

# Parent Bulletin

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**Willingdon**  
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

14th February 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you for your ongoing engagement and unwavering support of our school community. Your involvement plays a crucial role in the success of our students, and we deeply appreciate all that you do to enrich their learning experiences.

A special thank you to those parents who attended our school musical, *Fame*. It was truly wonderful to see our year groups working together, showcasing their incredible talents, and demonstrating personal excellence. The dedication and hard work of both students and staff were evident, and we're so grateful to have had the opportunity to share that with you.

We are also reaching out with a special request: As part of our efforts to raise funds for a new canopy for the school, we are asking each student to take part in the £20.25 challenge. This initiative aims to raise the necessary funds to enhance our school facilities and provide a covered space that can be used by all of our students.

Students now have the half-term break to complete some of their activities, making this a great opportunity to get involved. Whether it's a sponsored swim, a sponsored walk, or even selling clothes on Vinted, we've seen some creative and inspiring ways students have already started raising funds. We encourage every student to make the most of this time to complete their chosen activities. Every contribution, no matter how big or small, will make a significant difference in helping us reach our goal.

Our Year 11 students have also started their second round of mock exams, and we are pleased to report that all are going very well. As we approach the half-term break, please ensure that your child takes some time to focus on their wellbeing. However, it may also be helpful for them to use some of the time to chip away at their revision in preparation for the important months ahead.

In addition, we are excited to announce that we will be inviting a number of parents to join us for regular parent feedback sessions. For now, these will replace our Parent Forums. These meetings will offer an opportunity for you to share your thoughts and provide input directly to Mrs May and the senior leadership team. We will be randomly selecting parents from each year group and inviting you personally to take part. If you are keen to be involved, we want to ensure that no one is left out, please don't hesitate to email [stomalin@willingdonschool.org.uk](mailto:stomalin@willingdonschool.org.uk) to register your interest. The first of these sessions will be held w/c 3rd March.

We truly value your continued partnership, and together, we can make a lasting impact on our school's growth and future.

Thank you once again for your support.

Warm regards,

Mrs May  
**Headteacher**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**START OF TERM 4** - Monday 24th February

### SAVE THE DATE

**YEAR 11 SCHOOL PROM** - Friday 4th July

### **EARLY SCHOOL CLOSURES**

Friday 4th April 2025

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

(staggered by year group from 12.20pm-12.40pm)

### **INSET DAYS**

Friday, 27th June 2025

## **RSHE**

*In Term 4 of RSHE lessons, we will cover the topics identified below. These lessons will explore important areas of personal, social, health, and education, aimed at developing a deeper understanding of key life skills, relationships, and well-being.*

*Students will engage with the material through a variety of interactive activities and discussions to enhance their learning experience.*

<b>Y7 Health and Wellbeing</b>	<b>Y8 Relationships</b>	<b>Y9 Relationships</b>
Introduction to consent (2)	Relationships	Appearance ideals
Personal hygiene	Online protection laws	Media messages
Sleep and teeth	Capacity to consent	Confronting comparisons
Nutrition and exercise	Families and parenting	Banish body talk
Vaccinations	Family planning choices	Be the change

## ONLINE SAFETY REMINDER

We want to bring to your attention the recent increase in harmful images being shared on platforms like WhatsApp and Snapchat. As digital communication becomes increasingly prevalent among our students, it's crucial to stay vigilant.

### **Key Points to Remember:**

- 1. Age Appropriateness:** Always be aware of the age restrictions for social media platforms. Many apps, including Snapchat and What's App, are designed for users aged 13 and up. Please ensure your child is using age-appropriate platforms. This week we have had a number of issues in Year 7 and 8 regarding these app which they are not old enough to use.
- 2. Regular Checks:** We strongly encourage you to check your child's phone and app usage regularly. Open discussions about their online interactions can help them navigate social media safely.
- 3. Open Communication:** Foster an environment where your child feels comfortable discussing anything they encounter online. Let them know they can talk to you about anything that makes them uncomfortable.

By staying informed and engaged, we can help our children enjoy a safer digital experience. Thank you for your continued support.

