

SCHOOL NEWS 3 DECEMBER 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the final two weeks of school, I am writing to thank you for your continued support with our Covid19 response and encouraging your child to wear a reusable face covering.

We still (unbelievably) have had no positive cases reported and staff and students are continuing to follow our DfE and Public Health England (PHE) protocols. It is likely that we will at some point, have confirmed cases and if they occur, we will obviously implement our planned response and be directed by PHE. I am however, ever hopeful that we can get to the end of term and our students in all year groups will have had 100% face to face teaching, which will be a phenomenal achievement in itself against a backdrop of very challenging times for all in our locality.

Finally, many of Year 11 parent and carers will be aware of the government announcement regarding exams for next year. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-support-the-summer-2021-exams/guidance-to-support-the-summer-2021-exams>

There are many questions that we need to have clarity on and the Government has announced this will happen in January 2021. We will continue our relentless drive to ensure all of our Year 11 receive the very best support and as soon as there is definitive information, we will communicate that with you.

CANTEEN CHRISTMAS LUNCH FOR YEARS 10 AND 11

We still have places available for years 10 and 11 for Christmas lunch, booking closes on Friday 3 December.

All meals must be ordered and paid for at any of the catering food delivery points and costs £2.35. Those students entitled to free school meals must also place their order by Friday this week. Please [click here](#) for more information.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

On the last day of term (Friday 18th Dec) we will be holding a Christmas Jumper day to raise money for Save the Children (<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day>). This is a week later than the official day launched but ties in neatly with the end of term.

Students are encouraged to wear a Christmas jumper or suitable Christmas attire but may wear non-uniform. We kindly ask for a minimum donation of £1 to support this good cause.



CHRISTMAS BAKE OFF 2020

Our Christmas Bake Off 2020 has just launched please [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

STEAM

Inter tutor STEAM

Lots of STEAM activities have taken place this week for the inter tutor competitions [click here](#) for more information.

STEAM CHARITY

The DT department has been busy making personalised decorations for charity. For a suggested donation of £1 per decoration the DT department can make you a personalised snowflake, reindeer, stocking or other decorations. If you are interested in donating or finding out more please email Mr Frape the DT technician. RFrape@worthinghigh.net



CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

Every year Worthing High School looks to support the local community providing Christmas hampers for people less fortunate and who will benefit from some much needed everyday supplies.

This year we are supporting Turning Tides a charity who provide a range of homeless support services in West Sussex, covering Adur and Worthing, Littlehampton, Horsham District and Mid Sussex.

Our aim is to provide bespoke Christmas Hamper sets for Turning Tides to pass out to the local homeless community. The items identified are the most needed and in demand items Turning Tides could recommend. [Click here](#) to see the list of items. If possible we would gratefully receive any of them as a donation to your son or daughters tutor group. We will be collecting items until the 10 December but if we can fill and prepare hampers sooner that would be amazing.

LRC NEWSLETTER

Please click on the following link to view the December [LRC Newsletter](#)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Inter community sport competitions

Inter community sports competitions starts **TONIGHT** Thursday 3rd December. Students within each Year group bubble will have the opportunity to compete for their community against the three other communities. If your child has signed up for one or more of the

competitions you will have or will be receiving an email confirming final dates/times. We hope to see that a large number of students sign up, participate and most importantly enjoy themselves, keep fit and have lots of fun!

As inter community competitions will be taking place for all year group bubbles, no additional clubs will be able to run. Exceptions to this will be Period 6 and Period 0 for Year 11 students only. Year 11 sessions which will continue to run during inter community competitions are: P6 Volleyball Tuesday, P0 GCSE PE revision Thursday and P6 Dance Friday will run as normal.

Sport/Dance Leader applications

We are looking for sport and dance leaders in all year groups. Information will be in tutor slides next week and an email will be sent home to all students about the application process and what to include in their email applications. If your child has any questions after receiving the information during tutor time and via email please do ask them to speak with a member of the PE department. Deadline for all applications will be **Friday 8th January 2021**.

ART NEWS

Last month Kaitlyn White in year 10 entered the Art competition advertised on our website with Goring Hall hospital.

Fantastic news to hear that Kaitlyn won for her age category (11-15), her prize was a £50 Amazon voucher and her work will be on display at the hospital.

Congratulations. [Click here](#) to see a photograph of her entry

FOWHS

Please [click here](#) for further information on the Big PTA Raffle and Uniform donations

YEAR 11 INFORMATION

Our year 11 Subject Review evening will take place virtually on the 10 December between 3pm and 7pm.

Just a reminder that **all** students will leave at 1.30pm on this day.

A reminder that period 6 and period 0 intervention sessions are running, please encourage your child to attend in the subjects they require extra support. [Click here](#) for session

LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM – 18 DECEMBER 2020

The school will close to students at 1.30pm on 18 December 2020. Any student who requires food from the canteen should obtain it at morning break, including those on free school meals, as the canteen will close at lunchtime.

SOUTH DOWNS EDUCATION TRUST AGM

The AGM of SDET takes place by ZOOM on Monday 7 December at 4pm. Parents, carers and staff are welcome to attend as observers and questions can also be tabled in advance via the clerk clerktogovernors@worthinghigh.net

The agenda for the meeting is attached.

If you would like to attend please email the Clerk at clerktogovernors@worthinghigh.net and you will be emailed the ZOOM link for the meeting and supporting papers.

Please note that “cameras” will need to be enabled for the duration of the meeting.

Our annual accounts for 2019/20 are already available on our [website HERE](#).

VACANCIES

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

7 December 2020 SDET AGM Meeting 16:00pm

10 December Year 11 Subject Review Evening 15:00pm – 19:00pm

10 December Students leave early 13:30pm

18 December Last day Autumn Term – students finish at 13:30pm

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

Link below:

[Term dates 2020/2021](#)