



SCHOOL NEWS 8 OCTOBER 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

MESSAGE FROM MR PANAYIOTOU

As we fast approach half term, which commences at the end of the school day on Friday 23rd October, I wanted to write to thank you for your continued support in helping your child return to school.

You will be very aware of the national picture relating to Covid19 in terms of positive cases and positive cases in other local secondary and primary schools.

Up to this point, we have had no cases in school, but are increasingly aware that the locality picture is changing daily.

We are constantly reinforcing with our students the many protocols we have in place.

Students are permitted to wear face coverings in transitional areas or when inside social zones but do not need to wear them in lessons as outlined by the DfE.

www.gov.uk/face-coverings

If there is a significant increase in our locality and we are advised by PHE to move to a more mandatory model then I will communicate this to you.

Students who have chosen to wear face coverings have done so impeccably and are ensuring proper sanitisation before and after making contact with the covering.

I am also delighted to share with you our "Millie's day" video, <https://youtu.be/DDnFluFuP-c>, which highlights a day in the life of a Worthing High School student. This hopefully encapsulates some of the many opportunities at Worthing High. Please feel free to share it with any of your friends and family who might be thinking about a secondary place for September 2021.

Please also direct them to our virtual open evening which is available. [Link here](#)

Thank you as always for your much appreciated and continued support.

Pan Panayiotou
Headteacher

MESSAGE FOR YEAR 11 PARENTS/CARERS

We will be sending a separate communication out tomorrow, with details about the mock exams and other information relevant for year 11 parents/carers and students, including an exciting opportunity for some students to apply for a fully funded scholarship at the prestigious Brighton College.

COVID-19 RESPONSE SURVEY

As we continue to monitor the situation both locally and nationally, I would be grateful for your responses to our survey so that we can plan ahead for situations if they may arise in the future. Many thanks for your support with the completion of this survey to enable us to put in place plans to safeguard and support our students. <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/covidresponsesw>

Scott Swift
Deputy Headteacher

SCHOOL UNIFORM SURVEY

We are constantly reviewing our uniform fitting protocols with SWI (our uniform supplier), in order to ensure you are being provided with uniform that will fit your children appropriately, please can you complete our survey. <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/uniform2020SSW>

INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL PHOTOS

Friday 9th October is the final day for the school to receive orders for student photos via the envelopes containing the printed proofs. Please ensure that your child brings any proof orders to the office first thing in the morning as the collection of proof orders will be made during the day.

However, using the code given in the proof, orders can also be placed via the Vancols website.

REMINDER

Due to the current restrictions on the shared use of school headphones, all students should have headphones as part of the school equipment.

They just need to have a standard audio jack (as per the below picture).



DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD – YEAR 10 STUDENTS

Applications are now open for any students who are currently in year 10 and wish take part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award at Worthing High School. More information is in a separate email and available on the school website [here](#). Application forms have been sent to all year 10 students via Satchel One. The deadline for applications is **Friday 16th October 2020**. If you have any questions please email Miss Moodie at dofe@worthinghigh.net.

PE KIT

Please can we ask for your support in ensuring students are wearing the correct PE kit to school on the days they have PE.

The guidance on school PE kit can be found on our school website here <https://www.worthinghigh.net/page/?title=School+Uniform+%26amp%3B+Equipment&pid=42>

In particular, please be aware of the following:

1. As it gets colder students will need to wear clothing over their polo shirts around school. Students are able to wear the ¼ zip training top in all year groups, or the WHS fleece in years

8-11. A blazer may also be worn and a water proof jacket should be brought to school on the day students have PE. Hooded tops are not part of the Worthing High School uniform and are not allowed to be worn at school.

2. Nike Pro shorts, or similar, are not allowed. These are not of a suitable length, they are tight and leave little modesty. We politely request that you ensure that your child has black shorts between thigh and knee length.
3. Leggings are not allowed for PE, they are only allowed for Performing Arts lessons.
4. Tracksuit trousers must be black and without any logos on.

Students who do not have the correct kit will be sanctioned as per school policy.

TUESDAY 13 OCTOBER ENRICHMENT

Please note that after school clubs on Tuesday 13th will not occur due to tours with prospective parents.