As we move into Term 4, we wanted to update you on some changes in our staffing model and adjustments to the timetables for some of our KS3 students. Over the half-term break, we kindly ask that you take a moment with your child, if they are in Year 7, 8, or 9, to review their timetable on Edulink. This will help them become familiar with any changes and ensure a smooth start to the new term.

With this we are excited to introduce a new rotation subject: **Health and Wellbeing**. This course combines both practical and theory-based learning to help students better understand the factors that influence their physical and mental health in today's world. It also equips them with valuable strategies to maintain and improve their wellbeing as they grow into young adults.

At a time when many young people are facing increased challenges with their health, we are proud to offer this opportunity to support our students' overall wellbeing. As this subject includes a practical component, we kindly ask that students wear their **PE kits** on the days they have Health and Wellbeing lessons.

Thank you for your support—we look forward to seeing the positive impact of this new initiative!

### **Due to timetable changes we are having to make the following changes to tutor groups**

Tutor Group	Taken by	On Days
10EOR	Miss Attrill	Thursday
10MET	Mrs Elliott	All Week
11AED	Mrs Angella-Foyle	Monday and Tuesday
11HAR	Ms Arnold	Monday , Tuesday, Friday
7SMI	Miss Leonard	Friday
8CFR	Mr Parry	Monday Tuesday Friday
8GST	Ms Kane	Monday Tuesday Thursday

## Save the Date: **ACTIVITY DAY - Monday 21st July**

To conclude another fantastic year at Willingdon School, we are bringing back Activity Day for Years 7 - 10 which will take place at the end of Term 6 just before we break up for the summer holiday.

There will be a wide range of exciting trips and activities on offer, both in school and outside of school, including trips to SEA LIFE Brighton, Chessington, Thorpe Park, and London Museums. A more detailed plan for each year group will be revealed at the start of Term 4 so please stay tuned!...

## **NEPAL TRIP - YEARS 9, 10 & 11**

Dear Parents & Carers

We are thrilled to announce that this summer, we will once again be offering students the opportunity to take part in an unforgettable conservation trip to Nepal. Following the incredible success of our 2022 trip, we are excited to return to this stunning country, where students will gain hands-on experience in conservation work while exploring its rich landscapes and wildlife.

In previous years, our conservation trips have taken us to Africa and Uganda, and this year, we will once again be traveling to Kathmandu and Chitwan National Park. Chitwan is home to an incredible conservation area where students will engage in meaningful projects within the jungle environment. During our 12-day trip, students will have the chance to see rhinos, elephants, crocodiles, and perhaps even tigers in the wild a truly once-in-a-lifetime experience.

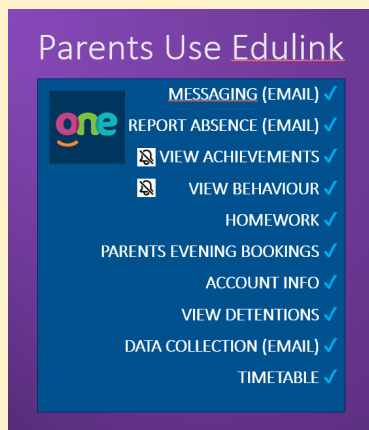
The trip will take place at the end of term in the summer, and we are pleased to share that there are still a few places available for interested students in Years 9, 10, and 11.

If you would like further details or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Osborne, Mr Roche, or Mrs Collins by the first week back from half term.

This is an extraordinary opportunity, and we encourage any student with an interest in conservation, wildlife, or adventure to take part.

Kind regards

Mr Osborne, Mr Roche and Mrs Collins.



**A Reminder as per last week's Parent Bulletin,**  
**parents should now be using the Edulink**  
**Parent App**



## PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) FEBRUARY HALF TERM 2025



[moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free](https://moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free)

### MORRISONS

Spend £5 from the hot menu and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

### BILLS

Kids eat free Mondays - Fridays from Monday 17th - Friday 28th February 2025.

### PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

### ASDA

Kids eat for £1 Daily at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

### LAS IGUANAS

Download the app and Join 'My Las Iguanas' for free meals for mini Iguanas under 12.

### WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

### BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

### TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

### SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

### TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via App)

### GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day

### IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

### BURGER KING

From Friday 14th - Friday 21st Feb 2025, Kids Eat Free with every adult meal purchased via the app.

