

16th October 2023



Bohunt Bulletin



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Focus of the Week

We can't quite believe how the first half term of this school year has flown by and the achievements have already been amazing! So far year we have awarded **24915** ERA points, please see below some of the key behaviours they have been awarded for:

Active Engagement - 5554

Independence - 3877

Kindness - 1241

Work to be proud of - 5416

Successful smart start - 2973

Year 7s have settled in well with **97%** confirming via the Year 7 survey that they have two or more friends at school.

Our students have had the opportunity to attend 30 different clubs each week, we have taken part in four trips and three Duke of Edinburgh expedition overnights. We have also welcomed 1300 new prospective families, 27 new members of staff since September and we will be running our very first open mornings for our founding primary class as soon as we return.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank those of you that attended the Welcome to... year group information events. We finish with Year 8 and Year 10 this week!

These events are essential for providing you with as much information in advance regarding what lies ahead for the year and it was great to see so many engaged families. For those that were unable to attend we will shortly issue the information pack distributed during the events via a separate communication.

Overview

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Important Dates

October

- 9-20th - BET Assessment Fortnight for Year 10
- 17th 6pm - Welcome to... Year 8
- 19th 6pm - Welcome to... Year 10
- 23-27th - **HALF TERM**
- 30th - Return to school
- 31st-6th Nov - Primary Open Events

November

- 6-10th - Year 8 DEAR week
- 6-17th - Year 11 Mocks Week 1
- Year 10 Parent/Carers Consultations
- 13-24th - Year 8 BET Assessment Fortnight
- 29th - **INSET DAY**

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Nearly New Uniform Sale



On Friday we will be putting some nearly new uniform at the front of the school for people to buy. There will be an honesty box and price lists. Please bring a few pounds to school if you have something you would like to buy. Prices range from £2 for black trousers (we have a huge range of sizes) to £10 for a blazer.

Year 8-9 Florida 2025 Launch

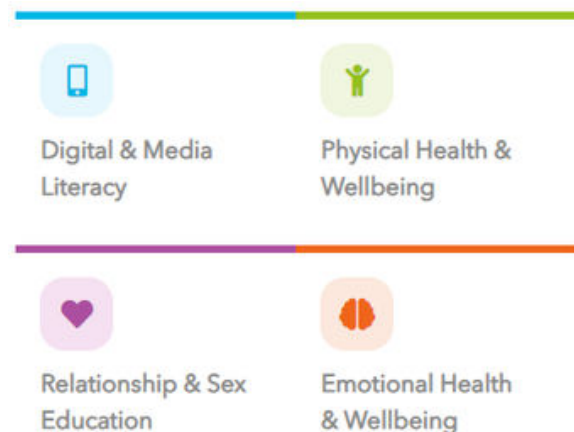
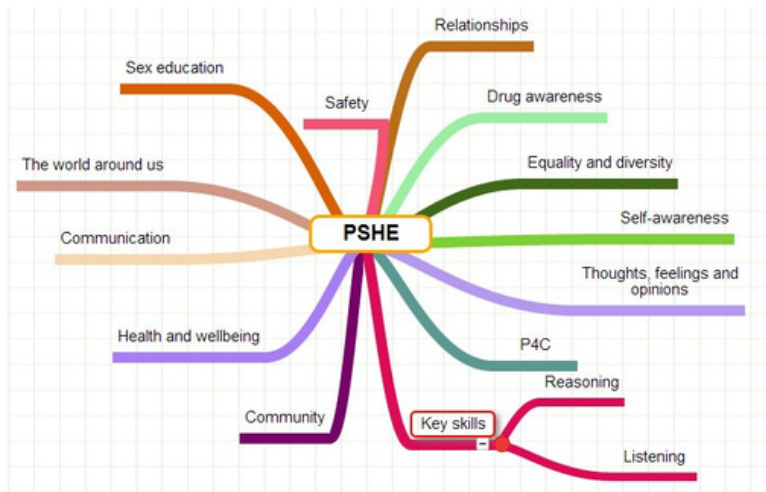
We are excited to be able to offer current Year 8 and 9 students the opportunity of a lifetime to visit Florida in February half term 2025. This will be the second time we have run this STEM trip which includes visits to Kennedy Space Centre, Disney and Universal Studios as some key highlights. If you think your child may be interested in attending, please sign up to the webinar [here](#) which is being held at 6pm on 18th October which will have more detailed information.

Please note that a holding deposit will be required to reserve a spot and this will be due 23rd November 2023.

Strut Safe

Strut Safe is a free telephone service for those to use who are walking alone. It's run by volunteers who are happy to speak to individuals on the phone (about anything) until they get home. Here's more info: <https://strutsafe.org>

Personal Development



At Bohunt Horsham, we teach personal development through our tutor times and occasional drop down days. We have developed our curriculum using 'Educating for Safeguarding' From West Sussex County Council.

