



# CONTACT

Imberhorne School

Compassion

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Endeavour

11th - 25th Mar 2019

The cornerstones of our learning community

**T**hank you for taking the time to see what's been happening around school for the last fortnight and catching up with the latest messages that we think you might find useful.

Non uniform day on 15th March raised a phenomenal £2194.23 for Comic Relief. We would like to thank everyone for their support with these special days that benefit our wider community. Supporting others is a message we reinforce at Imberhorne and our students do it admirably with each other every day.

## Local Professionals Inspire our Students in Careers Speed Dating Event

Windmill Lane was buzzing with the excitement of our annual Careers Speed Dating event on 25th March as Year 9 students inquisitively posed questions and then took guesses at what the occupations of our visiting volunteers were.

We were overwhelmed by the support of local professionals for this event that aims to broaden understanding of the job market. It is important that our students start to think about the skills and interests that lead one down a natural and potentially exciting career path.



Occupations included; Architect, Beauty Therapist, Police Detective, Occupational Therapist, Care Home Manager, Copywriter, Engineer, Researcher/Geophysicist and Mechanical Engineer, Funeral Director, Social Responsibility Coordinator, Midwife, School Liaison Officer, Builder, Town Mayor, Make Up Artist, Close Protection Officer/Bodyguard, Manufacturing Operations Director & Travel Agent.

We would like to thank all of our visitors for giving up their time to help our students start to consider the many opportunities that exist in the workplace. It was wonderful to see so many of the professionals were our own parents and ex students! This is just one of the events and activities that Imberhorne offer as part of our 'Careers Education'. For a full summary of what we offer across the years, please visit our summary on the school website: <http://www.imberhorne.co.uk/sites/default/files/Careers%20summary%202018.pdf>



# Karate Kickers, Plastic Problems and Charity Champions

BBC Young Reporter is an exciting opportunity for young people to get involved with the BBC, a chance to tell the stories that matter to them.

Formerly the BBC School Report, this is something Imberhorne have worked with students on for many years now. Providing our young enthusiasts with the skills they need to create and understand the media.

The project is backed by the likes of Huw Edwards, Tina Daheley, Steph McGovern and Alex Jones. It is led at Imberhorne by our very own English teacher and ex journalist, Miss J Hughes who expertly guided our team of Year 8s through the process of scripting, filming and editing to tight timescales.

The students chose the stories they wanted to cover, including our two GB Karate stars and their journeys, our plight to reduce plastics and the charity work.



Well done to the team who worked hard and thoroughly enjoyed the day - please visit our website to view their reports:

<http://www.imberhorne.co.uk/bbcnewsreport>



# Calm Countdown to Exams and Assessment at Imberhorne #4 & #5 (and some useful tips for parents too)

## CALM COUNTDOWN TO SUCCESS #4

### #4 LACKING MOTIVATION?

Try to think about what the effort is for, why you are revising, why you are learning

If you keep coming back to why you are doing something - what the end game is, it's amazing how you find the drive to keep going



## CALM COUNTDOWN TO SUCCESS #5

# NOW IS THE TIME!

1 hour a day over 8 days is far more effective than 8 hours in 1 day when it comes to exam preparation.

Please start now, leaving it until the last minute doesn't get the best outcomes.



We would like to remind all Year 11 parents/carers/students that details of all our GCSE revision classes that run at lunch times and after school for Year 11s are now on the revision page of our website.

### Revision Page

<http://www.imberhorne.co.uk/content/revision>

### GCSE Revision Guide 2019

<http://www.imberhorne.co.uk/sites/default/files/2019%20REVISION%20GUIDE%20for%20website.pdf>

# #HotChocFri

Congratulations to our Key Stage 4 #HotChocFri winners who enjoyed their mug of hot chocolate and a chat with the Headteacher, Mr Brown on 15th March. These students were awarded the treat because of their continued effort, positive attitude, resilience and endeavour. Well done!

