

■ SCHOLARLY SUCCESS

A record year of success is being celebrated at **Skippers Hill Manor Preparatory School** in Five Ashes, near Mayfield, with half of its Year 8 students being awarded scholarships to independent secondary schools. Nine Year 8 students achieved academic, art or sport scholarships to renowned schools such as Claremont, Kent College, Fettes College, Buckswood and Bede's. The group included twins Gabriella and Jessica Leach, who both won sports scholarships to Brighton

College. Plus, Year 6 pupil Thomas Frost was awarded a sports scholarship to Battle Abbey.

The non-selective, co-educational



school was recently featured in the *Sunday Times* Top 100 Prep School List.

Headmaster Tim Lewis says: "We are so proud of all our leavers. They have worked exceptionally hard and truly deserve this success. This has been an outstanding year for scholarships, which is a testament to the dedication and commitment to not only our pupils, but parents and staff across all areas of school life. We wish all our leavers the best of luck with the next phase of their education – they all have exceptionally bright futures."