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Dear parents and carers,

I would like to say what a pleasure it was to meet our new year 7's yesterday and for them to get adjusted to their new school. It was also wonderful to meet with many new parents in the evening and outline the journey ahead and expectations for when they start in September.

This week Industrial Action has impacted many schools around the country, thank you for your patience and understanding as we try and navigate our way through this period of Industrial Action from the NEU, which impacted the school yesterday and again tomorrow 7 July.

As a reminder, tomorrow, the school will only be open to vulnerable students with year 7 and year 8 working from home on google classroom, year 9 are on a trip and year 10 on WEX.

Finally we look forward to the class of 2023 prom this evening, myself and my staff Worthing High School are so very proud of their achievements and wish them well in the next phase of their educational journey.

We look forward to sharing their success stories on results day 24 August.

Kind regards

Pan Panayiotou Executive Headteacher CEO South Downs Education Trust

This week has been an incredibly busy one, with lots of Year 5 students, parents and carers coming to see our fantastic school, as part of our taster morning sessions. Our Year 7 students have been busy taking families on tours and showing off the school they are so clearly proud of. They have been an absolute credit to us and have been fantastic ambassadors for the school. This week we also welcomed our new Year 7 cohort for their induction day. They had an excellent experience and hopefully now feel really excited about joining us in September.

With less than 2 weeks left of term, I would like to thank all of our students and staff for their hard work. The end of the academic year is always a tiring time, so to see such positive behaviour and focused purposeful lessons is really impressive. As always, good attendance is vital and the learning taking place in these lessons is really valuable. If improving attendance is something you would like support with, please do not hesitate to contact your child's pastoral leader or form tutor.

Finally, I am delighted to share that we have now exceeded 18,000 positive signatures on our consequence cards. That's 18,000 times a student has been caught getting it right; doing something kind, being helpful or demonstrating our core values. We now want to ensure a really positive end to the academic year and hope that there are many more times students will be recognised for positive behaviours.

Kind regards

Adrian Cook Head of School

Uniform expectations for September:

Many thanks to all of our parent/carers who have ensured that their child has met our uniform expectations for this year. I have attached the current uniform policy for reference but wanted to remind parents who may be planning on purchasing uniform this summer for September to note the following:

- Uniform orders can be delayed when the new year 7 students order their uniform so please allow at least 1 working week when ordering uniform.
- Please ensure that skirts reach the knee and that skirts are not rolled.
- Parent/carers should only purchase approved branded Worthing High School PE kit from SWI. Trainers and boots may be purchased from any retailer.
- Students should be able to remove any piercings when they return from the summer holiday (we would not recommend students pierce anything other than their earlobes to hold a small stud earring)
- Haircuts and hair colouring should conform with the school uniform policy when students return in September.
- Shoes must be formal with a distinct heel.

Many thanks for your support with this.

Mr Swift Deputy Headteacher

ACTIV8 DAY – Friday 14 July 2023

We are pleased to announce details of this year's Sports Day at Worthing High School. Our Activ8 day will take place on **Friday 14 July**. Students will compete for their tutor group and community in five different activities throughout the day (weather permitting). **Please see the attached letter for further information and how to book Food**.

Worthing High School Play

Tickets are on sale for 'Brainstorm' the insight into the workings of a teenage brain. Pupils have working very hard to create and learn a great performance for you. Please do come along and watch Wednesday 12 July and Thursday 13 July 6pm start Mill Hall.

Many thanks for your support

Mrs J Batchelor

Physical Education

Clubs Summer Term 1

Most clubs will run <u>3:10-4:10pm</u>; 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.

PE Kit Expectations

As part of the school uniform code we have expectations on appropriate kit for PE lessons. In recent weeks we have had several students wearing inappropriate shorts. The kit in question are shorts, which are not of a suitable length and not appropriate for PE as too tight. We would like to remind that all students black shorts of an appropriate length for PE lessons. Track suit bottoms should also be black and leggings are also not part of the school PE kit.

Year 11 PE kit donations

If your child has left the school and no longer needs their PE kit please can donations be dropped into student services. Thank you

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

Friday 7 July – Strike day 2 Friday 14 July – Activ8 Day Thursday 20 July – Last day of summer term – Students finish at 12.30

Link for Term Dates for 2023-2024

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