednesday 17 June				Year 9 B&V Mock - 1hr 30m	
Thursday 18 June	Biology - 1hr 15/1hr 45m in sports hall/C corridor			Option A during lesson	
Friday 19 June	Eng Lang - 1hr 45m in sports hall/C corridor			Option C during lesson	
Monday 22 June	Chemistry - 1hr 15/1hr 45m in sports hall/C corridor			English Lit - 1hr in sports hall/C corridor	
Tuesday 23 June	Maths 1 - 1hr 30m in sports hall/C corridor			Option D during lesson	
Wednesday 24 June	Option B during lesson			Physics - 1hr 15/1hr 45m in sports hall/C corridor	
Thursday 25 June	Maths 2 - 1hr 30m in sports hall/C corridor				
Friday 26 June	Catch up				
Monday 06 July	Photography (all day)				
Tuesday 07 July	Fine Art (all day)				

Year 12 Progression Exams

	8.45am	1.00pm
Monday 22 June	<u>OPTION A</u> Spanish LRW Core Maths Politics Maths 1 - Pure Maths Business 1 Film	<u>OPTION B</u> Psychology 1 English Literature 1 Physics 1 History Economics 1
Tuesday 23 June	<u>OPTION C</u> English Language 1 Chemistry 1 Geography 1 Business 1 PE	<u>OPTION D</u> Biology 1 Law 1 Economics 1
Wednesday 24 June	<u>OPTION E</u> Psychology 1 Philosophy DT 1 Further Maths 1 - Core Pure Maths 1 - Pure Maths Core Maths	<u>OPTION A</u> Maths 2 - Stats & Mech Business 2

Thursday 25 June	OPTION B Psychology 2 English Literature 2 Physics 2 Economics 2 HSC - NEA Assessment	OPTION C Chemistry 2 Geography 2 Business 2
Friday 26 June	OPTION D Biology 2 Law 2 Economics 2	OPTION E Psychology 2 DT 2 Further Maths 2 - Decision Maths 2 - Stats & Mech
Provisional: Wednesday 01 and Thursday 02 July	Criminology resit (periods 3-6) Criminology 1 day	
Monday 18 May	Photography (All day)	
Tuesday 19 May	Fine Art (All day)	

Together We Achieve

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

Book of the Week

Book of the Week

Last week, year 7 was visited by Lindsay Galvin, who spoke about everything from her start in the industry, getting her first books published, and building an exciting career. Students were also given a great insight into Lindsay's creative process, as she explained how she progresses from an initial idea to completed book, including edits, revisions, feedback and discussion. Our book of the week is Lindsay's latest book - *the Elixir* - which mixes historical fact with a swirl of the supernatural, featuring a young Isaac Newton.

Find out more about Lindsay at her website: <https://www.lindsaygalvin.com/>



Extra-Curricular Opportunities

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

[Extra-Curricular Opportunities Summer 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 22 May 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](#) - Next Interviews in July due to exams
- [Catering Assistant](#) - Closing Tuesday 30 April 2026

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.



This term we have talks on Civil Engineering, RAF and Norland Nannies. 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.

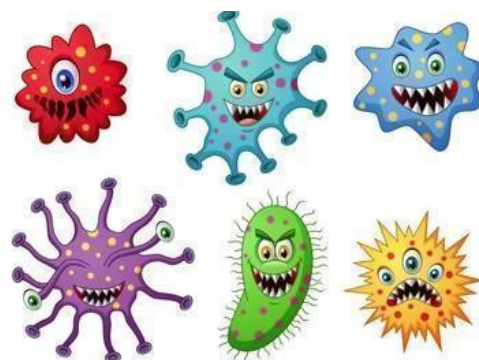
We will continue to provide the support and medical assistance you have already agreed to unless we hear from you.

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

Lingfield Circus

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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Meet our friendly club members for a bit at your level, test your skills against the ball machine, or get tips from our expert coaching team.
Rackets and balls are provided - just bring your towel!

THE SOCIAL SIDE
BBQ fired up from 3:00PM - 3:30PM
Our fully stocked bar will be open all afternoon for cold drinks, ice lollies, tea and coffee.

