



03 July 2026

Dear Year 10 Families

As we navigate this vital academic year, we want to ensure you are fully informed about the key milestones, events, and opportunities ahead for your child. Below, you will find important details regarding two major events on the Year 10 calendar, our upcoming Journey to Success Evening and our Curriculum Enhancement Week.

1. Year 10 Journey to Success Evening

Date: Tuesday 07 July 2026

Time: 4.30pm – 6.00pm

This important evening marks the end of Year 10 and the start of Year 11 and continues their journey towards success in their GCSEs. We strongly encourage all families to attend so we can work in partnership to support your child's academic and personal growth.

During the evening, we will:

- **Explore** the key academic expectations and requirements of Year 11 study
- **Reflect** on the Year 10 mocks and how to interpret the grades
- **Explain** the Year 10 Work Experience (WEX) program scheduled for this term
- **Provide** practical workshops in English, maths, and science focusing on how you can best support your child's progress in these core subjects at home
- **Share** essential guidance around mental health and student wellbeing support.

Action Required: To help us plan effectively, please sign up for this event via the MCAS app. You can find this event listed under the "Clubs" section. We very much look forward to welcoming you as we work together to ensure our students have the best possible start to Year 11 at Sackville.

2. Year 10 Curriculum Enhancement Week

Dates: Monday 13 July to Friday 17 July 2026

This exciting week is designed to broaden our students' horizons, build practical skills, and help them plan for their futures. The schedule for the week is outlined below:

Monday 13 - Wednesday 15 July 2026 - Work Experience (WEX) or In-School Project Pitch

Students will either be out on their pre-arranged work experience placements or are expected in school to participate in our "Project Pitch" program. Confirmation of details of "Project Pitch" will be sent out by Mrs Ellis early next week.

Thursday 16 July 2026 - Higher Education Visit

Students will visit the University of Sussex. This is a fantastic opportunity to tour the campus, explore various post-18 pathways, and begin planning their next steps.

Key Logistics for Thursday 16 July

- **Destination:** University of Sussex
- **Dress Code:** Students are permitted to wear suitable, comfortable clothes.
- **Timings:**
 - **Arrival:** 8.25am sharp. Meeting points will be communicated to students via their tutors.
 - **Return:** Students will return to school by **2.55pm** for dismissal at the normal time.



- **Lunch:** Students will need to bring a packed lunch. Students eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) will have these provided by the school kitchen. **No peanut or nut related products are allowed to be taken on any school visit.**

Please complete the consent form on MCAS. It is located under Parental Consents and guidance is below.

The image shows the MCAS app interface. On the left is a grid of icons for various school functions: Behaviour Summary, Outstanding Payments, Homework, Trips, Clubs, Dinner, Attendance, Timetable, Detentions, Reports, Data Collection, and Parental Consent. The 'Parental Consent' icon at the bottom is circled in red. On the right is a screenshot of the 'Parental Consent' screen. It has a back arrow and the title 'Parental Consent'. Below the title is a section 'Manage Your Consents' with a toggle switch for 'Allow all of them'. A message states: 'Please call the school or visit reception to revoke your parent consent.' Below this is a specific consent request for 'CEW Uni/College Trip Yr10', which is circled in red. The text for this request is: 'Please tick to give consent for your child in Year 10 to attend the University/College trip'. At the bottom of this request is a toggle switch and the text 'No, I don't give consent'.

Friday 17 July - Activity Day

To wrap up the week, students will participate in one of three options: a trip to Thorpe Park, a trip to Port Lympne Safari Park, or a designated in-school activity. The trip leader for these activities will have already been in touch with you regarding the trip.

Key Logistics

- **Thorpe Park Trip:**
 - **Arrival:** Meet in the dining hall at **8.00am**.
 - **Return:** Back to school by approximately **6.30pm** (subject to traffic). *Please refer to the separate email from the trip leader for full details.*
- **Port Lympne Trip:**
 - **Arrival:** Meet in the dining hall at **7.45am**.
 - **Return:** Back to school by approximately **6.30pm** (subject to traffic). *Please refer to the separate email from the trip leader for full details.*
- **In-School Activity:**
 - **Arrival:** Report directly to room **A11** at **8.20am**.
 - **Dismissal:** Normal school dismissal time.

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

Thank you as always for your continued support, partnership, and engagement in these key milestone events.

Yours sincerely

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Mr James Beaver
Community Leader of Holmes

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Mrs Sam Ellis
Associate Assistant Headteacher

