



## SCHOOL NEWS 25 MAY 2023

Dear parents and carers,

Please take some time to view our termly newsletter which will be on our website on Friday morning, to see the incredible and diverse range of activities we continue to offer. [Click here](#), Thank you to all our students for their hard work, resilience and efforts throughout this term and thank you to you our parents and carers, for your continued and unwavering support. We look forward to welcoming everyone back after what we hope will be a restful and well deserved half term.

### **Update regarding the pastoral structure from June for Year 7.**

After half term Mr Townsend will be supporting the transition process for our new Year 7 students, as he did for your child. This means that your child's new Progress Leader, Mrs Kundishora and Pastoral Leader, Mr Fenlon will be supporting the year group from June onwards. These staff have both been working alongside Mr Townsend and Mrs De Luca to ensure that the transition process means that your child will continue to thrive at Worthing High School. Contact details for both are below:

Progress Leader – Mrs Kundishora [EKundishora@worthinghigh.net](mailto:EKundishora@worthinghigh.net)

Pastoral Leader – Mr Fenlon [JFenlon@worthinghigh.net](mailto:JFenlon@worthinghigh.net)

Finally, last week we reminded parents and carers about making a voluntary contribution. Thank you if you have done this – your generosity and support is greatly appreciated. If you have not yet done so, but wish to, please follow the instructions below.

We are suggesting £60 annually or £5 per month, but we would be grateful for any contribution. To contribute a different amount please indicate this on Wisepay or if you are unable to access this, email [financeoffice@worthinghigh.net](mailto:financeoffice@worthinghigh.net) with the details of the amount you would like to contribute.

### **Standing order information**

Account name: SDET T/a Worthing High School

Account number: 54788960

Sort code: 30-99-93

Payment reference: WHSSF – *Child's full name*

Pan Panayiotou  
Executive Headteacher/  
CEO South Downs Education Trust

Adrian Cook  
Head of School

We are currently putting an application together for a safer crossing point for our students and the wider community crossing St Lawrence Avenue. This application is made to WSCC through a Community Highways Scheme application. To support us in this application and provide evidence for its need, we would be grateful if you could fill in a short survey about road safety in our area. The link for the survey is [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSev2aDaT-kD-1HnF\\_q61uoLWVMLmpngdNhjJnOuzVqQXEFYw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSev2aDaT-kD-1HnF_q61uoLWVMLmpngdNhjJnOuzVqQXEFYw/viewform)

The deadline for completion is 4pm Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June.

Each year the **Summer Reading Challenge** runs in all West Sussex libraries with the help and support of hundreds of volunteers aged 14 and over. **Ready, Set, Read!** This year's challenge, starts **Saturday 8 July** and our recruitment for new volunteers is now open. We'd love your help in spreading the message to your students and school community.

### **Public Examinations**

A reminder, rules and regulations are decided by the Joint Council for Qualifications, not Worthing High School. So malpractice or rule breaches are not determined by us. If a student fails to follow a rule, or misbehaves, they risk disqualification and receiving zero marks for that paper. As a school, it is highly unlikely we would be able to challenge this.

We also clarified the importance of punctuality. If a student is late, they are at risk of not being able to sit the examination. They **will not** be able to catch up with the examination, at a later date and will receive zero marks for that particular paper.

Finally, students were reminded of the importance of pre-examination checks. Ensuring things like notes, mobile phones, watches, calculator lids etc. are removed from their person and left in a bag. We will of course, remind students before every exam, but if they bring a banned item into the exam venue, they risk disqualification and receiving zero marks for that paper.

For a comprehensive guide to examination conduct, please visit our website. [Worthing High School - Arrangements for GCSEs 2023](#)

### **Biennial Sponsored Walk**

Our biennial sponsored walk which will take place on Monday 19 June 2023.

This is our opportunity as a school community to unite and raise valuable funds for the amazing work of Chestnut Tree House. There are hundreds of children and young people in our local community who need support. Tragically, many are unlikely to reach adulthood, and there are even more parents and family members who will need care, help and support.

It costs £10,000 per day for Chestnut Tree House to provide care and support for life limited children and young people in Sussex and Southeast Hampshire, and the money you donate will help provide this valuable support and care to children, young people and families that need it. Here is a video of the work of Chestnut Tree House:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wGdx6HdxewQ&t=4s>

The plan is for all Worthing High staff and students that are able, to raise money by walking 12 miles from school to Chanctonbury Ring and back.

Students will be receiving a sponsorship form from their tutors after all assemblies have taken place and can start collecting sponsorship for this challenge. The preferred way of collecting sponsorship is through our Just Giving page using the link below:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/worthing-high-school-1682416243384>

Money can also be donated through Wisepay. Please only use cash as a last resort if you are unable to access Just Giving or Wisepay.

Since our first sponsored walk in 1999, we have raised over £100,000 with over £14,000 raised last time.

Our target this year is £15,000 which we will reach if all students are able to raise £20.

Thank you for your support in helping us reach our £15,000 target.

### **Message from West Sussex Youth Choir**

[West Sussex Youth Choir](#) are looking for the talented young singers to join this group of talented singers from across the county in Years 9 to 13. Please [click here](#) for further information.

### **Message from SID Youth**

SID Youth, a company that we work with directly at Worthing High, is advertising a number of support groups and activities within the local area for 11-16 year olds, for the May Half Term and beyond. They provide support with number of (mostly) free services, from youth employability and music based youth clubs, to holiday activities for students that qualify for free school meals and girls talk programmes. See the attached posters and information for more details.

### **Physical Education**

#### **Athletics – important information about the District Athletics competition**

Unfortunately, the schools District Athletics competition will not be happening this year. Instead as a school we are able to nominate our high performing athletes to send events, best times and distances into the championship organisers to be considered. This will also give elite athletes in the area the opportunity to progress onto the next round of the national competition. **PLEASE NOTE YEAR 7 ATHLETES ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE.**

Please can you email me directly if you feel your child competes to a high standard in athletics. It will be a quick turnaround, please can you email me at [mfield@worthinghigh.net](mailto:mfield@worthinghigh.net) by **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May (TODAY)**. Age groups will be: Junior Girls and Boys (Yr8/9) and Inter Girls and Boys (Yr10/11).

Name	School	Age range (JG, JB, IG, IB, Event SG, SB)	Event	Best time/distance

#### **Clubs Summer Term 1**

Most clubs will run 3:10-4:10pm; some clubs run at slightly different times, [click here](#) for further information all students are welcome to attend clubs. Registers will be taken weekly therefore there is no need to sign up to a club prior to it starting. If students are attending clubs please can we remind you that they must be in their full WHS PE kit. The weekly newsflash can be found here [click here](#) and will be updated every Friday.

Marie Field  
Leader of PE

#### **VACANCIES AT WORTHING HIGH SCHOOL**

We advertise staff vacancies on our website under [Join Us/Vacancies](#).

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Monday 19 June – Worthing High School Sponsored Walk

Tuesday 20 June – INSET DAY

Friday 14 July – Activ8 Day

Thursday 20 July – Last day of summer term – Students finish at 12.30

### **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