Weekly Bulletin

Diary Dates	
26th – 29th November	Burgess Hill Town Christmas Village Market (Key Stage 5 Enterprises)
30th November	College Assessment Week
08th December	KS3 Christmas Performance 10:00am – School Site
09th December	KS3 Christmas Performance 2:00pm – School Site
10th December	Orange Pathway College My Creativity Performance 2:30pm
10th December	Primary Christmas Performance 2:00pm – School Site
11th December	Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children
15th December	Christmas Lunch at School Site
16th December	Pupils Christmas Pantomime at College Site – 2:00pm
17th December	Christmas Lunch at College Site
18th December	LAST DAY OF TERM

Letters sent this week
KS4 English Group trip to The Book Den, Burgess Hill – 11.12.26
Hedgehog class & Mixed KS3 trip to Burgess Hill Library – 24.11.26
KS5 Mixed Enterprise Group Trip to Burgess Hill Town Centre, Christmas Market – 26.11.26
Music Options & Makaton Choir, Burgess Hill Town Centre – 27.11.26
Amended Christmas Lunch – College Site 17.12.26
Fox Class – Trip to Burgess Hill Litter Picking – 24.11.26
College Site Panto – 16.12.26
Fox Class – Trip to Greggs, Burgess Hill – 27.11.26
5CG Trip to Burgess Hill Christmas Market, Burgess Hill 26.11.26
5CG Trip to Sheffield Park, Haywards Heath 03.12.26
5CG Trip to Beech Hurst Gardens & Harvest, Haywards Heath 02.12.26
4DS & 4JW Gatwick Airport STEM Centre, Gatwick 21.07.26

Lunch Menu	**Copies of letters**	**Term Dates**
		

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Active 30

Active 30 is a government initiative to help children become fitter and healthier. It directs schools to provide 30 minutes of active time (in addition to playtimes and scheduled PE) each school day. Families are responsible for encouraging their children to become more active for an additional 30 minutes at home. With this in mind, we are supporting families by providing a suggested weekly activity for children to do at home which requires no specialist equipment, but maybe a bit of creativity to deliver it. If you would prefer to do your own activity, that is fine. It is not compulsory, but it would be great for as many students as possible to participate. Please put any photos taken on Seesaw and tag Active Time.

6 In a Row

Get Set 4 Education

What you need: 6 shoes, two dice, a line marker e.g. dressing gown rope or a line on the floor and two or more players.

How to play:

- Place the 6 shoes in a row on the line.
- The two players begin at opposite ends of the shoes with one dice each.
- The shoes are numbered 1 – 6 from each players end so one players #6 will be their opponents #1 etc.
- Roll the dice and run to the shoe with the corresponding number. Move that shoe to the right side of the line.
- Run back to the dice and roll again.
- The winner is the player to have all 6 shoes on their right of the line, or whomever has the most shoes in 4 minutes.
- Make this easier by playing first to four shoes.



www.getset4education.co.uk

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AGM

Annual General Meeting

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Stay informed and get involved.

Please come and join us for coffee and mincepies, to hear about the work of your PTA, give us your ideas and get involved!

Woodlands Meed College - Monday 14th December 2026 – 1030am – 1130am

Please RSVP to ahull@woodlandsmeed.co.uk so we can know numbers for seating and refreshments



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Supported Internship Programme

Starting September 2027

Your first steps towards employment

Real workplaces Real skills
Real opportunities



Are you ready for your next step?

- ✓ Aged 16 -24
- ✓ Have an EHCP
- ✓ Want to learn employability skills
- ✓ Have some previous work experience
- ✓ Want first steps into employment
- ✓ Can travel independently

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Woodlands Meed in partnership with WSCC Adult Learning

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WHAT IS A SUPPORTED INTERNSHIP?

A study programme that combines :

English and Maths
Personal and Social Development
Career Management Skills
Employability Skills

POTENTIAL PLACEMENT AREAS

Childcare | Retail | Catering | Administration | Horticulture

HOW IT WORKS

Learn

Develop workplace, communication and employability skills

Work

Gain experience in a real workplace matched to your interests and strengths

Progress

Build confidence and take positive steps towards paid employment and future opportunities.

PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

- Real work experience
- Expert Job Coach support
- Personalised support
- English & Maths qualifications
- No entry qualification required

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Classroom-based learning in Burgess Hill. Placements across Mid Sussex, with businesses or organisations in a range of settings.

