



## SCHOOL NEWS 16 MAY 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

This morning, our new prefect team were presented with their prefect ties and badges. A huge congratulations to all of them for their new student leadership roles. We often speak to students about the importance of participating in the wider school community, whether that be through student leadership, sports, clubs, or other extracurricular opportunities. The skills they will develop in these environments are valuable both inside and outside of school and developing passions and interests can benefit mental health.

Last Friday, we celebrated the Year 11s last day before they started study leave by gathering for a leaver's assembly. As they have been throughout their time at Worthing High, they were a credit to themselves and left on a real positive. They are now well into the exam season and continue to conduct themselves with maturity when they are in school. If you have any concerns and require support, please remember the Year 11s are very much still part of the school community, and Mrs Gordon, their Pastoral leader is available if needed.

Next week is the final week of half term, so we ask students for one last push, before they enjoy a well earned break. Good attendance is vital to success in school and we urge students to make sure they attend every day. If you have any concerns around this or require support improving your child's attendance, please contact their tutor, in the first instance.

In the last week of the half term, you will notice a new communication will be shared with you regarding your child's attendance. The communication aims to share the status of your child's attendance for that half term.

Thank you to our parent forum who met last week. As always, their insight and opinions are invaluable to the running of the school. We will be developing the role of the forum next academic year and sharing information about this next term. If you are interested in joining this group, please do let us know by contacting [office@worthinghigh.net](mailto:office@worthinghigh.net).

I would like to thank Mrs Petrie and her team for organising and leading a trip to Space Camp in Belgium. The trip went out last Friday and came back on Tuesday. The students thoroughly enjoyed themselves and learnt a lot.

Adrian Cook  
Head of School

### **Message from SWI (our uniform suppliers)**

#### **We're back to school ready!**

Our message for parents to shop in June and July remains the same. Our school resources have been updated for you to access on our website.

Parents who shop at SWI this summer will benefit from:

- Extended returns to 15th September in case of summer growth
- New improved sizing tools that help you get the right size, every time

- Our lowest offers across essential uniforms and additional accessories
- Sign up for our Summer Prize Draw and be in for a chance to win 1 in 20 £50 vouchers!

### **We're transitioning our products to eco**

We are making changes to ensure our products are friendly to the planet, and students. One step at a time, we're making a positive difference. Take a look at our eco essentials range that boasts both high quality and affordability too!

[View Eco Essentials](#)

### **We're doing great things!**

Here's some great news! Our parent company, Banner Group, has achieved B-Corp status – meaning that we have joined a rapidly growing global community of like-minded organisations who are using business as a force for good.

### **We've made finding their size easy**

We ensure that the sizing woes are no longer. Thanks to our easy-to-use digital sizing tool you can get the right size, every time. Simply enter your child's measurements and desired fit for the perfect school uniform.

### **Equipment:**

I wanted to send a reminder of the equipment that your child needs for school. This time of year, usually sees a drop off in the standard of equipment and whilst your child might have everything they need at the start of the year, it may be that their pencil cases need checking to ensure that they have all that they need to be 'ready to learn' in lessons:

- Writing Pens (more than 1 in blue or black)
- Pencils
- Glue
- Scissors
- Green Pens
- Ruler
- Maths set (compass, protractor etc.)
- Calculator
- Rubber
- Pencil Sharpener
- Colouring pencils
- Highlighters
- Reading book
- Pencil case

Thank you for your support in ensuring that there aren't barriers to student's learning in lessons.

### **Year 7 Breakfast Club**

After half-term, we will be trialling a free Year 7 Breakfast Club on Monday mornings from 8.05am in the LRC. From Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, Year 7 students can come to the LRC and enjoy

breakfast pastries, fruit and juice before school.

During Breakfast Club, other year groups will still be able to borrow, return and renew books, use computers (for homework only) and access the stationery shop.

### **Non-Uniform Day**

The school will be holding a charity non-uniform day on Friday 24th May prior to the half-term holiday.

As the non-uniform day falls just after Dementia Awareness Week, we will be raising money for Guildcare.

Guildcare is Worthing's leading social care charity. They have recently celebrated their 90th birthday and offer residential and day care to those with dementia, among other services within our community. You can find out more at <https://www.guildcare.org/>

On our non-uniform day, students should observe the following:

- Students can wear any **suitable** non-uniform.
- Usual standards regarding jewellery, make up and suitable hair styles and colours will still be in place.
- Students that have P.E on the day may wear non-uniform but must have appropriate footwear for a P.E lesson (they must bring trainers).

We suggest a contribution of £1.00 from your child which can be paid through Wisepay, or they can bring in their cash donation the week leading up to the 24th May and hand it to their Form Tutors. This ensures that all contributions are collected and accounted for in advance of the day.

***I would like to emphasise to students that normal lessons will take place and therefore items and styles of an inappropriate nature will not be permitted and this does include hair dye.***

We are very grateful for your support in raising funds for this vital cause.

Kind regards

**Mrs A Regan**

**Mr J Fenlon**

Whole School Charity and Community Leads

### **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](mailto:office@worthinghigh.net)

### **Physical Education**

### **Worthing Herald Sports Team Special**

The Worthing Herald is delighted to be producing a Sports Teams Feature edition on **Thursday 16 May**. The edition will feature pictures of WHS sports teams. Copies will be on sale at all good retailers in the area from 16 - 22May.

### **Exceptional performances at the Sussex Track and Field Championships**

Well done to Charlie in Year 11 who had a successful day running his first 200m in almost a year, and his first race since February after his latest hamstring injury. Charlie ran a PB in the heat (22.76s), and won gold in the Sussex final.

Well done to Olina in Year 10 who came 1st in the U17 women's javelin. Olina threw a massive 32.98m, a new PB, to become the Sussex County Champion.

Well done to Harry in Year 10 who came 1st in the U17 men's high jump competition becoming Sussex County Champion. Harry also achieved a new PB of 1.73m at the District Athletics event on Monday.

Well done to Elise in Year 8 who came 3rd in the 1500m **with a PB** at the Sussex County Championships and won both the 800m and 1500m at the District Athletics event on Monday.

### **Judo Success**

Well done to Conrad in Year 10 who represented Sussex in the U66 kg, Juniors at the Southern Area Inter-Counties in Kent on Sunday. He won his 3 matches, beating Hampshire, Surrey and Kent helping Sussex to take Gold. Fantastic achievement

### **Club and Fixture timetable for Summer Term 1 clubs**

#### **Basketball Club**

Due to Year 11 examinations Basketball club will start up again in September

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

The weekly newsflash can be found here [click here](#) and will be updated every Friday by 1pm.

Marie Field  
Leader of PE

<b>Academic Review Evenings (ARE) - all virtual</b>	<b>Date</b>
ARE Yr9	04/07/2024
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**

*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: @sdetrust

Trips: @worthinghighout

Worthing High Careers and Employability Service: @WorthingHighCar

Lettings: @HighLettings

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Friday 17 May – FOWHS Quiz Night

Monday 27 May – Bank Holiday

Tuesday 28 May – Friday 31 May - Half Term

Monday 3 June – School returns

**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