

SCHOOL NEWS 25 APRIL 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Only two weeks in to summer term one and already Year 11 are starting examinations. This week, the Spanish and German speaking exams have taken place, in addition to the first part of the textiles exam. This is on top of the numerous non examined assessments that have already taken place. I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Year 11s for being such excellent role models and to congratulate them on their conduct so far. They are approaching their first written exam on 8 May, maturely and extremely well prepared.

The exam period can be extremely stressful for students, so if you feel worried or would like some support helping your child through this period, please contact their pastoral leader Mrs T Gordon, tgordon@worthinghigh.net.

Supporting wellbeing is one of the most important things we can do in partnership and it is vital that parents and carers know who to contact if they require support or have any concerns around their child. The first point of contact should be the tutor or the pastoral leader, please see list of pastoral leaders below.

Mr J Facey – Year 7 - <u>jfacey@worthinghigh.net</u>

Mr J Fenlon – Year 8 – <u>jfenlon@worthinghigh.net</u>

Mrs J Rhodes – Year 9 – <u>jrhodes@worthinghigh.net</u>

Miss L Haslam - Year 10 - lhaslam@worthinghigh.net

Mrs T Gordon – Year 11 – tgordon@worthinghigh.net

You will notice there is a new name in the Year 9 pastoral team as we welcome Jenifer Rhodes to Worthing High, who has now started as the new Year 9 Pastoral leader.

A reminder that the Year 8 Subject Review evening is next Thursday 2 May, this is face-to-face and will be an opportunity to discuss progress with your child's teachers. To support preparation for this, the school closes early and on this day, students will be dismissed at 1:30pm

Adrian Cook Head of School

Worthing High School - Catering update

Due to the growing cost of ingredients, our catering team have had to increase their prices and the meal deal in the canteen is now £2.60. If your child receives free school meals, this rise in cost will be reflected in their daily allowance. A full list of prices can be found on the website, using the link above.

Year 9 - Teen Booster Vaccinations - Wednesday 1 May 2024

Please can we ask students to wear short sleeve shirts on Wednesday if they have registered to have the Teen Booster Vaccination. Please can you also make sure your child brings in a water bottle and has eaten breakfast on this day.

Year 8 Subject Review Evening Thursday 2 May 2024 - Reminder

Booking will close on Tuesday 30 April 2024 at 9am.

Please visit https://worthinghigh.schoolcloud.co.uk/ to book your appointments if you have not done so already.

PSHE

As part of your child's Personal Development, they cover Health and Wellbeing, Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) and Living in the Wider World within their PSHE lessons. This half term, students across the school will be covering the below topics:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Protected	Tolerance and	Miscarriage and	Pornography	Wellbeing during
Characteristics	Mutual respect	unplanned		exams
		pregnancy		
Healthy Living	Conflict at home	Sexually	Teen Pregnancy	
		transmitted		
		infections		
Personal Hygiene	LGBT+	Readiness for sex	Adoption and	
	relationships		fostering	

If you have any questions about what is covered in PSHE lessons, please contact your child's Pastoral Leader. This website also gives information about how to have challenging conversations with young people: https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/talking-about-difficult-topics/

The Wonder Club

Free, for ages 13 - 18

A creative programme for young people interested in experimental filmmaking and visual arts. Explore early filmmaking with artist Chahine Fellahi. Fuse analogue and digital and rekindle the spirit of discovery, enchantment and innovation that marked the early days of filmmaking.

Saturdays (11am - 4pm) at Hove Museum of Creativity:

Saturday 4 May

Saturday 8 June

Saturday 13 July

Saturday 10 August

Saturday 14 September

Register at https://forms.gle/Z1UxepfS7gfFTXua8

Find out more at https://www.corridorprojects.org.uk/days-of-wonder

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.

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

Conrad Year 10 Judo success

Well done to Conrad who secured his place in the Sussex County Judo Team after competing in the U16s and the Seniors Sussex British Judo Association Trials. Conrad won 2 Golds and was unbeaten – incredible performance.

Aimee Year 7 Trampolining success

Aimee competed in the South East Regional Qualifiers in Trampolining. She came first and with the highest score she has now been invited to compete as part of the South East team at the Inter-Regional Challenge Cup in Birmingham in July. Fantastic achievement.

Ava Year 8 Table Tennis news

We wish Ava good luck in the National Schools table tennis competition this weekend in Wolverhampton.

Club and Fixture timetable for Summer Term 1 clubs

Summer Term 1 clubs click here.

Please note Basketball club will start Friday 19th April

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

Academic Review Evenings (ARE) - all virtual	Date
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

Subject Leader Maths Maths Teacher Subject Leader Computing

Non-Teaching

No current vacancies

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: @sdet

South Downs Education Trust: @sdetrust

Trips: @worthinghighout

Worthing High Careers and Employability Service: @WorthingHighCar

Lettings: @HighLettings

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 1 May – Year 9 Teen Booster immunisations Thursday 2 May – 13:30 finish for students (Year 8 SRE) Monday 6 May – Bank Holiday (the school will be closed) Wednesday 8 May – Year 11 Photos

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