Find out more

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www.woodlandsmeed.co.uk

Real Workplaces. Real Experience. Real Opportunities.



[Booking link for Information Sessions]

College Open Days

Please see below a list of various upcoming College Open Days

Plumpton College –Saturday 21st November

Upcoming Events - Plumpton College

Brighton Metropolitan College –Saturday 21st November

Open events | Brighton Metropolitan College

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

GRAND THEFT AUTO VI

Grand Theft Auto 6 (also stylised as GTA VI) has been one of the most highly anticipated games of this generation, following GTA V, one of the best-selling video games of all time. Set in the fictional state of Leonida, including Vice City, it follows criminal partners Jason and Lucia as they become embroiled in a wider conspiracy. Although GTA VI is intended for adult audiences, its enormous popularity means that younger people may still encounter gameplay footage online or express an interest in playing it.

AGE RESTRICTION PEGI 18

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

EXTREMELY VIOLENT CONTENT

GTA VI is rated PEGI 18 for a reason. Players may encounter weapons like guns, knives and explosives, with violence portrayed in highly realistic ways. As in previous GTA games, players may also encounter violence involving vehicles and other characters. The game is categorically not for younger audiences, with blood, gore, and intense violence clearly identified in its official content

SENSITIVE SOCIETAL TOPICS

Like other games in the Grand Theft Auto franchise, GTA VI uses satire to explore aspects of society and contemporary culture. Its exaggerated characters and situations are fictional and may be intended to challenge or mock particular attitudes rather than endorse them. Younger viewers, however, may struggle to recognise this context and could misunderstand jokes, stereotypes, or social commentary without guidance from a trusted adult.

TALKING TO STRANGERS ONLINE

GTA Online, the multiplayer experience associated with GTA V, allows players to communicate with others online. GTA VI has been announced as a single-player experience at launch, so the same in-game chat risks should not yet be assumed. Children may still discuss the game through other online platforms potentially encountering strangers, inappropriate language and adult themes.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE

Throughout GTA VI's storyline, drugs and alcohol form part of the game's criminal world. The official content rating identifies the use of both, while Rockstar's character descriptions reference drug runners and dealers. Earlier titles also showed substance use affecting how characters see and move around the world. Younger viewers may struggle to understand these portrayals in the context of a fictional crime story, particularly without guidance from a trusted adult.

NUDITY AND SEX

Relationships and sexual themes feature in GTA VI, while previous GTA titles have allowed players to visit strip clubs and solicit sex workers. It should also be recognised that GTA VI's graphics aim to be realistic, meaning depictions of nudity and sexual content may be explicit. Official ratings confirm nudity and strong sexual content, although details of specific scenes should not be assumed from earlier games.

OPTIONAL IN-GAME PURCHASES

As with its predecessor, GTA VI includes optional in-game purchases that use real-world money. While these purchases are not necessary to play the game, the appeal of additional content may encourage some players to spend more. Younger players may not fully appreciate the cost or how quickly small payments add up.

Advice for Parents & Educators

PARENTAL CONTROLS

Parental controls can block age-restricted games, but they won't remove GTA VI's adult themes from elsewhere online. On PS5, go to Settings > Family and Parental Controls > Family Management, select the child and choose your restrictions. On Xbox Series X|S, use Settings > Account > Family settings, or the Xbox Family Settings app, to manage age restrictions and screen time.

LIMIT ACCESS TO BANK DETAILS

Limiting access to banking details helps prevent accidental or unauthorised purchases. Avoid storing payment details on a child's account and require approval before spending. On PS5, parents and carers can set a monthly spending limit through Family Management. On Xbox Series X|S, the Ask to Buy feature can request adult approval for purchases, helping children and young people understand their real-world cost.

COMMUNICATION RESTRICTIONS

On PS5 and Xbox Series X|S, parental controls can restrict voice chat, messages, friend requests, and communication with other players. Parents and carers can limit interactions to approved friends or prevent communication altogether, depending on the available settings. These restrictions are especially helpful for reducing children's exposure to strangers, inappropriate language and adult themes through console chats or other multiplayer games.

