



WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

IMBERHORNE SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mr Martin Brown

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September 2019

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

Re: School Fund

In addition to our curriculum provision, we also offer a rich and wide ranging programme of extra-curricular activities and educational visits. We try to ensure that students spend their time in a stimulating and well-maintained environment and have plenty of exciting opportunities to explore new things.

All of this though comes at a cost. Our limited school budget is carefully managed and overseen by Governors in order to provide the very best value for money. We use our budget to fund staffing, equipment and the necessary support that enables the school to be successful.

This, however, allows very little flexibility to finance the 'extras' that we think are an important part of all young peoples' schooling. We therefore request from all families a school fund payment that helps us provide the equipment and opportunities that make such a difference to students' experience in school. In recent years, the school fund has been able to provide funding for activities as diverse as:-

- Year 8 Disability Awareness Day
- A range of workshops offered by practitioners from beyond the school, e.g. poetry, theatre and BMX workshops
- A range of music equipment including iPads
- Sports kit and accessories for school teams
- Specialist equipment such as a laser cutter for technology and fieldwork items for geography
- Good quality video cameras for recording and sharing footage from school events
- Purchasing a greenhouse and fruit trees for the school Eco-group
- Wheelbarrows, tools and plants for our gardening group
- Life skills workshops for students in different year groups
- A new PA system in our main halls along with new curtains
- Outdoor table tennis tables in each key stage for use at break and lunch
- Board games for our Games Club
- Contribution to the new Multi-gym



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The requested school fund payment is £36 per family. Payments can be made either through our ParentPay system or by Standing Order (12 payments of £3). Please email Mrs J Cooper (jcooper@imberhorne.co.uk) if you would prefer the latter option.

If you are able to indicate that you agree to the Gift Aid Declaration, the school will not only receive your contribution but will also be able to claim back the tax paid on the donation.

Please note that the request for payment automatically appears on Parent Pay for all students from Years 7 to 11. If you have more than one child in the school please make the payment for the youngest only.

School fund is spent only on the approval of the Governors. I would like to thank you in anticipation of your generosity. If you have concerns about the contents of this letter please write to me or the Chair of Governors, care of the school.

Yours faithfully

Mr M Brown

Headteacher