### EMBER INNS

Kids eat for £1 from Monday 21st October to Friday 1st November 2024 (excludes weekends)

### COCONUT TREE

One child (under 10) eats free every day Monday 10th - Sunday 23rd February 2025

### SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

### BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Sun to Weds. All Day Thursdays

### HARVESTER

From Monday 10th - Friday 28th Feb 2025, kids eat for £1 with every adult meal via the app

### TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 get free breakfast daily with one paying adult!

### PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

### BREWDOG

Pre-book online using code: **KIDS EAT FREE** and Kids under 13 eat free (various dates, see link)

### HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

### THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

### SA BRAINS PUBS

Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

### FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

## ENRICHMENT CLUBS

Please see attached to this email the new enrichment list for Term 4. Please ensure you check this information for any room changes etc. from Term 3.

You can also visit our website <https://willingdonschool.org.uk/learning/enrichment-programme>



# Head Student Election Campaign



The last two weeks has seen a wonderful Head Student Election Campaign.

From a large applicant list, candidates for Head Student were chosen and the final 13 students went to a student vote; 1051 students submitted a vote which was a phenomenal turnout. They were also invited to present to the staff body where they performed exceptionally well! The staff had some fantastic feedback which was sent to all the candidates.

The shortlisted students then went through to the interview stage and completed two interviews. They gave the panel much to deliberate over and a hard choice to make. Thank you to all the students for their preparation and thoughtfulness in planning how they can positively impact the school.

Congratulations to our new Head Students Ava Jackson and Roshan Kazi who have accepted the role.



The Student Leadership Team is now being assembled with significant roles for all our applicants. We were delighted to be spoiled for choice and are grateful to be working with such a dedicated cohort of students.

The first job will be supporting all of our student body with their 2025 challenge!

This term the House Challenge has been focussed on oracy and speaking. Year 8 have been debating in their tutor groups looking for their best speakers to compete in the finals.

The quarter finals took place on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Feb with 7 of the tutor groups debating the topic '**This House Believes that social media should be banned for under 16s**'. The students demonstrated articulate and considered arguments on both sides, showing their understanding of digital literacy and a superb grasp of online safety. The results were very close and **four** tutor groups (8TST, 8GST, 8BMA and 8REL) progressed through to the semi-finals on Wednesday where they went on to debate "**This House Believes That... Sports stars are the best role models for young people.**"

A true verbal battle commenced with points back and forth and some great rebuttals on both sides. Our two finalists were the debate teams from 8REL and 8BMA and after our final debate "**This House Believes that ... Science is the most useful subject**", our triumphant champions (by the smallest of margins!!) were the fantastic team from 8REL.

Huge congratulations to all the teams on a brilliantly competitive House Challenge - you were superb and have all had feedback. A special well done to the victors, Alfie B, Oliver S, Isabella M and Daisy S who, in addition to their certificates and House Points for **Cuckmere House**, have also won the coveted 'Debating Champions Trophy' and a treat for their whole tutor group. This will be presented to them in assembly so the whole year group can celebrate together - What a fantastic debating display- very well done Year 8 and tutors!







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PLUMPTON COLLEGE BAKE OFF  
VE Day 80th Anniversary theme



## TIMELINE

Building from our successful Plumpton Bake Off last year, we are excited to launch the 2025 Bake Off for Food Tech students celebrating with the theme of VE Day - 80th Anniversary.

Year 9 and 10 students are to **pair up** and **submit their recipe** and accompanying drawing or photo.

Finalists will be invited to join us at our **Open Day & Spring Fair** on **Saturday 10th May** to create their masterpieces using our state of the art training kitchen facilities and be judged by some very special bakers!

**Submit Recipe By**  
Friday 4th April 2025

**Shortlist Announcement**  
Tuesday 22nd April 2025

**It's the final!**  
**Open Day & Spring Fair**  
Saturday 10th May 2025

Email submissions to  
[schoolsliaison@plumpton.ac.uk](mailto:schoolsliaison@plumpton.ac.uk)  
by Friday 4th April 2025



[Students' entries here](#)





Head of Year  
Mrs Muller / Mrs Naylor

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# Year 7

Last weekend Calista made her NSEA debut representing Willingdon. She had to navigate a tricky course of 19 jumps - some that were quite scary and caused a lot of eliminations within her class. She rode a super round in the 70-75cm class. It was a huge class of 31 riders and with just the 4 faults she came 17th. She was competing against mostly independent schools and lots who were a lot older. Calista represented the school brilliantly - well done Calista!