MAKE THIS A CONVERSATION

Even if a child is not playing GTA VI, they may still watch gameplay clips, livestreams or trailers shared by friends and content creators. It's important to talk openly with children about why GTA VI has an adult age rating and discuss its violence, crime, strong language, sexual themes, satirical lens, and other mature content. Ask what interests them about the game and what they already know. Talk about the difference between fictional behaviour and real-world consequences.

Meet Our Expert

Mark Foster has worked in the gaming industry for 12+ years as a journalist, editor and social media expert. He's travelled the world playing video games and working with publishers and developers to fine tune their audience messaging. When he's not gaming, he can be found watching horror and sci-fi movies, TV series, listening to music or deciding which world marathon to plod around.

#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

See full reference list on our website

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THE WOODLANDS MEED ENTERPRISES STALL IS BACK!

Don't miss out - come and see us next week at the Burgess Hill Christmas Market

26th Nov 11am - 7pm
27th Nov 11am - 7pm
28th Nov 10am - 8pm
29th Nov 10am - 4pm

We'll be selling the amazing products made by the College Enterprise students and FOWM Raffle tickets, come and start your Christmas shopping!

Free programmes available at the Help Point

Christmas Festival

Brought to you by BurgessHill Town Council

26 - 29 November
Burgess Hill Town Centre

Christmas Lights Switch On ~ Food & Drink
Live Music ~ Entertainment
Free Family Activities & Lots More!

The Christmas Chalets are back!



For more information follow us on social media,
visit www.burgesshill.gov.uk/the-christmas-festival/
Call 01444 247726, or pop into The Help Point, 96 Church Walk

Thursday 26 November

CHALETS OPEN 11AM-7PM

THE STAGE, CHURCH WALK

11.15am ~ Burgess Hill Girls
1.45pm ~ Burgess Hill Academy
2.15pm ~ London Meed School
4pm-7pm ~ Tobias
5pm ~ Christmas Lights Switch On

OTHER LOCATIONS

Until 7pm ~ Late Night Shopping ~ Market Place Shopping
11am-7pm ~ Teacups Ride ~ Church Walk
2.45-4.45pm ~ Santa's Grotto ~ Market Place Shopping
4-6pm ~ Children's Crafts ~ The Hub
4-4.30pm ~ Storytime ~ The Library
4.50-6.50pm ~ LED Fairy ~ Church Walk
5.30pm & 7pm ~ Drama Workshops ~ Theatre Club

Friday 27 November

CHALETS OPEN 11AM-7PM

THE STAGE, CHURCH WALK

11am ~ Woodlands Meed & Al Start
12pm ~ Haywards Heath College
1pm ~ Aimee Iris
2pm ~ Southway School
2.40pm & 3.40pm ~ Rock Choir
4.20pm ~ Belle & Snow White
5pm ~ Small Talk

OTHER LOCATIONS

11am-2pm ~ Adult's Crafts ~ The Hub
11am-5pm ~ Burgess Hill Artists Fair ~ St John's Church
1-3pm ~ Printing Workshop ~ St John's Church
3-5pm ~ Santa's Grotto ~ Market Place Shopping
3-5pm Belle and Snow White ~ Church Walk
4pm ~ Walkhouse Gielgud Academy ~ Market Place Shopping of Performing Arts
5.15pm & 6pm ~ Fire Dancer ~ Church Walk

Saturday 28 November

CHALETS OPEN 10AM-8PM

THE STAGE, CHURCH WALK

10am ~ Burgess Hill Marching Youth
(starting in Market Place Shopping and marching to the stage)
11am ~ Mia Hayman-Lewis
12.30pm ~ Ariel Drama Acdemies
1pm ~ Niruththiyalayam School of Dance
2pm ~ Joe Parrott Music
3pm ~ DJ Deano
5.30pm ~ In Yer Face

MARKET PLACE SHOPPING

10.30am-12.30pm & 1-3pm ~ Santa's Grotto
11am-3pm ~ Community Market
11am ~ Salvation Army Band
1.30pm ~ Sussex Harmonisers

CHURCH WALK

10am-8pm ~ Ice Rink and Snow Globe
10am-8pm ~ Burgess Hill Creative Community Market
10am-2pm ~ Facepainting in the Help Point
11am-5pm ~ The Imperial Outlanders
1pm, 2pm & 3pm ~ Stocking Up!
2-6pm ~ Balloon Artist