THE FINAL WHISTLE
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The Juno Project

THE JUNO PROJECT Raising resilient girls in the digital age - online offer for parents!

Do you have a daughter approaching, or in, her teenage years?

Join us for a **2-hour virtual workshop** that will help you gain clearer insight into the challenges your daughter may be facing.

We will share simple tools and guidance to help you support her emotional growth through the teenage years and build practical strategies that suit you and your family.

Thursday 7th May
Online
2pm- 4pm OR 6.30pm-8.30pm
Suggested: £15 Low cost/benefits: £5

Scan QR for registration form

Find out more about our work: <https://bit.ly/JunoOurStory>

Face April 2026 Timetable

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All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long
£24 each or FREE with School Membership
 Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk
 Recordings available for 48 hours

Understanding Anger	6 April 10am
School Anxiety	6 April 7pm
Facing Defiance	7 April 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	7 April 7pm
Anxiety Explained	13 April 10am
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	13 April 7pm
Introduction to OCD	14 April 10am
What is ACT?	14 April 7pm
Decreasing Depression	20 April 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	20 April 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	21 April 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	21 April 7pm
FREE Decreasing Depression	23 April 7-8pm
Improving Family Communication	27 April 10am
Autism: Improving Communication	27 April 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	28 April 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	28 April 7pm

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.

- 1 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

- 2 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.

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

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

- 5 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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*CURRENT YEAR 8

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- Every **Saturday @ Sackville School (term time only)**
- 6 week course - only **£10 per session!**
- **FIRST SESSION FREE!**



LTA Level 3 tennis coach and qualified PE Teacher



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Years 6-7
9:30-10:30am

Intermediates
Years 8-9
10:45-11:45am

Advanced
Years 10-13
12-1pm

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Junior Orchestra
Young Voices

CRAWLEY
The Mill Primary, RH11 0EL
Fridays
Tomorrow's Orchestra Programme

HORSHAM
Millais School, RH13 5HR
Saturdays
Tomorrow's Orchestra Programme
Drum Lab
Junior Wind Orchestra
Junior String Orchestra
Training Wind Orchestra
Training String Orchestra
Young Voices
West Sussex Youth Choir
West Sussex Youth Wind Orchestra
West Sussex Youth String Orchestra
West Sussex Youth Orchestra

QM Studios, RH12 1GZ
Thursdays
Play In A Band

MIDHURST
Midhurst Rother College, GU29 9DT
Tuesdays
Tomorrow's Orchestra Programme
Junior Orchestra

CHICHESTER
St Joseph's CE Junior, PO19 1DQ
Saturdays
Tomorrow's Orchestra Programme
Drum Lab
Junior Orchestra
Youth Orchestra

WORTHING
Bohunt School, BN14 8AH
Saturdays
Tomorrow's Orchestra Programme
Drum Lab
Junior Orchestra
Youth Orchestra
Young Voices

Northbrook College, BN12 6NU
Wednesdays
Play In A Band

FIND OUT MORE

Water Bottle in Exams

As we head towards the exam season and the weather warms up, please make sure your child stays hydrated, with an exam board compliant water bottle.



WATER BOTTLES IN EXAMS

- Unlabelled
- Re-sealable
- Transparent
- No markings
- Not have a large solid lid.

The poster shows a clear, unlabelled, re-sealable water bottle with a green checkmark next to it. Below, four examples of non-compliant bottles are shown with red X marks over them: a bottle with a label, a bottle with a large solid lid, a bottle with markings, and a bottle with a large solid lid.

Trustees Wanted

Are you looking for a meaningful way to give back to your local community?



We are looking for new Trustees to help shape the strategic direction of Home-Start CHAMS, a local family support charity dedicated to helping families with young children through challenging times.

As a Trustee, you will use your skills, experience and perspective to help guide our future, strengthen our impact and ensure we continue to support families who need us most. We welcome people from a wide range of backgrounds. Experience in areas such as working with families or young children, fundraising or finance, would be helpful, but is by no means essential.

You do not need previous trustee experience — just a commitment to our values, an interest in our work and the ability to think strategically and work collaboratively.

If you would like to be part of a supportive, purpose-driven team and help create lasting change for local families, we would love to hear from you.

Come and join us — your contribution can make a real difference.

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