## Year 10

Amy Hughes & Owen Peel

## Year 11

Benjamin Paton & Olivia Spellward



## Clova and Johannes Crowned Musicians of the Year 2019

The annual Key Stage 4 Musician of the Year event was held in the Di Gasson theatre on March 21st. The event has been running for a number of years now and has become somewhat of a school tradition that the whole school community looks forward to. The judges this year were made up of musical members of Imberhorne staff Mr Jones, Mr Conroy and Mr Watson, guided by members of the music department Mr Davis and Miss Hands.

Judges were tasked with the incredibly tough job of awarding the 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes in the categories of Vocal and Instrumental performances. With an eclectic and fantastic range of young talent on display from both Year 10 and Year 11, this was always going to be an exceptionally difficult job.

The stage was set and every single one of the performers were remarkable. For some, it was the first time they had performed in public but you would never have known. The atmosphere was electric and it was lovely to see such a large and hugely supportive audience.

Judges were looking for technical control, accuracy, projection and engagement. After some deliberation and musical interludes from our resident Sixth Form band as-well as last year's competition winners, it was time for the presentations.

### Vocal

1st Clova Silva

2nd Emily Errol

3rd Molly Hall

### Instrumental

1st Johannes Kool (Trumpet)

2nd Lily Shannon (Flute)

3rd Matthew Mitchell-Heggs (Guitar)



Leader of learning for Music, Mr Davis said 'this event is always a highlight of the musical calendar. I am so proud of all of our performers and, as ever, I'm completely blown away by the sheer amount of musical talent we have at the school. It was a fantastic and thoroughly enjoyable evening for all involved'.



Imberhorne School's Tanzania and school fundraising committee presents:

**£10 per person**

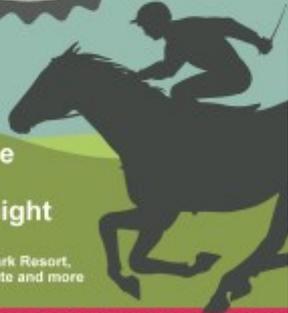
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**SOCIAL EVENING**  
**RACE NIGHT WITH FISH 'N' CHIP SUPPER**

**Friday**  
**29 March**  
**7:30pm**

- ⊗ Imberhorne Lane
- ⊗ Licensed bar
- ⊗ 8 races on the night
- ⊗ Silent auction

Exciting lots from Lingfield Park Resort, Crowne Plaza, Kingscote Estate and more



**BOOK NOW:** Places are limited, so book early to avoid disappointment. Email [phattam@imberhorne.co.uk](mailto:phattam@imberhorne.co.uk) to reserve tickets or to book a table of 8

Can't make the event but still want to support us? You can donate online at [virginmoneygiving.com](http://virginmoneygiving.com) (type 'Imberlink' into the search bar). Thank you!

# EVENT SOLD OUT!

We are delighted this event has now sold out. Thank you for your support, we are really looking forward to seeing everyone there. Don't forget you can still bid on any of our auction items.

See below for details.

Many of you tell us that you can't make our fund raisers but would still like to offer support throughout the year. A reminder that you can donate regular or one off payments to our Imberlink charity page:

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/charity-web/charity/finalCharityHomepage.action?charityId=1003924>

**If you wish to bid on any of our fantastic auction items that we have on offer at this event, please email your bid to us:**

**[phattam@imberhorne.co.uk](mailto:phattam@imberhorne.co.uk)**

**Lingfield Park Resort - 4 Race Day Entry Tickets  
 OR 2 Panoramic Trackside Restaurant tickets (£160)**

**Chequer Mead - 2 tickets - Bon Jovi Experience 21 Sep**

**La Pagode Acupuncture consultation & treatment**

**Hever Castle - 2 tickets to the castle and gardens**

**Crowne Plaza - 6 tickets - Spice Girls Tribute 18 May**

**CACI Synergy Non-surgical Face Lift**

**Be Moore - 2 wks unlimited Jubilee Ctr Pilates Classes**

**Chartham Park 4 Ball - Midweek**

# Our Fortnight in Pictures

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Mr Andy Yule, Governor and expert on GPS gave our 4th university style Masterclass on 11th March



Y7 Science stars had the opportunity to visit Hurstmonceux Observatory on 19th March to enjoy the hands-on science discovery



