

7th October 2024

Bohunt Bulletin



Focus of the week

Incident in Horsham Park/Woodstock Close last week/weekend

Update from Ms Ayling

Families may already be aware and will have seen our announcement on Friday with the updates from Collyer's that there were some gravely concerning incidents in the local area. As further information regarding these events comes to light, I share with families, students and staff additional guidance on staying safe for students as they travel to and from school. As ever, we wish to work as a team alongside our families to ensure our students' safety remains an absolute priority at all times. Our advice to students who are travelling to and from school is as follows:

- Stay in well populated areas of town where possible
- Remain in groups if possible
- Avoid having your phone obviously out - for most of our students, their mobile phones are the most valuable device they carry with them and the most obvious target for thieves
- Make a note of your phone's IMEI number – to be able to lock the phone if it is stolen
- If someone asks you for one of your valuable items, hand it over without arguing - your life or health are more important to us than your devices are

Overview

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It is less likely that a student will have their iPad stolen; this is because iPads do not have a high resale value in comparison to mobile phones, in particular because all of our iPads are enrolled into our managing device system - JAMF and are rendered useless to thieves because they cannot be set up onto another user.

I am in close communication with Dan Lodge, Principal of Collyer's and the other headteachers of the Horsham schools and we know Mr Lodge is writing to John Milne (MP for Horsham), Chief Inspector Sarah Leadbeatter (Police District Commander for Adur, Worthing and Horsham) and Nigel Emery (Chair of Horsham District Council) to ask for an urgent meeting to discuss our concerns and understand what steps can be taken to better assure safety not just for our community but also the broader local area. I will keep you informed.

Achievements

Swimming

The Bohunt Horsham Swimming Squad have once again put Bohunt on the map! They showed real strength across all events last week and modelled really strong team support throughout.

The results as they stand:

Our Junior Boys' team was the fastest in their heats right up until the very end where unfortunately they let the lead slip. They all swam brilliantly and are eager to go again in the next competition with fewer nerves!

Our Junior Girls' team won silver in the Freestyle and Gold medal in the medley event. They are hoping that their times can solidify a place in the National Final!

Our Intermediate Girls' team came second in their heats, but could not beat the final times of the other girls squads from around Sussex. However, there is a chance they also make it through to the National Finals as runners up, a sterling effort.



Girls' Football

Our under 14 girls won 2-0 against Imberhorne last week!

Spotlight on Safeguarding

Keep yourself safe with free South East Cyber sessions

South East Cyber is a regional Police Cyber Crime Unit consisting of four police forces, Hampshire, Thames Valley, Surrey and Sussex Police. They investigate crime as well as proactively educating communities to become cyber resilient.

As part of their work, they offer free online sessions to individuals and businesses within the community on various topics. These are:

[Cyber Security for Business](#) .

[General Online Safety](#) .

[Online Safety for Parents](#) .

[Online Safety For Women and Girls](#) .

[Safeguarding Humanity - Risks of AI and Deepfakes](#)

Year 11 parent/carers consultation

10th October 4pm -7.30pm

This is a virtual event to meet your child's teachers before their first round of mock exams. Booking opens 30th September at 4pm and closes on 10th October. Please [Use Link](#) to log in.

Please note that there are appointments to book with Ms Simons (our careers lead) for you to discuss future options for your child, but these appointments are limited. Please email dsimons@bohunthorsham.com if your query could be resolved via email

Teacher Training

Are you (or is someone you know), thinking about routes into teacher training but are not sure where to begin? Our SCITT Team would be happy to arrange a telephone conversation to talk you through the teacher training options with BET and the application process. Or you could attend one of our upcoming [Get Into Teaching](#) events. Please [email us](#) with any questions

Young Minds - Hello Yellow



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Bohunt Horsham will be participating in Hello Yellow to support YoungMinds on **Thursday, 10 October** (World Mental Health Day). We encourage everyone to wear a 'hint' of yellow with their regular school uniform. This could be an accessory, a yellow top under their blazer, a badge, or a headband. Thank you for your support!

There are days when all of us struggle with how we are feeling. Things can get tough, and it can be difficult to know how to cope. For many young people, when this happens, they don't always get the help they need when they need it. They don't know where to turn, who to talk to, or even if anyone else feels the same. No young person should feel alone with their mental health. Together, we can change this. Students can take part by wearing a hint of yellow to school. We'd also like to ask parents and carers to consider donating to help YoungMinds keep fighting for young people's mental health. Our suggested donation is £2 which can be donated on our JustGiving page:

[Bount Horsham Hello Yellow JustGiving Page](#)

YoungMinds has resources for families to find help and advice, if you're ever concerned about a child or young person—you can find this on their website www.youngminds.org.uk/parent. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Upcoming Dates

OCTOBER

- 10 October
- 10 October
- 17 October
- 18 October
- 9 and 11
- 22 October
- 25 October
- 3.00pm

Young Minds - wear a 'hint' of yellow
Y11 Parent/Carer Consultation
Halloween Spooky Ball
School photographs - Reception, Years 7,
Year 9 Welcome to GCSEs event, 5.30-
Duckling class Halloween Party, 1.30-

Flu vaccinations

- 28 October - 1 November

Half Term