OTHER LOCATIONS

11am-5pm ~ Burgess Hill Artist Fair ~ St John's Church & Gift Wrapping
12.15pm & 2.15pm ~ The Nutcracker & The Mouse King ~ Cyprus Hall
(doors open at 11.45am & 1.45pm respectively, the show is 1 hour long)
1-3pm ~ Printing Workshop ~ St John's Church

Sunday 29 November

CHALETS OPEN 10AM-4PM

THE STAGE, CHURCH WALK

10.30am ~ Ariel Choir
11.15am ~ Brighton School of Singing
12pm & 2pm ~ Tomfoolery
12.45pm ~ M&M Theatre
3pm ~ Vocal Dimensions Choir

MARKET PLACE SHOPPING

10.30am-12.30pm & 1.30-3.30pm ~ Facepainting
1pm ~ Tomfoolery

CHURCH WALK

10am-4pm ~ Ice Rink and Snow Globe
10am-4pm ~ Burgess Hill Theatre Club Craft Fair
12pm, 1.15pm & 2.25pm ~ Dickensian Ding Dong

OTHER LOCATIONS

4pm ~ Advent Carols ~ St John's Church



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ACTIVITIES CENTRE TRUST

An independent charity dedicated to young people our mission is to help and educate young people across West Sussex and surrounding areas. Through outdoor and residential activities, we aim to foster their physical, mental, and emotional development, helping them grow into confident, capable, and well-rounded individuals.





Who is it for?

Free to children aged 8-14 in receipt of benefit related free school meals- fully funded by the HAF programme

What will they get up to?

Land activities: with a bushcraft focus: Encouraging an active lifestyle

Food Education: Encouraging healthier decisions with meals

What are the details?

21st, 22nd, 28th,29th December 2026
09:00-16:00
Cobnor Activities Centre Trust

Book now:
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For more info:
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SUNDAY 22ND NOVEMBER, 2.30PM & 4.30PM
OATHALL COMMUNITY COLLEGE, LINDFIELD



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Alongside our professional musicians, our fantastic community orchestra will be joined by Sarah Rolph's 'Sing-Choirs for Children'.

Perfect for all the family, come and enjoy community music-making at its best!

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Did you know that 80% of toys end up in landfill, the ocean or incinerators? When there are already so many toys in circulation, let's use what we already have rather than buying new this Christmas. CREW and Honey House have joined forces to hold The Big Toy Swap at Audio Active on Friday 27th November from 2:00pm-4:30pm.

Bring what you can, take what you need - we would love for you to join us in swapping toys aimed at children aged between 0-10 though if you can't bring anything you are still very welcome. If you have toys that you would like to drop in advance please take them to Norfolk House, South Street, Tarring, West Worthing, BN14 7NL. Please knock to leave donations - if no answer there will be instructions on where to leave in a safe hiding space.

This drop off point is open from 4pm daily on Monday 23rd November through to Thursday 26th November. Kids welcome or come alone to prep for the big day...!

Sign up for free here - https://bookwhen.com/honeyhouse/e/ev-sbbi7-20261127140000

S.E.N Youth Club. 12-18 Years old



Orchard House Youth Club

Thursdays (throughout the year)
6.15 to 8.15 p.m.
£4 weekly fees (+ £1 max for tuck shop)

We run on Thursdays, in Burgess Hill. The group is a perfect way for our youth clubbers (aged 12-18) to gain independence and life skills with their peers, in a safe and supervised environment.

Each week we run a variety of activities across the building (sports, crafts, table top games etc)

Each room is suitably staffed to allow the youth clubbers freedom to enjoy the evening as they choose.

Please note that this is NOT a drop-in session, you must apply and be offered a place before bringing your child along.

We will do all we can to accommodate individual needs so please ask.

First sessions will always be booked as a free taster where the parent/carer can stay.

For members there is a weekly subscription of £4 and a suggested £1 limit to spend in the tuck shop.

Please call us on 01444 454226
Or email
nikki.roberts@westsussex.gov.uk or
martin.norris@westsussex.gov.uk

BEDE'S HOLIDAY CLUB

CHRISTMAS 2026

BOOK HERE

OUR PROGRAMME

Join Bede's Holiday Club for an activity-packed programme designed for children aged 5–12. Whether your child attends Bede's or another local school, everyone is welcome!

