

ELECTRONICS GCSE

PHYSICS - ENGINEERING - TECHNOLOGY - THE FUTURE!



WHY STUDY ELECTRONICS AT IMBERHORNE?

- Electronics is a growth sector globally lots of employment opportunities and opportunities for further study
- Recognised by universities as a 'Science based' subject
- A very successful subject at imberhorne students typically exceed their expected grades
- Enjoyable mixture of theory and practical work
- Develop strong practical, mathematical, creative and problem solving skills

COURSE CONTENT – THEORY & COURSEWORK

COMPONENT 1 – DISCOVERING ELECTRONICS (EXAM = 40%)

- Electronic systems & sub-systems
- Circuit concepts
- Resistive components in circuits
- Switching circuits
- Application of Diodes
- Combinational logic systems

COMPONENT 2 – APPLICATIONS OF ELECTRONICS (EXAM = 40%)

- Operational amplifiers
- Timing circuits
- Sequential systems
- Interfacing digital to analogue circuits
- Control circuits

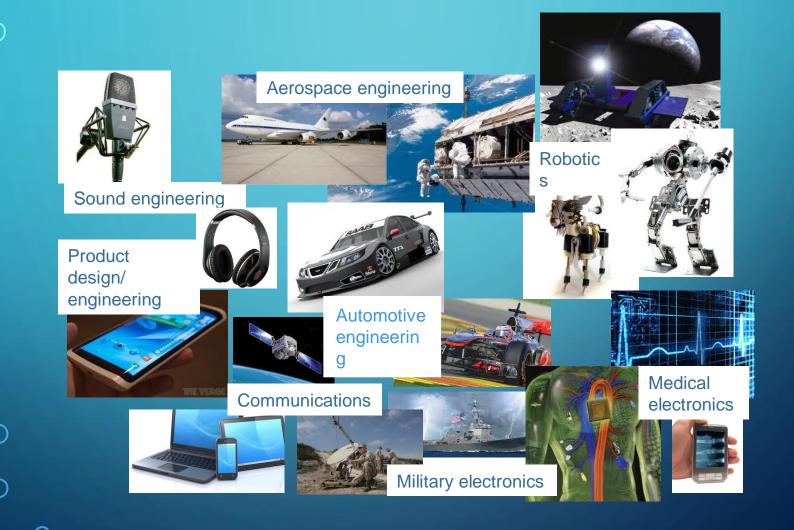
COMPONENT 3 – NON EXAM ASSESSMENT COURSEWORK (20%)

• Design & make an electronic system to solve a problem of your choice!

LEARN – MODEL – TEST - IMPROVE

- All circuits are designed, modelled and constructed using:
 - CAD software i.e. control studio, circuit wizard
 - Prototype boards plug & play
 - Stripboard or PCB soldering
- Typically in an electronics lesson you will learn about a new electronic component or system; build that system using one of the methods above; then test and improve it to make it work effectively...

A GCSE IN ELECTRONICS CAN START YOU ON A CAREER IN:



PROGRESSION & COMPLIMENTARY SUBJECTS

- When you complete your GCSE it is possible to continue your studies at Imberhorne by studying electronics A level. The following subjects also complement electronics:
- Science
- Maths
- Computer Science
- Music
- Media Studies