



WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

IMBERHORNE SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mr Lee Walker

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*The cornerstones of our
learning community*

7th October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a pleasure to welcome families from Year 6 to Imberhorne School each morning this week for tours of the school. Our students were their guides, and they were superb ambassadors for the school. Those who visited praised their knowledge, warmth and enthusiasm. My sincere thanks to all of those students who represented Imberhorne so well. We will ensure they have the appropriate recognition for their efforts.

I have also continued to visit lessons as often as I can. This week I have heard from highly enthusiastic Year 12 students about the subjunctive in Spanish, observed some terrific discussion about methods of persuasion in Year 12 English and improved my knowledge of circuits in GCSE Electronics. It is great to see such engagement from students and passion from staff.

This week our students have been involved in Geography Field trips to London, a Drama trip to see *Dear Evan Hansen* in the West End and various sporting fixtures. Our Year 9 football team beat Oathall 5-3 yesterday. Students also took part in the Duke of Edinburgh practice expedition last weekend. My sincere thanks to the staff involved in planning and running these activities. I know they are highly valued by our students – a superb opportunity to experience something new, sharpen their minds and develop their skills.

Attendance

Good attendance is essential for students to get the most out of their school experience. Good attendance improves results, wellbeing, and wider life chances. Student attendance is directly linked to success at school – with significantly higher results for those with higher rates of attendance.

- Students not achieving grade 9 to 4 in English and Maths – had an attendance of 91%
- Students achieving grade 9 to 4 in English and Maths – had an attendance of 95%
- Students achieving at least Grade 5 in English and Maths – had an attendance of 96%

Securing the best attendance you can for your child throughout their time in school is critical. **We will always support you in this** – please contact the Pastoral Support team for your child's year group (email details [here](#)) if you have any concerns or questions about attendance.

Supporting your child through Year 11 – Thursday 13th October

This event is for all Year 11 Parents and Carers. We will provide you with detailed information and guidance on how to support your child through the year ahead – including study skills, revision techniques, managing stress, supporting your child with SEN and understanding the demands of Vocational Qualifications. In addition, there will be talks and the opportunity to meet staff informally and ask questions. Please book your place [here](#)

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Extra-curricular opportunities

It is terrific to see so many students benefitting from the clubs and activities on offer. If your child has not yet joined a club or activity, please encourage them to make the most of these opportunities. They are ideal for relieving stress, learning a new skill, meeting different people and just having fun. The list showing what's on, when and where can be found [here](#)

Word of the Week

jockey	verb	to act trickily; seek an advantage by trickery
Her constant jockeying for position annoyed everyone she met.		

Yours faithfully

Mr L Walker
Headteacher

What's coming up...

Key dates for your diary



Week 7A

Mon 10th	Y12 Performing Arts Performance
Tues 11th	Duke of Edinburgh - Parents' Briefing
Wed 12th	Y11 Sussex Safer Roads Presentation
Thurs 13th	Y11 Support Your Child Through Year 11 Event
Fri 14th	Y9 Personal Development Production

Week 8B History Challenge Fortnight

Mon 17th	
Tues 18th	Y11 English and Maths Mock Exams
Wed 19th	Y8 & 10 Parents' Essential Information Evening Y11 Geography Field Trip
Thur 20th	Y11 Geography Field Trip
Fri 21st	Y11 progress Reports Published