



WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

IMBERHORNE SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mr Lee Walker

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learning community*

20th October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Firstly this week, I want to congratulate our 'Imberstar' winners. Staff nominate students who have demonstrated praiseworthy activities across the whole of the half term for the Imberstar Award, and Heads of Year choose the 10 students from those who have received the most nominations. There are Imberhorne-themed prizes, skip the queue passes and vouchers for our school canteen as rewards, along with the presentation of a certificate marking the achievement. I met each of the award winners during tutor time and it was a real pleasure to share in their successes.

I am extremely proud of the way our students have responded to the heightened behaviour standards this half term. For every negative behaviour point so far this term, 5 positive points have been awarded. This shows how well the vast majority conduct themselves in school. Well done to all students who have received a praise email, phone call home, certificate celebrating the number of merits they have secured, or a reward for representing the school. Well done to those who have represented the school so well in sports teams, the Maths Challenge, as ambassadors in trips and events or in the many other ways our students shine. I am so proud of them.

The Half Term Ahead

Please can I ask you speak to your child about the following points before they return to school following the Half Term break.

- Students must not wear non-Imberhorne hoodies or any jumpers other than school uniform ones on the school site. As the weather is getting colder, students should wear a coat rather than these items.
- Punctuality to lessons will be a key focus after half term – we will be supporting students to make positive choices through punctuality reports where necessary.
- They should use their planner to record homework rather than relying on Bromcom. It is so important for students to write down what they need to do so they can take responsibility for their own 'to do' list.
- Students who travel by bike should always wear a helmet, make sure their lights are working and take extra care in wet and icy conditions.

Sixth Form Open Evening

This takes place on Thursday 16th November from 4.30-7.30pm. Year 11 parents and students can find out from our subject specialists about the courses we run in Years 12 and 13, the different progression options there are and what life is like as a Sixth Form student here. There are two opportunities to hear from staff and students in our presentations at 5.15pm and 6.15pm in our Sixth Form Common Room - please reserve your seats here: <https://tinyurl.com/imbersixth>. We look forward to welcoming you.

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Sporting News

Well done to:

- Our U12 girls football team who defeated Hove Park 3-2 in the County Cup.
- The Year 8 netball team who came 3rd in the Versatility Tournament at Downlands School (only missing out on 2nd place by 1 goal).
- In the Sussex Schools Team Cross Country Event at Waterhall in Brighton where there were standout performances from Elsie Whyman who came second in the Inter-Girls event and Oliver Maranzano who came 4th in the Inter-Boys event. Oliver also came 3rd in the recent U15 district event whilst racing for his club, and Elsie is currently 5th in the Pan-Sussex League and has therefore qualified for the upcoming Inter-County event. Congratulations to both for these hugely impressive achievements.
- Our U12 boys football team who beat Sackville 5-3 on penalties, and have also defeated Burgess Hill Academy (7-2) and Oathall (6-0)
- Our U19 footballers won 9-2 against Brighton Met College
- The U14 football team secured a 2-0 win against Downlands and a 2-2 draw with Sackville.

Year 11 Progress Reports

A reminder that progress reports for Year 11 will now be published on Friday November 3rd, rather than Monday October 30th as published in the calendar. This will mean that the results from the English and Maths mocks can be included in the report grades for those subjects.

School Uniform Supplies

Our school uniform supplier, SWI Schoolwear is offering 20% off everything between **16th October 2023 - 22nd October 2023**. If you need to top up on any uniform or P.E kit items or need a refresh on your everyday essentials and stationery, you may like to take advantage of this deal. Use code **DEAL20** at checkout. www.swischoolwear.co.uk

FREE webinars – supporting young people with their mental health

Sussex CAMHS and Partner Organisations are offering a rolling programme of webinars for parents and carers who are supporting children and young people with their mental health. Each webinar will be available at two different times, once during the day (10am) and once in the evening (7pm) to make it as easy as possible for people to attend.

The following topics for the workshops have been confirmed for the rest of this term:

8th November 2023	Building Self-Esteem and Resilience
13th December 2023	Depression
17th January 2024	Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD)

To book a ticket, please go to this Ticketlab page: [Sussex CAMHS Parent/Carer Webinars | TICKETLAB](#). Contact Sussex CAMHS Participation Team (CAMHSParticipationTeam@spft.nhs.uk) with any questions.

Word of the Week

gesture	noun	a movement of part of the body, especially a hand or the head, to express an idea or meaning.
The boy made a gesture to show that he agreed.		

I hope that you have an enjoyable Half Term,

Yours faithfully

Mr Lee Walker
Headteacher