Following on from this amazing success we would like to know if we have any more riders at the school, that we could try to put a team together with. If so, please can you contact the year team with the height your child can jump and if they have transport to events.

**Toilet passes:** Now that we are halfway through the year and students are into our school day routine we are retracting all toilet passes and redistributing to only those students with medical needs. We are encouraging students to get into the habit of going every break and lunch so that they are able to focus fully on their lessons.

Lastly, we hope you all have a lovely restful half term!

## The Year 7 Team



Head of Year  
Mr Keast

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# Year 8

As we approach the half term break, I would like to say a massive well done to all Year 8 students for a really successful term! All together Year 8 have amassed a staggering **19,196** reward points this term for upholding our Personal Excellence Values of: **Ambition, Respect, Courtesy, Compassion** and **Honesty** in all they do - a truly remarkable achievement. As always, there have been a number of fantastic achievements from our wonderful students this week that I would like to recognise.

Firstly, a huge congratulations to our Year 8 football team, who put in a brilliant performance to secure a 5-3 victory against Gildredge House. This well-earned win means they have now reached the Eastbourne League Cup Semi-Final - an incredible achievement! The team displayed great teamwork, determination, and sportsmanship, and we are all very proud of them. We would also like to congratulate Grace B and Eloise L who participated in the most recent 8-2 victory against Seaford Head - this resounding victory means that our U14 girls team will play in the final of the Eastbourne Schools League which is scheduled to take place the second week back after half term - we are all routing for you! Next term, the PE department would like to focus on pushing Year 8 girls football further, so if your child may be interested, please encourage them to come along to football club on Tuesdays 3-4pm after half term.

It has also been a wonderful week for the arts, with many of our Year 8 students taking part in the school's production of *Fame*. Their hard work and dedication truly paid off, and it was fantastic to see them showcasing their talents on stage. A huge well done to everyone involved in bringing the production to life - it was a joy to watch!

As we head into the half-term break, I want to thank you all for your continued support. I hope all our students take the opportunity to rest, recharge, and enjoy their time off. Wishing you and your families a relaxing and enjoyable break, and I look forward to welcoming everyone back for another exciting half term.

## The Year 8 Team



Head of Year  
Mr Cain

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# Year 9

We want to take the opportunity to say a huge well done to all Year 9s for a fantastic term!

You have all approached the Options Process with real maturity, and everything is now in hand and being processed. As soon as there are any updates, we will make sure students, parents, and carers are informed so that you all know your Option subjects well in advance of heading into Year 10 and your GCSEs.

A massive well done as well to all the students who took part in the Fame Production this week. It was an absolutely fantastic performance, and brilliant to see so many Year 9 students involved. The hard work, determination, and dedication from everyone was clear to see – you should all be incredibly proud of what you achieved on stage!

Another huge shout-out to the following students who represented the school in the Eastbourne Swimming Gala on Wednesday:

Maddy S and Joseph B (9AME), Bella P (9GEL) and Imogen W and Izzy R (9CPA)

You all performed exceptionally well, and it was fantastic to hear about you representing the school. Well done!

Finally, I hope you all have a wonderful half-term. Make sure you take the time to rest and recharge so you are ready for Term 4.

In the meantime, please see below for the challenge linked for next term. I hope it is a great way for students to stay motivated and continue being the best version of themselves!

Enjoy the break, and see you all soon!

**Year 9 Team**

## Year 9 'Good Egg' Easter Challenge



### REWARD

Film afternoon in school, watching a selected film of choice

#### Criteria to Attend

- 95%+ attendance for Term 4 **AND**
- Less than 10 behaviour points for Term 4

The dates for the challenge are:  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February → Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March



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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the February half term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support. We are now at the halfway point of Year 10, and I appreciate the effort both students and parents have put into making this a productive year so far.

