

# Year 8

## Supporting your child through the year



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**Our vision is that all students leave Imberhorne School as caring, confident, reflective and resilient individuals with a thirst for learning which lasts throughout their lives.**

**We will enable all young people, regardless of background, to achieve the highest possible standards of academic excellence, personal conduct and responsibility, whilst they enjoy an enriching and fulfilling preparation for life in the modern world.**

**Our students will have *the sharpest minds and the kindest hearts.***





## Be Ready

- Arrive at lessons on time
- Have all the equipment you need to learn
- Maintain a positive attitude to learning



## Show Respect

- Be polite and kind in your interactions with others, respecting them and their property
- Move around our school safely and sensibly



## Have Pride

- Wear our school uniform correctly
- Be a good role model for our school
- Look after our school eg. Don't drop litter



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# Behaviour Principles – *Be Ready*

- Attend school and lessons on time
- Correct equipment – every lesson, every day
- Contribute – ask and answer questions
- Try your best to understand and follow all instructions
- READ...READ....READ



# Behaviour Principles – *Show Respect*

- Be courteous, polite and kind in all interactions
- Listen carefully to instructions every time
- Move around school safely and sensibly
- Show understanding, tolerance and empathy



# Behaviour Principles – *Have Pride*

- Wear school uniform correctly
- Complete all class and homework to the best of your ability
- Present your work clearly and neatly
- Speak appropriately to all members of the school community
- Represent your class, year group, team, school
- Make the most of every opportunity



# Focus for Year 8

- Good habits and high expectations
- The importance of literacy
- Attendance
- Whole year group residential



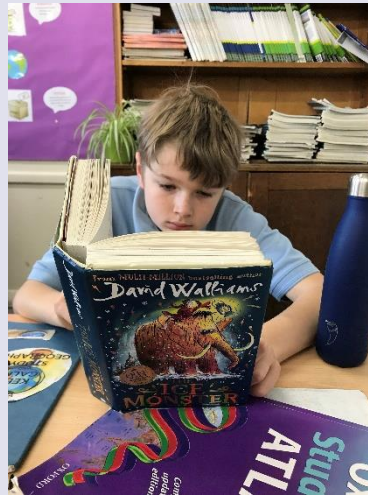


- “The best moments in reading are when you come across something – a thought, a feeling, a way of looking at things – that you’d thought special, particular to you. And here it is, set down by someone else, a person you’ve never met, maybe even someone long dead. And it’s as if a hand has come out, and taken yours.”
- Alan Bennett, *The History Boys*



# Benefits of Reading – The Reading Agency

- Supports and develops attainment across the curriculum including numeracy and mathematics
- Knowledge of other cultures
- Motivation to learn
- Relatedness
- Empathy
- Social and cultural capital
- Emotional Intelligence
- Relaxation



- Self expression
- Knowledge of self/self identity
- Creativity and imagination
- Reduced depressive symptoms
- Enjoyment
- escapism
- Self esteem
- Communication skills



Three factors that are crucial for the promotion of reading for pleasure: ensuring that there is adequate access to books; parents taking a proactive role in encouraging reading for pleasure and teachers providing guidance and encouragement.

The Reading Agency  
Literature Review: The impact of reading for pleasure and empowerment



# Ways to support reading with your secondary age child:

- Talk about books, news articles, etc.
- Recommend books to your child – and read their recommendations.
- Listen to your child read sometimes – they might want to pick their favourite part of their book to share, a part they found funny, or moving, or difficult to comprehend.
- Read to your child.
- Encourage the use of the library – this will support our joint efforts to encourage your child to extend the range of texts they read. They should step outside of their comfort zones!



# In school...

- Students will Drop Everything and Read daily!
- Use Accelerated Reader to identify reading age as well as areas of strength and development.
- Be supported by a staff who love and promote reading.
- Have regular access to library in a fortnightly library lesson in English.
- Have access to the library where they can choose from a wide range of texts, and where their recommendations and requests are listened to.



# Assessment and Reporting

- Progress Report: 25<sup>th</sup> November
- Year 8 Consultation Evening: 9<sup>th</sup> March
- Year 8 Tutor Report: 9<sup>th</sup> June





# Pastoral Support

- Head of Year & Pastoral Support
- Form tutor is the first point of contact.
- Rewards & Celebration  
Merits, Praise Emails and Imberstar!



# Homework Club

## Lunchtimes

Every lunchtime in  
Room 31

## After School

Thursdays





# Attendance

**THERE ARE 175 NON SCHOOL DAYS  
A YEAR**

100% - 96%	GOOD	Best chance of success
Under 95%	WORRYING	Less chance of success 55% will achieve 5 9-4 grades
Under 90%	SERIOUS CONCERN	Very difficult to succeed Lesson that 40% will achieve 5 9-4 grades



# National Data for Attendance

<b>96% - 100% Attendance</b>	<b>84%</b> achieved Grade 4+ in both English and Maths
<b>94% - 90% Attendance</b>	<b>55%</b> achieved Grade 4+ in both English and Maths
<b>Below 90% Attendance</b>	<b>35%</b> achieved Grade 4+ in both English and Maths

The higher the percentage of sessions missed across KS4

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The lower the level of attainment at the end of the KS4



# How Attendance Links to Success

Attendance	5 or more 4+ including English and Maths <b>Imberhorne Pattern</b>
95%+	80%
90% - 94.9%	50%
Less than 90%	10%



# La grande découverte 2023

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- The trip is open to all in Year 8.
- There are 2 trips; one for each half of the year group.
- It is a 3-day trip (either 26<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> June or 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> June).
- We will travel by coach and either ferry or Eurotunnel and will have the use of the coach throughout the trip.



# 3\* Hotel du Moulin aux Draps Near Desvres in Northern France







# Lots of different activities..

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# Nausicaa...

## Europe's biggest aquarium





# A trip to a boulangerie



# A visit to a snail farm





# The chance to explore the old town in Boulogne



# A visit to the war graves cemetery at Etaples





# A trip to a local market to buy lunch



**The trip will cost £350 payable in monthly installments.**

**Everything is included in this cost except a little spending money for souvenirs etc.**

**Passport required**

**Financial support may be available**

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