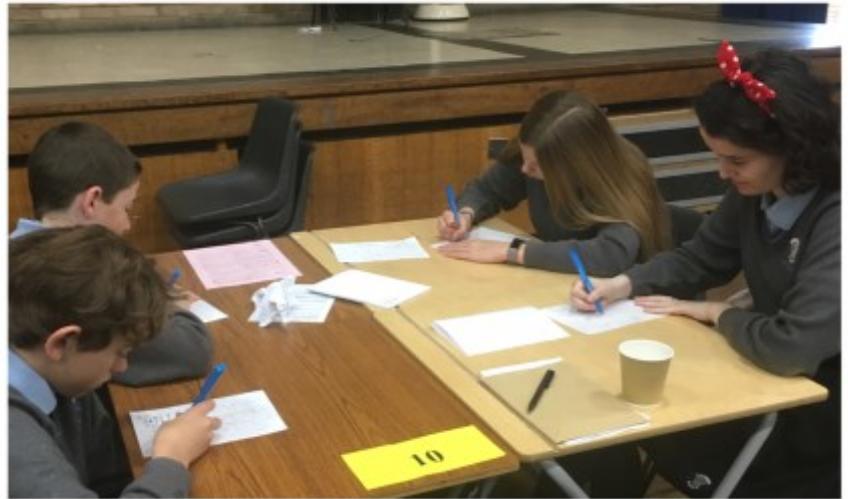
PC Sam Tichband was in school on 14th March supporting our Year 9 Relationships and Sex Information day. He was delivering sessions on the law, consent and safety to our students.

# Our Fortnight in Pictures

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Local builder and ex student AJ Norton spent 21st March with Y9 students, building brick planters at WL



Students from Y8 & 9 travelled to Holy Trinity School on 6th March where they took part in a Maths Team Challenge. Competing against 20 other schools, mostly private and grammar, they did really well and came 14th.



Thermo Fisher Scientific visited our Y10 Science students to run microbiology workshops on 19th & 21st March. Students prepared plates using an Automated Inoculation Machine which is used to look at the effectiveness of different antibiotics against specific bacteria. They were also shown, and had a go at, using a dry spot test kit that can be used to detect specific bacteria such as E. Coli. The Thermo Fisher staff were fantastic and spoke to the students about their qualifications and career paths too.



# Homework

Mr M Conroy  
Deputy Headteacher



## Homework Setting

Homework may be viewed in several ways

- Via 'Outlook' in school or by logging in via Remote Access
- Via a smartphone/tablet that has been 'synced' to school full instructions to do this are here: [http://www.imberhorne.co.uk/online-services-documentation?field\\_online\\_service\\_tid=36&field\\_operating\\_system\\_tid=All](http://www.imberhorne.co.uk/online-services-documentation?field_online_service_tid=36&field_operating_system_tid=All)
- Via Sims Parent app

Homework, or 'learning at home' is a really important part of a student's education. Recent research by the Education Endowment Foundation suggests that in over just one year, students can make five months' additional progress if they apply themselves diligently to independent work outside of the classroom.

On a basic level it improves student knowledge as working at home is an opportunity to practise what has been learnt in lessons.

However, homework is far more than that. It makes what is taught in the class relevant. Importantly, it gives students the chance to explore the subject independently, allowing them to take responsibility for their own learning.

More recently, teachers are utilising an approach called "flipped learning" where the work done at home will prepare the students for the learning in lessons that is to come. This is a very powerful technique which ensures that the time our students spend with their teachers, who are the subject experts, is maximised.

Study skills and revision skills are taught in school and should then be practised at home. Therefore it is often that the skills that students are developing and embedding, are as important as the completing the tasks set.

Deadlines can have a positive effect on the future development of students. Not only do they encourage students to use their time wisely, they promote self-discipline and good habits that will be important later in life. The home school connection is improved through home learning too. Homework encourages parents to get involved with their child's learning and what they're doing at school and encourages parents to spark their child's enthusiasm.

# Assembly Aims & Attendance Advice

Mr D Jones, Assistant Headteacher, presented assemblies focused on some of the great work that takes place both at home in the UK and abroad by Comic Relief in the week of 11th March. He acknowledged that all charities rely on fundraising, but the assemblies also focused on the crucial aspect of people giving their time and volunteering.

