



SCHOOL NEWS 9 NOVEMBER 2023

Dear parents and carers

Worthing High School has been invited to take part in the Act of Remembrance at the Cenotaph in London on **Saturday 11 November**, a separate event to the National Remembrance held on the Sunday. We received the invitation as a consequence of coming third in the Malcolm Doolin Local History Award in which students researched Worthing during WW1.

Only three secondary schools are invited across England and it is a huge honour and privilege for Worthing High School to be able to participate.

A huge thank you to Mr Oram, Miss Darling, and our Head Boy Charlie Fisher and Head Girl Millie Harper-Bailey, who will be in attendance and laying a wreath as part of the Act of Remembrance, along with a number of other students included in the project.

The ceremony will be televised on ITV. We are honoured to have been asked to represent the young people of Worthing and England.

Pan Panayiotou
Executive Headteacher

As mentioned, Saturday is Memorial Day and we will be marking it with a two-minute silence at 11am tomorrow. All students will participate in this sign of respect and will have an opportunity to reflect on the sacrifices of service personnel over the years. For our Community, this also provides a time to think about the importance of doing things for others, which is a key part of any happy and purposeful community and something we are proud to see on a daily basis. Once again we have seen an impressive number of positive consequence cards being returned for small but noticeable acts of kindness. We thank our students for this and always encourage them to try and put others first.

Next week, on Thursday 16 November is our Subject Review evening for Year 9 students. This is an opportunity for parents to meet with subject teachers to discuss your child's progress. I would like to encourage all parents and carers to attend and strongly recommend making bookings sooner rather than later, to ensure you get the appointments you want. As Year 9s will so be choosing options for Key Stage 4, this evening will support students making appropriate choices. Please use the [following link](#) to make bookings. A reminder to all parents and carers that students finish at 1.30pm on this day to allow teachers to prepare.

Adrian Cook
Head of School

Admissions Policy 2025/2026

Worthing High School are starting the 6 week consultation process today for changes to the Admissions Policy for 2025/2026. All the information can be accessed on our website using the attached link. [Admissions Policy 2025/2026 Consultation](#) The consultation runs from 02 November 2023 to 14 December 2023.

The Influenza nasal spray vaccination - Wednesday 15 November 2023

Please can we ask parents to make sure that their child has had breakfast and brings in a water bottle on Wednesday.

Message from our MFL team

Calling all EAL speakers! Here at Worthing High School we are pleased to be able to offer the following Modern Foreign Language GCSE's this Summer. These are obviously in addition to the languages we teach here (French, German & Spanish).

Greek
Italian
Mandarin
Polish
Portuguese
Turkish

If you believe your child can write, speak, listen and read in 3 different time frames (past, present and future) in one of these languages, and would like to be entered for a GCSE, please let me know. We will facilitate the sitting of the exams.

Many thanks
Holly Varley
(For and on behalf of the MFL team)

Art News

Tis the Season to be Jolly and get Creative,

Year 7 Students you are invited to take part in a competition to design our school Christmas Card that will be printed and sent to the family and friends of Worthing High School.

Entries no bigger than A5 can be drawn, painted, collaged, digital, printed or students own Christmas inspired photograph.

Artwork must be your own original work.

The winner and 2 runners up will receive Christmas chocolates and Art Ambassador Badges.

Good luck, entries to be handed in to Mrs Hunt in Art F9 by end of Friday 17 November.

in readiness to be judged by Art Team and Mr Panayiotou.

Please see the attached poster.

Year 10 and Year 11– Post 16 Options Events for 2023

We are delighted to confirm that we will once again be hosting our popular Post 16 Options evening on **Thursday 30 November 2023 from 5.00 -7.30pm.**

The evening will provide WHS Students, their Parents and Carers with an opportunity to meet and speak face to face with a large number of local Colleges, Sixth Forms, Apprenticeship providers,

Businesses and Armed Service representatives about what each of their Centre's has to offer our students as they move on from WHS. Please [click here](#) for further information.

Wellbeing support

Find It Out Centre: Located in Worthing Town Centre. Platform for signposting 11-25 year olds to 1:1 and small group one off or long term support from YES (Youth Emotional Support) with relationships, education, health and wellbeing. Plethora of support from this service (free).

Allsorts: 1:1 and small group support aimed specifically at those within the LGBTQIA+ community. (Free).

Hear for You: Independent Counselling service that provides 1:1 counselling support. (Charitable donation per session to be negotiated with organisation).

West Sussex Mind: Mental Health Support for 16–25-year-olds, including Young Minds, offering 24/7 crisis support. (Free).

SHOUT (85258): (Free) 24/7 mental health text support service.

CGL (Change Grow Live): 1:1 and small group support for those wanting help for their drug and alcohol use (Free).

Safe:Space Sussex: Support for those that may be affected by domestic abuse, sexual or criminal exploitation within the community (Free)

Message from WSCC below

Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme please [click here](#) for further information

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Club and Fixture timetable for Autumn Term 2

Most clubs will run 3:15 - 4:15pm; some clubs run at slightly different times, please check the New Autumn Term 2 club timetable **carefully** [click here](#). 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 at this [click here](#) and will be updated every Friday by 1pm.

There will also be no clubs running Friday 3 November due to Focus day.

Marie Field
Leader of PE

Student Attendance and Absence Line

To report a student absence please can you use the **student absence line only – 01903 229290**. Please call before 9.00 am.

If you are interested and would like more information, please email appealsadministrator@westsussex.gov.uk with your details and we will get in touch.

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

Thursday 16 November – Year 9 Subject Review Evening – Students finish at 1.30pm

Monday 27 November – Inset Day

Thursday 30 November 2023 from 5.00 -7.30pm - Year 10 and Year 11– Post 16 Options Event for 2023

Wednesday 6 December 2023 – School Christmas Lunch – further information will go out shortly.

Wednesday 13 December 2023 – Year 11 Subject Review Evening – further information will go out shortly.

Thursday 14 December 2023 – School Christmas Show – further information will go out shortly.