NEWS FROM ANIMAL CLUB ISSUE 6

Ms Petrie is providing regular updates on her "school animals".

Fun fact this week – Read issue 6 to find out! [Link here](#)

LRC

Accelerated Reader - Home Connect

Year 7 students have all been sent home, over the last couple of weeks, with a letter explaining how you can monitor their progress on Accelerated Reader. If you have not received the letter you can go directly to the website.

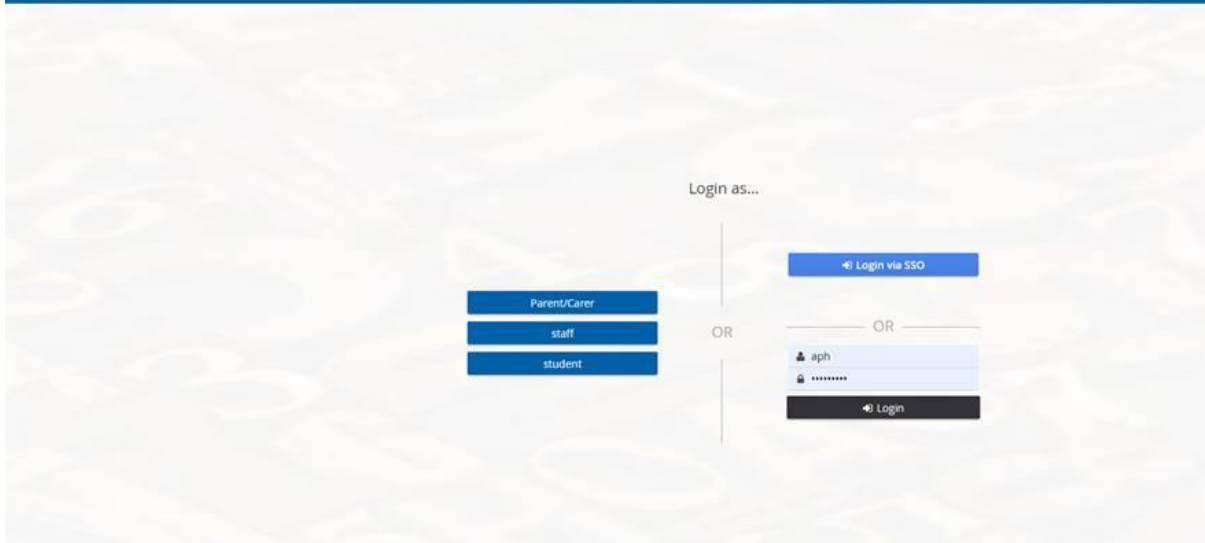
The link to the website is: <https://ukhosted5.renlearn.co.uk/2249035/HomeConnect/>. Students have the username and password on page 13 of their planners (white sheets).

If you have any problems please contact their English teachers who can provide you with details.

Parent/Carer Library

The Learning Resources Centre would like to share their fantastic library with parents/carers and grandparents. To access the system go to the following link and select parent library -

<https://uk.accessit.online/wrt01/#!/landingPage>



MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT CAKE SALES AND BAKE OFF

We had a truly amazing response to this competition with over 60 entries. It has been great to see the variety of bakes and the effort that you have made with your families to raise money for MacMillan Cancer Charity.

We raised - £1071.81

Please click the link below to see all the winners.

[Link here](#)

Well done to everyone who took part. Look out for more baking and cooking challenges later this year.

GORING HALL ART COMPETITION

To lift the spirits of the West Sussex community Goring Hall have decided to hold an art competition.

Please see leaflet attached.

VACANCIES AT WORTHING HIGH SCHOOL

We advertise staff vacancies on our website under [Join Us/Vacancies](#). Please take the time to have a look and share the information with anybody you know who might be interested in applying.

TWITTER

For up to date information don't forget to follow us on the links below:

Whole School: @WorthingHigh

Headteacher: @WorthingHigh_ht

South Downs Education Trust: @sdetrust

Trips: @worthinghighout

Worthing High Careers and Employability Service: @WorthingHighCar

Lettings: @HighLettings

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

October half term Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October.

Parent Forum 11th November 2020

Term dates for the 2020/2021 academic years are available on our website.

Link below:

[Term dates 2020/2021](#)