Eastbourne

- 21st - 23rd December
- 4th - 8th January

Burgess Hill

- 21st - 23rd December







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21ST - 23RD DECEMBER 2026

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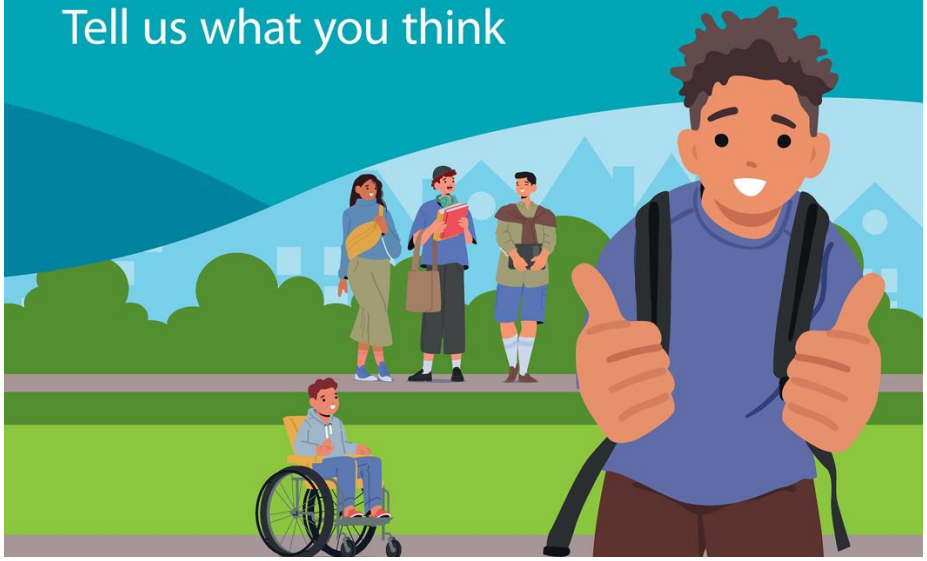
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SIGN-UP TO OPEN EVENINGS

WATCH OUR PROMO VIDEO

West Sussex Young People's Strategy

Tell us what you think





Have Your Say on the Young People's Strategy

We're developing a new Young People's Strategy and would like your feedback on our proposed priorities.

It sets out a vision for ensuring young people can access safe, welcoming and enjoyable activities that help them grow, learn and thrive.

If you would like assistance to complete the survey, please visit your local Library who can support you to complete it online.

Visit: yourvoice.westsussex.gov.uk/yps-consultation

Or scan the QR code:

SCAN ME

Survey closes: 11:55pm, Sunday 13 December 2026

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NOW TAKING NEW PLAYERS

APEX FOOTBALL GROUP · MID SUSSEX

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

WEDNESDAYS · BURGESS HILL
The Arc, Burgess Hill

5-6PM U6–U12

HIGH-LEVEL COACHING. SAFE, FUN, DYNAMIC.

Apex Football Group provides high-level coaching for players across Sussex. Our **FA and UEFA qualified coaches** are **DBS checked** and **fully insured**, delivering dynamic, fun and engaging sessions in a **safe environment.**

- **FA & UEFA** QUALIFIED
- **DBS** CHECKED
- **FULLY** INSURED
- **SAFE** ENVIRONMENT

EVERY SESSION BUILDS FOUR KEY ELEMENTS

THE MAVERICK
Creative and fearless. Beats players 1v1.
THINK: **RONALDINHO · ZIDANE**

THE LINK
Connects defence to attack. Makes the team tick.
THINK: **MODRIĆ · VITINHA**

THE WARRIOR
Brave in every challenge. Wins the ball back.
THINK: **PUYOL · JOHN TERRY**

THE FINISHER
Scores different types of goals.
THINK: **KANE · HAALAND**

JOIN US FOR A FREE TRIAL SESSION

Come along any Wednesday between now and Christmas.

WED 18 NOV · **WED 25 NOV** · **WED 2 DEC** · **WED 9 DEC** · **WED 16 DEC**

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

FOUR KEY ELEMENTS

WHAT TYPE OF PLAYER ARE YOU?

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AT LODGE HILL

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CHILDREN £22 | ADULTS £12

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Lodge Hill invites you to our...

Christmas Wreath Making Workshop

Join us for a cosy and creative festive morning!

Includes hot drinks and sweet treats!

All materials are provided - just bring your apron and secateurs if you have them!

SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2026

10AM - 12:30PM

£45 per person

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