Mr Jones shared many examples of Imberhorne staff who volunteer for various local projects or national charities. Hopefully some students will be inspired to volunteer themselves if they are not doing so already, which we know many of our students are.



In the week of 18th March, Mrs Timson, Assistant Headteacher, focused her assemblies on our ability to help others. Students were asked to think about someone who is their “go to” person when they need help and to consider the characteristics of that person. What makes them so special? She shared three inspirational stories from young people, Ella Madgwick, Max Johnson and Omar Sharif, who despite their own personal difficulties are helping other people and changing lives.

## Q. What can I do to encourage my child to have excellent attendance?

A.

- ❑ Create good routines for mornings so that your child can arrive punctually, this will also mean your mornings can start calmly too.
- ❑ Read all school communications.
- ❑ Attend school information evenings and functions.
- ❑ Check your child understands their homework and that it has been completed.
- ❑ Share any education concerns your child or you may have with the appropriate member of school staff.
- ❑ Try to make medical/dental appointments out of school hours.

Your child will learn the importance of education and it's value within your family. This can have a lifelong effect.

## School Attendance Matters!



# SPORTS NEWS



## Fixtures

### U12 Football - 13th March

**Imberhorne 5 V Patcham High 2**

**Player of the Match: Jacob Todman**

“Imberhorne’s Year 7 Football team keep marching on winning the County Cup Semi Final. 5 goals came from Jacob Todman who was supplied throughout the match by the whole team. We had a good performance in the first half with a mixture of passing moves and direct play. In the second half we struggled and Patcham scored to make it 3-2. In the final 10 minutes we were able to counter attack when Patcham pressed for an equalising goal. Their defence never managed to get to grips with Jacob up front and a Brighton Academy scout approached him after the game!”

Mr Celani



### U13 Netball - 15th March

**Imberhorne 9 v Sackville 1**

**Player of the Match - Elizabeth Curtis**

“Imberhorne showed great dominance from the very start, with great movement and passing throughout. They demonstrated fantastic teamwork and communication and were in control during all four quarters of the match” Mrs Pritchard



### U12 Netball - 14th March

**Imberhorne 7 v Sackville 7**

**Player of the Match: Chestha Doorga**

“A great friendly game of Netball at Sackville. Both Imberhorne and Sackville worked hard, showing solid passing and shooting throughout. A very close and exciting game between the two schools, concluding a draw: 7-7”

Mrs Pritchard



# SPORTS NEWS



## Fixtures

### U12 Rugby - 12th March

“We played mixed teams from Christ’s Hospital. Our A team won and the B team unfortunately lost, but the matches were played in brilliant spirits and focused on students playing and enjoying themselves. The teams made new friends, enjoyed the teas afterwards and thanked our hosts for a good afternoon” Mr Celani



### U14 Netball - 19th March

#### **Imberhorne 18 v Michael Hall 3**

“The girls gave a fantastic performance, showcasing some advanced skills and accurate shooting. Great defence in the circle from Freya and Amber meant that the ball was in our third for most of the game and only 3 goals were scored by the opponents in the whole game. We held our space well and played at good pace, moving the ball up the court quickly. Well done, girls” Mrs Pritchard



### U13 Cricket - Sussex Tournament 22nd March

Player of the Match: Whole team!

“We made the short trip to Sackville for the annual tournament, without doubt the youngest team there! We played Downlands in the first game and with some tight fielding and accurate bowling, won fairly easily. Sackville were next in a very tight affair, we did eventually win. The last match was against Warden Park who had their two Sussex U15 girls playing. In a superbly tight game Warden Park batted out the last over and scraped through with a 1 run win. It was a three way tie at the top Warden Park, Downlands and Imberhorne, all with two wins. It was Warden Park who went through on net run rate but as we were the youngest team there it’s a big positive for us. Bring on the summer!” Mr Collyer



# Parents' Forum

We would like to share details of the recent meeting held between parents and Headteacher, Mr Brown on 19th March 2019.