### **Notices to put in your diaries**

- I would like to inform you that we will soon begin the first of three rounds of mock exams to ensure our students are well-prepared for their upcoming GCSEs. The first round will take place at the end of April, focusing on core subjects Maths, English and Science. These exams will be paused while the Year 11 students complete their GCSEs and we will resume later in the year with the remaining option subjects. The second and third rounds of mocks will take place in November and February of Year 11.
- We are planning a Thorpe Park trip for Year 10 students as part of Activities Day on the 21st July, during the last week of school. This will be our main trip, but there will also be other local events and activities available for students. I will be speaking with students to gauge their interest in the different options.
- I'd also like to remind parents that the Nepal trip last completed by Willingdon students in 2022 is still going ahead. There are a few places left, so if your child is interested, please contact me for further information.
- A huge well done to some students from 10MET, who successfully raised over £70 today through a sweet and cake sale. These funds will be donated to our £20.25 fundraising scheme.
- I'm pleased to announce that the Cambridge trip on Monday, 10th March, is now full. However, if additional spaces become available, I will inform students and parents as soon as possible.

Finally, congratulations to 10MJE, who are currently leading the attendance challenge and are on track to win a pizza party!

Wishing you all a restful and well-earned February half term. I look forward to returning refreshed and ready for the challenges of the new term.

Kind regards,

**Mr Roche**  
**Year 10 Team**

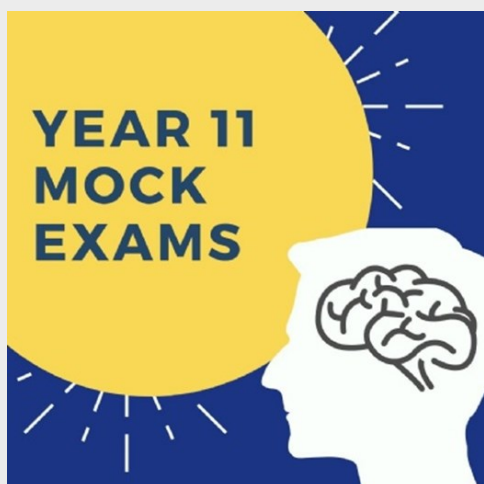




Head of Year  
Mr Gordon

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# Year 11



We would like to congratulate all Year 11 students for their hard work and dedication during the first week of mock exams. It has been fantastic to see the maturity and excellent attitude demonstrated by the students as they approached their exams with focus and determination. Student behaviour has been exemplary when entering the exam hall and during the exams.



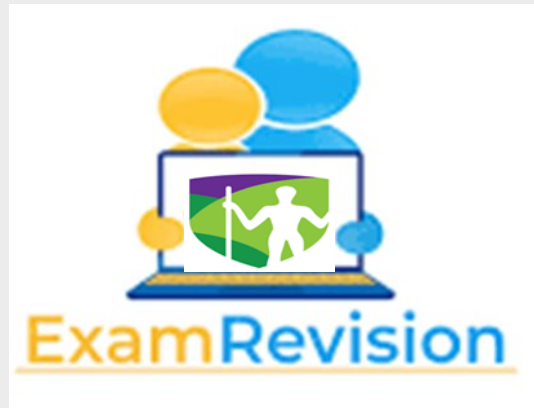
We would like to remind you that attendance during the mock exam period is of utmost importance. We expect all students to be present in school on the day of every exam. Any exams missed by student's will be rescheduled and taken during Week 3 of the exam period.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring your child is fully prepared for their exams and attends school as required.

Please find below a timetable for the remaining exams scheduled for the first two weeks back after the half term break.

Morning		<b>Year 11 Spring Mock Exams</b>		Afternoon	
24-Feb	English Lit Paper 1 1h 45m			Psychology 1h30m/ Further Maths 1h 45m	
25-Feb	Chemistry Triple 1h 45m/ Trilogy 1h15m			Geography 1h30m	
26-Feb	Maths Calc 1h 30m			Latin Civ 1h	
27-Feb	Physics Triple 1h 45m/ Trilogy 1h15m			French (W) & Spanish (W) 1h 15m H & 1h F	
28-Feb	Music 1H 15M				
03-Mar					
04-Mar	Spanish L&R H 1h 45m Spanish L&R F 1h 45m			French L&R 1h 45 m	
05-Mar					
06-Mar	Art all day			Art all day	

As we approach the second week of the Year 11 mock exams, we would like to take a moment to emphasise the importance of revision and effective exam preparation. This is a critical time for your child, and your support in ensuring they are prepared is invaluable.