The delivery of personal development starts after half term and is taught in tutor time. The following topics will be covered during next half term:

- Year 7: Friendships and healthy relationships
- Year 8: Healthy relationships and peer pressure
- Year 9: Consent, STIs and the dangers of pornography
- Year 10: Stress. Coercion and exploitation.
- Year 11: Extremism and radicalisation.

BET Book Award 2023 Author Visit



Last week, our Year 8 students that were involved in last term's BET Book Award had the exciting opportunity to meet the winning author Darren Simpson. 'The Memory Thieves' was an outright winner chosen from five shortlisted books. Students from across the Trust enjoyed an interactive session with Darren Simpson and they had an enjoyable time asking him many questions and learning about what inspired him to write his book.



Library

Bohunt Horsham library has a selection of books categorised as Young Adult. They are aimed at children in Year 9 and above.

These books are written for teenage children but may contain some more mature themes, including such topics as threats, violence, sexual references, strong language, discrimination, drugs, supernatural, horror, or imitable behaviour. They are labelled as YA (Young Adult)

We do not let students in Years 7 and 8 borrow those books because of the content, however some students do request to read them. If you are happy to let your child read the Young Adult books please give your consent below via the QR code/form.



If you have filled in this form last year and wish to change your decision, please also fill in the form and your details will be updated.

Tuesday Dance Club - due to school production commitments, the Dance Club will not run on Tuesday 17th October. Apologies.



Contacting your Child

A polite reminder that should the need arise to make contact with your child during school hours, this should be made via the reception team. Students are not allowed to access mobile phones or to use their iPads for anything other than school work. Devices will be confiscated until the end of the day should these be used for anything which is not for the purpose of education.

Same Boat Parents for a free webinar on 18th October at 8pm, please share with parents the sign up link https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PCZIZ56yRtisaa04M56-OQ

Black History Month

As you are aware, October is Black History Month and within our classrooms, we have been asking students to research and review a variety of game changers throughout history.

Here is an idea of some of the game changers we have been looking at.



This weeks assemblies will also focus on Black History Month

Transition Feedback - Year 7 families only

As a new school, feedback from our families about the transition process is incredibly valuable to us. Please provide us with your views by 20th October using this [form](#).

Upper Brass Tuition



Upper brass tuition: trumpet, cornet, baritone, tenor horn...

Daniel is a freelance trumpeter and teacher who enjoys performing in West End musical pit bands, big bands, corporate function bands and orchestras. He hopes to inspire lots of students to pick up a brass instrument and make some noise with their friends!

If you are interested in starting upper brass tuition (trumpet, cornet, baritone, tenor horn...) after half-term or would like to book a 20 minute trial lesson please contact daniel.dickson@gmail.com for more information.

Quiz Night!

BOHUNT HORSHAM

QUIZ NIGHT

Do you have what it takes to be the ultimate quiz champion? Then, gather your friends and join us for our first Bohunt Horsham Quiz Night!

All proceeds to go towards supporting families in need with the purchase of essential resources.

Friday 17th November 2023
7:00pm – 10:00pm
Venue: Bohunt Horsham, Main Hall
£5 per head, up to 6 people per team

Bring your own drinks and nibbles
Donations of wine/chocolate welcome and will be raffled off on the evening

JOIN US
For tickets please visit:
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bohunt-horsham-quiz-night-tickets-727576991367>
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www.bohunt-horsham.com

You are invited to join us at Bohunt Horsham first Quiz Night!

Gather your teams (up to 6 people) and pitch yourselves against our staff!

Tickets are available now via Eventbrite. Tickets are per person but where possible please book as a team, providing your team names in the booking! [Book Tickets Here](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bohunt-horsham-quiz-night-tickets-727576991367)



Mountain Bike Club

MTB Club having a great time developing their riding skills making the most of the fantastic wild spaces we have on site.



West Sussex County Council Schools Admissions Appeals Recruitment.

Volunteers wanted for School Admission Appeals and Independent Review Panels.

Are you a current or recently retired Headteacher, a serving or retired Governor, parent, grandparent or just interested in education, or do you know someone who might be? If so, West Sussex County Council would love to hear from you.

The council needs new Independent Panel Members to hear school admission appeals. This role is key to ensure that parents feel they have had a fair and independent hearing and been given an opportunity to explain why they would like their child to attend their preferred school.

This is an important role ensuring that all school admission appeals are transparent, independent and impartial.

Full training will be given by our Legal Services Team in early 2024 and all volunteers will be paid travel expenses.

If you are interested and would like more information, please email appealsadministrator@westsussex.gov.uk with your details and they will get in touch.

Useful Links

Uniform Policy - <https://www.bohunthorsham.com/families/uniform>

Absence Procedure - please record absences via [Studybugs](#) If you haven't received a log in please contact the school reception.

Support the school via Easy fundraising.
<https://easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bohunthorsham>

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