



SCHOOL NEWS 28 MARCH 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As our Spring term 2024 draws to a close today, I just want to thank you, as parents and carers, for your constant and unwavering support.

When you have a good 10 minutes, please read through our Spring 2 Newsletter [Link to Newsletter] to see all the incredible events and experiences your child has had since the last edition went out at February half term.

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

Pan Panayiotou
Executive Headteacher
CEO South Downs Education Trust

Just a short note and a few key messages from me this week as the termly newsletter is available. Thank you to Parents, carers staff and students for their support and endeavours this term. It has been a hugely productive term with countless achievements and celebrations. Please do read our [termly newsletter](#) for mor details

Start of term arrangements

Students return on Monday 15 April and need to be in **tutor for the later time of 10:40am** where they will be registered and key information will be shared. Gates will be open from 10:25am, at which point students should make their way to their tutor base. Lesson will start as normal Period 3.

Year 11 exams and study leave

Written examinations will begin on Thursday 9 May; we are therefore starting study leave the following week from Monday 13 May. From this point Year 11s only need to come in for examinations. Their leavers assembly will take place from 11:30am on 10 May, after which they will be dismissed to go home.

Students should still come to school in full uniform and must be punctual. Before some exams, there will be revision sessions and information about these will be shared on Google Classroom.

There will be a staffed study room available for year 11, should they need a quiet place to study. The location of this room will also be shared via Google classroom.

I would like to say well done and good luck to the year 11s. Keep up the hard work and sacrifices as this is now the final push.

If you have been invited to an Easter intervention, please make sure you attend details are on Google classroom, and further information will be shared about period 0 and 6 sessions shortly.

Have a lovely break

Kind regards

Mr A Cook
Head of School
Worthing High School

English Bedrock Homework – Year 7 / Year 8

As part of the school's ongoing commitment to evidence-based literacy instruction, we are partnered with literacy improvement specialists **Bedrock Learning**. Built by former English teachers, Bedrock Learning is a digital literacy platform which offers learners a carefully sequenced and adaptive **vocabulary and grammar curriculum**. It exposes learners to new words and grammatical concepts through a rich diet of culturally valuable fiction and non-fiction, and its algorithm ensures that learning is personalised to your child, identifying and targeting gaps in knowledge.

When students engage regularly with the programme, this can be a transformative addition to our literacy offering, ensuring that our young people are equipped with the vocabulary and grammatical understanding they need to access the curriculum and express their ideas in every subject.

At WHS students in Year 7 and 8 are expected to carry out Bedrock Vocabulary lessons online for homework, to achieve a minimum of 20 points a week. Homework is set on a Monday and is due by the following Sunday. Teachers receive a report on Monday morning to track student engagement and progress. Those who do not achieve the required 20 points will be set an after school detention for the following Tuesday for 30 minutes. This is held in B3, a computer room, to allow them to catch up with their missing homework for English.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/19dwasPzmhei3F9IAmCHUwJJBrimdGiV19oOZ6p919Uo/edit?usp=sharing>

Why not join our Drama Club

After the Easter holidays every Tuesday in the drama studio 3.15pm – 4pm everyone welcome. We will begin to work towards a summer showcase of imaginative scripts and devised performances.

QUIZ NIGHT- Friday 17 May Quiz Night

There will be 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. To book a table before the event is sold out, please register here <https://forms.gle/5GW39HgA7Ca67b919> by Friday 3rd May. **ADD POSTER**

West Sussex Music

Please see the attached flyer with information of holiday activities with West Sussex Music.

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>

Absence for Medical Appointments and Early leave Requests.

Can we please remind parents/carers that we need to be made aware of medical appointments or early leave requests prior to the day where possible. You can leave a message on the absence line. 01903 229 290 or email office@worthinghigh.net

Physical Education

Congratulations and well done

Judo success for Conrad - Conrad won 2 golds in the Newaza competition at the Sobell Centre in London. Other competitors in his second group were in their 20s and many had a BJJ.

He has also been selected to represent Sussex Judo on a 2-day training camp at the University of Bath in June. Which will be a great all-round experience for him.

Dance Success

Well done to all the fantastic Worthing High school dancers for an absolutely amazing Dance Live piece and a brilliant contemporary /street combined piece to close Time to Dance last night.

Football Success

Well done to Silvana in Year 11 who has been selected for the England Women's Under 16 Squad during the Easter Holidays.

Club and Fixture timetable for Summer Term 1 clubs

Summer Term 1 clubs [click here](#).

Please note Basketball club will start Friday 19th April and will NOT run Wednesday 17 April

The weekly newsflash 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

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

No current vacancies

Non-Teaching

Higher Level Teaching Assistant – Alternative Provision and SEND Behaviour

EBSA Lead Practitioner

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

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