Revision helps students reinforce the knowledge they have previously acquired, ensuring they are able to recall and apply key concepts when it matters in their mock exam. It can boost confidence, reduce their exam stress, and allows them to identify any gaps in their understanding before the actual mock exams take place.

**Key Tips for Successful Revision:**

- 1. Revision Timetable should be set up:** Encourage your child to set aside specific times for revision each day during half term. A structured routine ensures they cover all subjects and helps avoid last-minute cramming when they return to school.
- 2. Active Revision:** Rather than just reading through notes, engage in active revision techniques such as practice questions, flashcards, mind maps, or teaching the material to someone else. Parent support is valuable when using these methods.
- 3. Healthy Balance:** Remind your child to take regular breaks, eat well, and get plenty of sleep. Physical and mental health plays a key role in their mock exam success.
- 4. Ask for Help:** If your child feels unsure about any subject, encourage them to reach out to their teachers in person or via an email, or use additional resources such as revision guides or online materials.

Thank you for your continued support.

**The Year 11 Team**

Vaccination is one of the most successful Public Health interventions giving protection against potentially fatal diseases for the whole of our population.



Scan the QR code to go straight to the Td/IPV and MenACWY vaccination consent form.

**Immunisation Service**  
Brighton General Hospital  
Elm Grove  
Brighton  
BN2 3EW

**Any queries need to be directed to the Immunisations Service and NOT the school**

[SC-TR.imms-team@nhs.net](mailto:SC-TR.imms-team@nhs.net)

Dear Parent/Guardian

**Your child's Tetanus/Diphtheria/Polio (Td/IPV) and Meningitis ACWY (MenACWY) vaccinations are now due!**

The Immunisation Service are coming into school on **25<sup>th</sup> February 2025** to offer your child the **Td/IPV and MenACWY** vaccinations.

**For information about the Td/IPV and MenACWY vaccines and frequently asked questions visit:** [Td/IPV and MenACWY FAQs](#)

**Please complete a consent form for your child to say YES or NO for them to have these vaccines.**

*This must be completed by a Parent or Legal Guardian with Parental Responsibility*

Follow the steps below, **before the closing date and time**, which is at 11am, 3 working days before the school session date above. If you miss the cut off time, the consent form will reopen one working day after the session, enabling you to submit a form for your child to be offered the vaccination within one of our catch-up clinics.

1. Click on the following link: [TDIPV MenACWY Vaccination Consent Form](#) or scan the QR code above.
2. Enter the following school code **SX114592** and click 'Find School' - *School codes are unique to each school and site.*

**If you have any questions or need support to complete the consent form, please contact our friendly team: 01273 696011 x 4931**

If we have not received a completed consent form from you and your child presents themselves to the Immunisation Team during the school session to request vaccination, we may offer them the opportunity to consent for themselves. (Details in the FAQs).

Please note that if we do not receive either a YES or NO consent form, the immunisation team may contact you by email, phone or text to ask for your consent preference.

Yours sincerely

**Immunisation Clinical Service Manager**

**Closing date for these vaccinations is Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> February**



# Careers Page

## Job of the Week



### Mental Health Nurse

#### Day to day tasks:

In this role you could:

- Assess, support and build effective relationships with patients
- Identify when people are at risk and respond to those in distress
- Encourage patients to take part in therapies and social activities
- Provide physical care if a patient needs it
- Give medication, monitor its effect and update patient records

#### Mental Health Nurses

work in hospitals and the community, to support people with mental health issues.

#### Routes into the industry

You can get into this job through:

##### University

You can do a degree in:

- Mental health nursing approved by the Nursing and Midwifery Council
- Mental health nursing and social work
- You might be able to join the second year of a nursing degree if you already have a degree in: a health-related subject; psychology; life sciences; social work

##### Armed forces

You can also train as a mental health nurse in the armed forces.

##### Apprenticeship

You might be able to apply for a Registered Nurse Level 6 Degree Apprenticeship, if you work in a healthcare setting like a hospital.