## Character Education

Mr Brown explained that discussions had been taking place with staff to determine how to best prepare our students for the 21st Century. Contributions from staff and a subsequent working group had identified a number of qualities and skills that were considered important to embed in students. These were:

**Empathy and Resilience**  
**Collaboration and Communication**  
**Creativity and Critical thinking**

He said that the challenge for the school was to find ways that these characteristics could be developed. This could be a long-term process of building and improving the way character education is provided. The idea might be to establish a termly focus on one or more of these qualities with, for example, external speakers and arts immersion days.

Mr Brown noted that whilst the term disadvantaged was usually applied in a financial context, he felt it could also be associated with a lack of life experiences. The Imberhorne pledge would be to provide 'cultural capital'; the aim would be for all students to have opportunities such as:

Live theatre, live music, visiting a gallery, visiting a museum, listening to an author or poet talk about their work, a live sports event, participation in a multicultural celebration, participation in a residential trip.

Parents/Carers expressed their support for the Imberhorne pledge, noting how memberships of clubs and extra-curricular activities helped to build resilience and widen students' horizons. There was praise for the establishment of our Masterclass sessions.

## Behaviour Management

Mr Brown explained that whilst there were many school rules on a range of different aspects of school life, he was exploring a different approach by focussing on behaviour expectations. These expectations could be summed up by:

**Be Ready \* Show Respect \* Have Pride**

This language would be appropriate to use in many settings and situations. It would hopefully shape behaviours by explaining the school's expectations. The intention is to launch the new approach in September.

## Being a Governor

Chair of Governors, Bob Darvill spoke to the forum about the role of governors. He explained that the purpose of the governing body is to consider strategic issues relating to areas such as finance, premises, school ethos and student behaviour. Meetings take place 3 times per term, in the evening. In addition to attendance at meetings, members of the governing body can take part in other activities such as learning walks if their commitments allow.

Governors can be attached to a particular department and meet with staff to learn more about that aspect of the curriculum or school life. Training is available through West Sussex CC. There is currently a vacancy for a parent governor and another vacancy will arise shortly for a co-opted member. Mr Darvill encouraged any parent or carer who was interested in becoming a governor to contact him, or Mr Brown to find out a little more about the role.

## Dates for your Diary...

Wed 27th	Y12 students attending Oxbridge Conference. Y10 Duke of Edinburgh First Aid course
Thu 28th	D of E Silver Expedition to 31st GCSE Art Exam
Fri 29th	Y9 Booster Vaccination GCSE Art Exam Social Evening and Race Night Fund Raiser
Week 28B	Music Challenge Week
Mon 1st April	Y13 BTEC Performing Arts Exam I Dance at Chequer Mead 7.00pm
Tues 2nd	Y8 & 9 IET EngFest 3.0 I Dance at Chequer Mead 7.00pm
Thu 4th	Y10 D of E First Aid training
Fri 5th	Last Day of Term – Early Closure at 12.20pm

## SCHOOL SNIPPETS

- ◆ Congratulations to Neo Wooster in Y7 who raised £260 at the beginning of March, shaving his hair for the charity Jigsaw. [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/neo-wooster?utm\\_id=26](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/neo-wooster?utm_id=26) Jigsaw supports bereaved children, young people and their families and also those affected by a family member having a terminal diagnosis throughout Surrey, Sussex and the surrounding areas.
- ◆ Thank you to all those families who responded to our recent Valentine's appeal for the School Fund. Since the request went out on 13th February, we have raised an incredible £1,835.40. This fund is managed by Governors and we already have bids in from Mr Langstone for a BMX Academy workshop and from the English department to bring in visiting authors into school to inspire students across all year groups.
- ◆ Great news from Ollie Gordon and Louis Rothwell in Year 9, who both attended the Regional England Judo Development Squad in February and have both since heard that they have been accepted on to the England Development Squad! This reflects the months of hard work, training and commitment.
- ◆ Keira Narraway competed in the UK National Championships for lifesaving on 17th March and came away with a gold and silver for individual events. She was also presented with an award for her new British record time by the current World champion Zara Williams. These results will maintain her place in the Team GB development squad with the aim being for her to represent Team GB in the youth European Championships in Croatia Summer 2020.

