

SCHOOL NEWS 23 NOVEMBER 2023

Dear parents and carers

We hope the Year 11 cohort and our Duke of Edinburgh students have left school feeling inspired, after their presentation from Dwayne Fields. We hope that Dwayne's inspirational story is motivational and his message of always following your passion is one that resonates with our students. Dwayne will also be our guest speaker at tonight's presentation evening, where the class of 2023 will be recognised for their hard work and achievement.

Dwayne is co-founder of #WeTwo Foundation, they are looking for nominations for underprivileged young people (aged 16-19) to go on a carbon negative expedition. Please click <u>here</u> for further information.

Thank you to all staff, parents and carers for their engagement with our Subject Review Evening last Thursday; this event was extremely well attended and our parent/carer feedback is hugely complimentary to our teachers, who go above and beyond on a daily basis. These evenings are very important and we encourage all families to attend. The next one is on <u>Wednesday</u> 13 December and is for Year 11. Booking information will be shared soon. Please email <u>office@worthinghigh.net</u> if you have any questions or require any support booking appointments. A reminder school ends at 1:30pm for all students on this day, to allow staff to prepare for the consultations.

There will be road repairs being carried out on St Lawrence Ave near the Junction with South Farm Road, this work will be carried out during the school day tomorrow, Friday 24 November. Parents and carers are advised there will be traffic parking restrictions at the start and end of the school day.

Finally, a reminder that next Monday is an INSET day, so school is closed to all students.

Adrian Cook Head of School

Information below from Sussex Police and Adur and Worthing Safer Communities Team

Sussex Police and Adur & Worthing Safer Communities Team would like to host a session for the parents/carers of high school aged children to explore some key themes and areas where you may have concerns, e.g.:

- Knife Crime Drugs/Vapes
- Anti-Social Behaviour
- Online Risks
- Personal Safety in the Community

The event will take place on a weekday evening in mid-January. If you would be interested in attending this event, please complete <u>this short form</u> to express your interest.

For any comments or questions, please contact safer.communities@adur-worthing.gov.uk

E-safety

E-safety is a key priority in ensuring students and children stay safe. The following link gives practical advice and strategies for families in managing e-safety at home with their children: https://www.skipseducational.org/safety-net/

Find it out Centre

The Find it out centre are trialling running sessions from schools and Worthing High School is one of the pilots. If your child would like to speak to one of the Find It Out staff they will be based in B5 on a Tuesday from 3.30-4.30. The attached flyer has more details.

Mr Simpson

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. <u>Admissions Policy 2025/2026 Consultation</u> The consultation runs from 02 November 2023 to 14 December 2023.

Canteen Christmas Lunch for Staff and Students – 6 December 2023

The Canteen traditional Christmas lunch will be available in school on Wednesday 6 December. The price of this roast turkey 2 course meal or vegetarian alternative will be £2.40.

Bookings will open on Monday 20 November 2023 and will close on Friday 1 December. All students must book direct in the Canteen at the tills: payment will be deducted from students' accounts at the time of booking. If funds are added via Wisepay for the lunch, the order still needs to be placed at the tills in the canteen.

Students entitled to Free School Meals must also book direct in the Canteen and payment will be taken on 6 December, so as not to affect their daily allowance. They should make it clear at the time of booking that they are entitled to Free School Meals.

Please see the attached menu.

The canteen will only be open at lunchtime on this day to those students who have ordered the Christmas Meal. Snack 14 and the catering POD will be open for all students who have not ordered the Christmas meal.

Non-Uniform Day – Friday 1 December 2023

Friday, the 1st of December will be a non-school uniform day to raise funds for the school in order to enhance student experiences. Please make your donations of £1 on wise pay.

School Council

The School Council are hosting a Christmas film night to raise funds for Friends of Worthing High in the Millennium Hall on the 7th December 5 - 7pm.

We're watching Shrek! We ask for a £2.50 donation via Wisepay and there's a tuck shop available so bring cash! From The School Council.

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 <u>click here</u> for further information.

Information for year 11 Students

BHASVIC & Varndean 2024 Applications

Just a reminder that for any students who will be applying to either of these two colleges, that the end of November deadline is fast approaching.

Should students need any help or support with these applications please call into the Careers Office or email Mr Fisher. <u>mfisher@worthinghigh.net</u>

Also. please remember you cannot apply to both colleges!

Message below from Audio Active

We are delighted that we are able to host a Christmas HAF (Holiday and Food Club) this year

The programme will run from the 28th December - 31st December.

We will be delivering 4 amazing fun packed days of music making- Rapping, Songwriting, Beat Making, Instruments, Recording and Performing. All culminating with a fantastic New year's Eve Party where all will be welcome.

All young students in receipt of Free School Meals and aged between 12- 16 can apply, the programme is free with a hot meal provided.

Info is here on our website: - https://audioactive.org.uk/hafo

The direct link for signing up is here: - https://haf.bookinglab.co.uk/westsussex/37147/login

Message from WSCC below

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

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Year 10 Boys District Rugby Final

We wish the Year 10 Boys Rugby team well in their final tomorrow against Steyning. It is an incredible achievement reaching the final. Good luck to both teams.

District Cross Country

Well done to all WHS students who took part in the meet yesterday. We are awaiting the final results but some incredible individual performances well done.

Club and Fixture timetable for Autumn Term 2

Most clubs will run <u>3:15 - 4:15pm</u>; some clubs run at slightly different times, please check the New Autumn Term 2 club timetable **carefully** <u>click here</u> 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 <u>click here</u> and will be updated every Friday by 1pm.

Early information: Wednesday 6th December no Basketball club

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.

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

Monday 27 November – Inset Day - School Closed 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 – see above 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.