#### Subjects

You'll usually need:

- 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A\* to C) and A levels, or equivalent, for a degree apprenticeship
- 2 or 3 A levels, including a science, or a level 3 diploma or access to higher education in health, science or nursing

#### Salary\*

£28,000 to £43,000

#### Jobs

There will be 3.8% more Mental Health Nurse jobs in 2027.

\*In 2020 the average salary was £31,461, up 3.6% on 2019.

Annual pay estimates are largely unaffected by Covid-19.



Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you of an exciting opportunity for our Year 10 students.

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March, there will be a careers fair at Eastbourne Sports Park which will allow students to meet with several further and higher educational establishments, as well as other training providers and businesses. There are no costs associated with this trip, and it has kindly been arranged by Ratton School.

Students will travel to Eastbourne Sports Park by coach for an hour slot during the day and they will be back before the end of the school day.

Some of the companies that are exhibiting at the fair are listed below.

Bexhill College	Edwards Vacuum
Brighton, Hove & Sussex Sixth Form (BHASVIC)	General Dynamics
BN1 Arts	Heathfield Community College
Brighter Horizons	Hydro Hotel
Brighton and Sussex Medical School	Job Centre Plus
Brighton Aldridge Community Academy	JTL Training
British & Irish Modern Music Institute (BIMM)	Knockhatch Adventure Park
Brighton University	Lewes Old Grammar School
Chestnut Tree House	Little Gate Supported Employment
Children with Cancer Fund	Plumpton College
Defiant Sports	Royal Air Force
De La Warr Pavillion	Royal Navy
Drusillas Park	Seaford Head Sixth Form
Eastbourne Borough Council	Sussex Police (Neighbourhood Policing)
East Sussex College Group	The British Army
East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust	3 Sided Cube
East Sussex School of Circus Arts	Wave Active

There are 90 spaces available, and it is therefore on a first come first served basis. Although the trip is free of charge, please could you still book via ParentPay where the cost of the trip will be set to zero. This will be live in ParentPay from **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February at approximately 9am.**

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Sarah Rooney  
Careers Adviser

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## TO ALL YEAR GROUPS

[Plumpton College Open Event - Saturday 29th March 2025 Tickets, Sat, Mar 29, 2025 at 9:00 AM | Eventbrite](#)



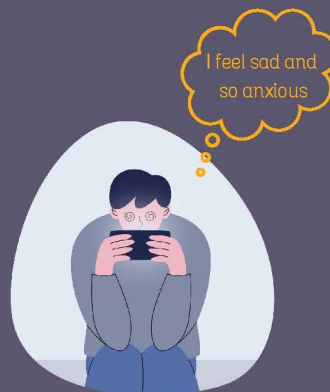
# FREE ONLINE COUNSELLING

YOUNG PEOPLE 12-18 LIVING IN  
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Are you a young person living in East Sussex who is struggling with low mood or anxiety? If so, you are not alone. E-motion provides a free, confidential, and accessible online counselling service.\*



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Any students that would like to book an appointment with Mrs Rooney, Careers Adviser, can email: [srooney@willingdonschool.org.uk](mailto:srooney@willingdonschool.org.uk) or visit the Careers office.

You can find out more about:

- \* Further education (college courses/grades required)
- \* Higher education (universities/degrees)
- \* Apprenticeships
- \* Career pathways
- \* Interview skills
- \* Personal statements, CVs & cover letters



**The Friends of Willingdon**

PRESENTS

**THE  
2025  
CHALLENGE**

WE ARE ASKING ALL STUDENTS TO TRY AND  
RAISE £20.25 – HOWEVER THEY CAN!

**RAISE  
£20.25**

**£5 VOUCHER TO THE FIRST  
IN EACH YEAR TO COMPLETE  
THE CHALLENGE!**

**How can you raise £20.25?  
sponsored bike ride, walk, swim. Bake  
sale, car washing? Its up to you!**

**All money is to be in by  
Thursday 3rd April. Prize draw to  
take place week commencing 22nd  
April**

**Completed the challenge?**

**You'll be entered into our prize draw after Easter to win:**

**£200 Merlin Voucher**

**£100 One4all Voucher**

**£50 one4all Voucher**



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If students choose to take on a sponsored challenge, Friends of Willingdon have provided a Sponsor Form, attached.