

### **SCHOOL NEWS 8 FEBRUARY 2024**

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

As our first half of the Spring term in 2024 comes to an end tomorrow, I wanted to thank our students for their positive return to school.

As a parent/carer your engagement with your child's education is key and we are fortunate enough to have a strong Parent Forum, Friends of Worthing High School and also our Parent Governors. As with all these groups, it is important to ensure that you as parents/carers have an opportunity to give your views and support our school's values and priorities.

We currently have vacancies for all three: Parent Governors, FOWHS and our Parent Forum, and would welcome parents/carers who wish to be involved.

If you are interested in becoming actively involved and supporting WHS and your child, we would love to hear from you. I appreciate that we are all very busy, but without your support some of the key elements we wish to develop might struggle without your involvement and participation. Please contact Sophie Brooks <a href="mailto:sbrooks@worthinghigh.net">sbrooks@worthinghigh.net</a> if you would like to find out more information.

Thank you for your consideration and when you have 10 minutes, please see our <u>Spring 1 Newsletter</u> with all the incredible events and experiences your child has had this half term.

On behalf of myself, Governors and Trustees I hope you all have a restful and safe break when you get there!

Pan Panayiotou
Executive Headteacher
CEO South Downs Education Trust

Just a quick note this week because our full half term newsletter is available for you to read.

Thank you to all those parents and carers who are attending our subject review evening for year 10, this evening.

A quick reminder that tomorrow is a non-uniform day, details can be found below I wish you all a restful half term break and encourage you to read out half termly newsletter.

Adrian Cook Head of School

# School term dates for 2024/2025

Please be advised that we will be sending these out tomorrow.

## Parental online safety information:

The link below will support you in ensuring your child stays safe online and you are knowledgeable of some of the risks young people face when online:

 $\frac{https://safeguarding.thekeysupport.com/parent-online-safety-zone/?org=33687dcf-ebef-4d35-aa9a-2feb601cd46d}{aa9a-2feb601cd46d}$ 

### **Children's Mental Health Week 5-11 February**

Leading up to Children's Mental Health Week (5-11 February) the school will be running assemblies sharing information regarding the initiative Here 4 You (<a href="www.here4you.co.uk">www.here4you.co.uk</a>). If you feel your child needs support, please liaise with your child's pastoral leader or for immediate mental health support please go to <a href="www.here4you.co.uk/immediate-support/">www.here4you.co.uk/immediate-support/</a>

#### Non-uniform day - 9 February - West Sussex Mind

Friday 9 February will be a non-uniform day for students. As it falls into Children's Mental Health week, our charity reps have chosen to raise money for West Sussex Mind. If your child wants to attend in non-uniform on the 9 of February, we ask for a donation of £1, which can be paid on the day or in the week leading up to the non-uniform day. Children can bring the money into school and give it to their form tutor, or it can be paid through Wisepay. *Please see the attached letter for more information*.

### Message from WSCC - Holiday Activities and Food (HAF)

Bookings for the Easter HAF Programme can be made from the 19 February 2024. Places are available at a range of different holiday clubs across the county for children receiving benefits related Free School Meals (FSM) – each session includes a free nutritious meal, and every eligible child can attend up to 4 sessions.

https://schools.westsussex.gov.uk/Article/154060?source=Newsletter&guid=39780E28-AE36-4D45-AFF8-ADFFA69CD1AE

### **New Generation Juice**

We are excited to launch our new generation juice facility in the school. **Students had an assembly last week explaining how and where to buy tokens and when they can use the new juice machine.** 

 $\frac{https://docs.google.com/document/d/13dRf3UFHzjI7DR5weW5dDAYi1gjQK0QQ/edit?usp=sharing\&ouid=116728131409764280350\&rtpof=true\&sd=true$ 

### **Donate Uniform**

If you have any unwanted uniform that you would be willing to donate to our FOWHS please can you drop to Student Services. All proceeds from second hand uniform is used to support other families in need.

Thank you Mr N Mariosa

## **QUIZ NIGHT- Friday 17 May Quiz Night**

Hot food, drinks on ice and the chance to be crowned WHS champions at the Friends of Worthing High School's Quiz Night on Friday 17 May. Details on securing your quiz team's table will be sent after half term.

### **PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

Please see link to the clubs and fixtures timetable for after half term. All clubs will start back Monday 19 February. Please be aware all clubs in the MH or Sports hall (Badminton, Table Tennis and basketball) will start back Monday 4 March due to Year 11 mock examinations.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1mW99An2zrDIFq-COOZd81wJ-cYngUmmM/edit

# Club and Fixture timetable for Spring Term 1 clubs

Spring Term 2 clubs click here.

The weekly newsflash can be found here <u>click here</u> and will be updated every Friday by 1pm.

Marie Field Leader of PE

## Forthcoming Subject and Academic Review Evenings are as follows:

Subject Review Evenings (SRE)	Date
SRE Yr8 - Face to face	02/05/2024
SRE Yr7 - Face to face	21/03/2024

Academic Review Evenings (ARE) - all virtual	Date
ARE Yr11	18/04/2024
ARE Yr9	20/06/2024
ARE Yr10	04/07/2024

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

We advertise staff vacancies on our website under <u>Join Us/Vacancies</u>. Please take the time to have a look and share the information with anybody you know who might be interested in applying.

We are currently advertising for the following positions:

### **Teaching**

No current vacancies

# **Non-Teaching**

Pastoral Leader Behaviour Support Officer (Maternity Cover) Higher Level Teaching Assistant – EBSA Therapeutic Behaviour Support Assistant Exam Invigilators

### **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 8 February 2024 – Year 10 Subject Review Evening Friday 9 February 2024 – Last day of term Monday 12 to Friday 16 February 2024 inclusive – Half Term

# **INSET Days for Academic Year 2023-24.**

# The school will be closed to students on these days:

Wednesday 19/06/2024 - INSET day Monday 22/07/2024 - INSET day Tuesday 23/07/2024 - INSET day