



SCHOOL NEWS 14 MARCH 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

There is lots to celebrate this week, and some outstanding student achievements I would like to share with parents and carers. On Tuesday, a number of students entered the Faraday Challenge at St Oscar Romero School. This is a STEAM-based competition with participants from schools across the locality and I am proud to share that the Worthing High School Team won – well done to the team and to Mrs Petrie for preparing them. Yesterday a number of our dancers competed in the Dance Live competition in Surrey and did an amazing job. Thank you to Miss Strudwick, Mrs Batchelor and the rest of the team that worked so hard to choreograph and prepare the dancers who delivered an amazing performance.

Next week we will be hosting our Year 7 Subject Review Evening which is a face-to-face event in school. If you haven't managed to book and would like to, please use the school cloud platform to do so. Ahead of this evening, parents and carers will receive a progress report. The SRE is an opportunity to discuss this in more detail with your child's teachers and to speak about their attainment and progress in each of the subject areas.

Also next week, we will be launching our new Juice machines and reusable bottles. All Year 7 students will receive a complimentary reusable bottle, these will then be made available to Year 8 to 11 students who can purchase for £1 at the canteen. If your child would like to purchase one, please add an additional £1 to their WisePay account. If your child is in receipt of free school meals, the bottle will be offered free of charge. The machines are located in the main canteen, and the serveries outside the millennium Hall and on the North Playground. Please see the attached for further information.

Adrian Cook
Head of School

Young Carers

Definition of a young carer - a young carer is a young person under the age of 18 whose life is affected by the care needs of another person who may have any disability or long-term illness. This could be a family member or friend with a lifelong condition, physical or learning disability, serious injury, mental health problem, long term chronic health condition, an addiction, or who is frail due to old age.

Please let us know if your child/ren qualifies as a young carer using the below form. You are able to indicate on the form if your child/ren require any further support from their relevant pastoral leader, we can also support by referring to outside agencies if required.

Link to form: <https://forms.gle/J7aDMcxU127z7X4v6>

World Down Syndrome Day

To recognise and celebrate World Down Syndrome Day we are inviting all students to wear odd or brightly coloured socks on 21 March.

West Sussex Disability Register

West Sussex Libraries manages the West Sussex Disability Register, a database of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). Please see the attached for further information.

STEAM Update - Faraday Challenge

Tuesday this week 6 students were taken to participate in the Faraday Challenge. An annual competition with a real-world challenge for pupils aged 12-13 years. Students were given a brief, which asks them to design a device which solved a problem.

The students worked well together, using electronics, science knowledge and engineering processes to design and build a working model of their idea. They were scored on many aspects of the day including the final presentation of their idea. ALL of the students did well, and we were delighted to bring back the trophy as winners. [Click here](#)

There are many opportunities to get involved with STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths) at Worthing High School.

UK Maths Challenge 2023–2024 Results KS4

Our KS4 students Year 9s and Year 10s achievement in UKMT challenge competition which took place on the 31 of January who achieved bronze and silver certificates and Colin Yu in Year9 earned a place to move up to the next level challenge. [Click here](#)

Comic Relief

Friday 15 March we will again be raising money for Comic Relief through encouraging students to get involved in a number of activities to raise much needed funds for charities and organisations both in the UK and abroad. **There will be a non-school uniform day in aid of Comic Relief on the 28th March which is the last day of the Spring term. More information will be given about this nearer the time.**

This year the following activities will be taking place:

- Welly Wanging - Friday 15 at lunchtime on the school field. Students pay 50p for 3 wellies. The aim is to throw them as far as you can and there will be a prize for the furthest in each year group.
- Coin Trail - Friday 15 at Lunchtime in the Sports Hall. Students can bring in any coins, 1p and 2p coins preferred, but other values accepted. In year groups students will make a trail with the coins placed end to end and the furthest distance of coins are crowned champions. Please have a look for any change down the back of the sofa or hiding in drawers and use it to add to the coin trail.
- Book Sale - Tuesday 19 March at Lunchtime in the Millennium Hall. An opportunity to donate any old books that your child no longer reads or wants and maybe pick up a bargain or 2 from ex school library stock or books that other students may have donated. Books will be priced at 50p each and all money goes to Comic Relief. Donations of books for ages 11-16, in a good condition, can be brought to the LRC on Monday 18 and the morning of Tuesday 19 March. Please do not send them in before as we cannot store them and will have to send them home again.

Thank you for your support and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at jfenlon@worthinghigh.net.

Mr Fenlon & Mrs Regan
Community and Charity Co-Ordinators

Easter Egg collection

We will be delivering Easter Eggs to one of our dominated local charities the week beginning the 25 March. If you are able to add an extra Easter Egg into your shopping over the next week, please hand in to Mrs Hopkins or tutors and we will make sure they go to a worthy home.

Thank you

Year 7 Breakfast Club Survey

Earlier this week we sent families a link to a survey to gather your opinions on a possible weekly breakfast club for Year 7s. If you have a child in Year 7, we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to complete this by Monday 18 March. **Thank you to those who have already responded, your feedback is very useful.**

QUIZ NIGHT- Friday 17 May Quiz Night (18s and over only)

Following on from last year's successful Quiz Night, Friends of Worthing High School (FOWHS) once again would like to invite you to join us at the school for a fantastic evening of quizzing on Friday 17 May. Tables can be booked for up to 8 players per table with doors opening at 18.30 and finishing around 22.00. Hot food (pizzas), drinks on ice and the chance to be crowned WHS 2024 quiz champions all await please book your table using the following form:

<https://forms.gle/bhLtwJFqjeeePdBW9>

Out of Bounds in Angmering have a SEND event coming up on Sunday 7 April from 5-7.30pm Please see the attached flyer for further 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>

Physical Education

Well done

Amelie Beadle-Gates will be travelling to Liverpool for the prestigious Gymnastics British Championships which she qualified for last week at The English Championships against some of the best gymnasts in the country.

She will also get her official British ranking after the competition which is a great accomplishment in itself. We all wish you good luck.

Elise Aston competed in the under 13's Intercounties, this is an outstanding achievement, finishing 2nd in Sussex and 38th in the UK. Congratulations.

Congratulations to Sean Edih who has been selected to play for Harlequins 1 in the Bristol Festival. Sean is a Worthing u15s player at Worthing Rugby Club.

Table tennis club cancelled until September

Unfortunately, Table tennis club is cancelled until September due to the coach being unavailable.

Apologies for the inconvenience.

Club and Fixture timetable for Spring Term 2 clubs

Spring Term 2 clubs [click here](#).

The weekly newflash can be found here [click here](#) 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 [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.

We are currently advertising for the following positions:

Teaching

English Teacher - Worthing High School

KS1 and EYFS or KS2 Teacher – Clapham and Patching CofE Primary School

Non-Teaching

Facilities Officer

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

Start/end of term arrangements

Term ends at 3:10 on Thursday 28 March, students return back at **10:40am** on Monday 15 April.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 21 March – Year 7 Subject Review Evening

Thursday 21 March – **Early Finish, students leave at 13:30**

Thursday 28 March - last day of Spring term **student leave at 3.10pm**

Thursday 28 March – **Non-Uniform day in aid of Comic Relief**

Friday 29 March – 12 April inclusive - Easter Holidays

Monday 15 April – whole school returns after Easter break. **Students to start at 10.40am**

Thursday 18 April – Year 11 Virtual ARE evening – further information will go out shortly.

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