

Compassion Achievement Respect Endeavour

The cornerstones of our learning community

27th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

The kindest hearts...

From time to time we hear of the actions of students who, by their kind and considerate actions, have embodied our shared values. Last week, one student noticed that a senior citizen on his bus had become confused and disorientated as she got off outside the school. He offered his help, speaking to her to check she was OK, and deciding to bring her into the school reception so she could be safe and warm. He also came back to Reception at the end of the day to check that she had been taken care of and managed to get home. We received the following message from this lady's daughter:

I just wanted to say thank you again to the student who was so kind and caring to my elderly Mum who turned up confused at your school on Wednesday morning. This student showed concern and compassion (beyond his years) for my Mum and made sure she got into a safe place. What a lovely young lad. He is a credit to the school and his parents

As you know, we want our students to have **the sharpest minds and the kindest hearts.** This was a perfect example of a young person living up to that expectation, and I could not be prouder of how he conducted himself that morning.

Educational Opportunities – Lifelong Memories

Currently, 44 Key Stage 4 students are visiting Paris. They have a busy schedule including a walking tour of key historic and cultural sites, a cruise on the River Seine, and visit to Disneyland Paris. At Half Term, 60 students and 6 staff will set off for the Imberhorne Ski Trip to Saalbach in Austria. I went to both pre-trip parents' meetings and was delighted to hear about the range of opportunities planned. These trips are such an important part of school life, and I know the memories created will last a lifetime.

Holocaust Memorial Day

Assemblies this week have marked Holocaust Memorial Day. This takes place on 27th January each year and remembers the millions of people murdered during the Holocaust, under Nazi Persecution and in other mass genocides. Year 12 engaged in a morning of commemoration on Thursday, firstly hearing from two Year 13 students who shared their experience of their visit to Auschwitz with the Holocaust Memorial Project. They then joined a live webcast with holocaust survivor, Ruth Posner BEM.

Visit from Mims Davies MP and Cllr Rex Whittaker

The Rt Hon Mims Davies MP and Councillor Rex Whittaker visited Imberhorne this Friday afternoon. Mims Davies spoke to Sixth Form students who study Politics A-Level, followed by a tour around the Upper School. Thank you to the staff involved in organising this opportunity for our students, and to Mims Davies and Rex Whittaker for their visit.

Inset Day

A reminder that next Monday (30 January) is a staff training day, and students will not be in school.









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ELEVATE – free webinar for all parents and carers (7th February)

Thank you to those who attended the Elevate Education webinar on note making last week. The next webinar focuses on memory, and will take place on TUESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY at 6pm. Please see details below:

How to Help Improve Your Child's Memory

In this webinar, you will learn about:

How memory actually works (and how it has nothing to do with brain capacity)

The most effective environments to assist in memorisation

✓ 3 techniques you can implement overnight to improve revision

Click here to register for free

Sussex Health and Care – mental health and emotional wellbeing survey

Please see the attached flyer from WSCC promoting a survey produced by Sussex Health & Care aiming to inform the planning and improvement of children and young people's mental health and emotional wellbeing services in Sussex. Families who have accessed mental health or emotional wellbeing treatment or support in Sussex are encouraged to give views on their experiences to help the Integrated Care System plan and improve. Please note that this survey closes **Tuesday 31 January 2023**.

Current vacancies

We have a number of vacancies -

<u>Here</u> is a link to our website where you will find further detail on these roles and the application documents under the heading recruitment.

Word of the Week

oblivious	adjective	Not aware of what is happening around you
He was completely oblivious to her presence in the room.		

Yours faithfully

Mr Lee Walker Headteacher