



WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

IMBERHORNE SCHOOL

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10th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

This has been a busy week of visiting lessons, undertaking mock interviews with students applying to Oxford or Cambridge, meeting Year 11 students for their Futures interviews and hearing about the plans for Duke of Edinburgh Bronze, Silver and Gold challenges in the year ahead. I saw some incredibly professional looking pizzas being made, heard a discussion on utilitarianism, and quizzed a range of students about their future plans. It is always an absolute privilege and pleasure to experience the rich and varied curriculum your children have at Imberhorne first hand.

We are looking forward to welcoming families to our Sixth Form Open Evening on Thursday. You can visit between 4.30 and 7.30 to experience for yourselves the array of subjects available in Year 12 and 13, the superb pastoral care and wide-ranging extra-curricular opportunities on offer. Please remember that next Thursday is a compressed day and will finish for students at 2.30pm.

Travel arrangements have been made as follows for students who catch school coaches/buses and taxis:

- School coach service **903, 905, E579** and all taxis/minibuses are able to collect students at their relevant sites at 2.30pm.
- The following Metrobus services will also run their usual route: **638, 643, 648, 281** at this time. Please note that the **624 and 84 services cannot operate at 2.30pm** and will therefore run as a normal school day finish.
- Southdown PSV service **236** service will run at its normal scheduled time at 3.15pm as there is not an earlier service available to Lingfield/Dormansland.

Parents/carers are also welcome to collect their son/daughter if they wish at 2.30pm.

If your child is in Key Stage 3, they will have completed their STAR reading test and will be accessing the library at Windmill Lane during an English lesson to read and take quizzes on Accelerated Reader. They can also complete these quizzes at home via the school [website](#). This is an excellent scheme which enables students to read a novel and then earn points for their form by successfully completing a quiz once they have finished. Please encourage your child, whether they are in Key Stage 3 or higher up the school, to develop a 'reading habit' – to take time each day to read their library book and to talk to you about what they are reading. This pays huge dividends in the future – for their academic success, employability and to widen their appreciation of the world.

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Imberhorne Equestrian Team go from strength to strength

Congratulations to Abbie Emery, Harley Clemente, Libby Webber and Darcy Deloughery who competed last weekend at the NSEA regional qualifying event and won the 80cm show jumping class and qualified for county championships at Hickstead next year. Each rider put in strong performances in their individual classes too. We are so proud of this team, who continue to hold their own against some of the top riders in the country. Well done everyone!

Live Parent Webinar: How You Can Help Improve Your Child's Memory

Tuesday 14th November 6:00-7:00pm

We know that there's much more to exams than memorisation – having a solid understanding of the content is crucial to securing good results. If parents can help with memorising content at home, students can make the most of their time in the classroom by developing that understanding with their teachers. This free live webinar on memory aims to facilitate that by equipping you with research-backed techniques that can improve recall and aid in revision.

Click the link below to register for free:

<https://go.elevateeducation.com/e/891981/uk-schoolwebinar/a4p6x/646315965/h/SPxNtllKdRHOC5K5VFZXPWnRUffKVMYRramIII-RMcY>

Uniform reminder

We have made some slight changes to our expectations about outdoor wear. Students may wear coats when traveling to and from lessons, walking in the corridor, queuing to buy food or on the way outside / inside of the building. They are not permitted to wear hoodies (except Imberhorne hoodies), ¼ zips, or tech fleeces anywhere on the school premises. Coats must not be worn inside classrooms, toilets, meeting rooms, offices, wet break/wet lunch break areas, or while students are sitting in the canteen.

We will be outlining these expectations next week in assemblies. I would be grateful if you could speak to your child about this so that they understand these expectations.

Word of the week

phenomenon	noun	Any state or process known through the senses
This phenomenon is best seen through a telescope in the night sky.		

Yours faithfully

Mr Lee Walker
Headteacher

Attached: Key Dates 11B & 12A