



SCHOOL NEWS 14 NOVEMBER 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We started this week by marking Remembrance Day with a two-minute silent reflection across the school, whilst a number of staff and students gathered to hear the playing of the Last Post and Reveille. As always, students embodied our core value of respect and observed this reflection point immaculately. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Emma in Year 9 who played the two pieces of music perfectly.

Yesterday and today, our Year 11 Art students have been sitting their Art mock examinations, which involves two full days of work. So far, their work and conduct has been really impressive. Good luck to all students involved, we look forward to seeing your finished work.

This evening is our first Academic Review Evening (ARE) where parents and carers will have a virtual meeting with their child's tutor. I would like to emphasise that the purpose of this meeting is a check-in and is not a full report on your child's progress; this will come later in the year when we host our Subject Review Evening. The meeting with the tutor will provide an overview of their progress so far, an opportunity to ask any questions about the report you have recently received, and a chance to discuss any support you feel your child might require at this stage.

I would like to remind all students and families about the importance of road safety. It is vital that students are careful when they leave site, and pedestrians cross the road at the designated crossing, on South Farm Road, or at a safe point on St Lawrence Avenue. These roads get very busy, and students must be cautious. Please can I also remind students that they must have a helmet if they are cycling to school. If they do not have one, our priority is to keep them safe, and without a helmet we will not allow them to cycle home. In this circumstance we will safely impound their bikes until parents/carers collect it, or until the student returns with a helmet, to safely cycle home. Thank you for your support with this. Finally, we are still seeking parents and carers who are interested in joining our Parent/Carer forum. This group meets each term to discuss the strategic direction, effectiveness, and future plans of the school. We are keen to develop and grow this group and will work as flexibly as we can to make it as easy as possible to attend. If you are interested, please email office@worthinghigh.net. Thank you to all those parents and carers who have already expressed an interest, we will be in contact soon with more details.

Adrian Cook
Head of School

Asda Cash pot for Schools

We are excited to inform you Clapham and Patching CofE Primary School are taking part in Asda Cash Pots in conjunction with Parentkind. If you shop in Asda we would love you to download the Asda rewards app and select our school for your cash pot. It doesn't cost you anything, but it means we, as a primary school, receive some money. It isn't running for much longer, but every little bit helps! There are 18 days left to take part and raise us some money. As a small school, this would really mean a lot to us. Thank you!

Action Your Potential

Season 2 of Action Your Potential is begun. Bite-sized brain science podcast AYP Spike is back. New episodes are dropping every Tuesday and Friday for the foreseeable future wherever you get your podcasts. Please see the link to access the podcasts [AYP Spike](#).



Christmas Lunch

The canteen traditional Christmas lunch will be available in school on Wednesday 11 December.

The cost of this roast turkey 2 course meal or vegetarian alternative will be £3.50 please see the attached menu. The canteen will only be open at lunchtime on this day for those students who are having Christmas lunch.

There is no requirement to book. Payment will be taken at the tills as normal on the day.

The daily FSM allowance will cover the cost of the Christmas lunch.

Snack 14 at the Millennium Hall and the Catering Pod in the North Playground will be open at lunch time for all those students wishing not to have a Christmas lunch.

School Council

We at the School Council will be collecting advent calendars during November which we will hope to distribute to some members of our school community at the beginning of December and we would be very grateful for your support. Any type of advent calendar will be gratefully received. Please ask your child to leave your donations with Mrs Hopkins in her office half way up the E corridor stairs.

In addition to this, the school council are hoping to spread some Christmas joy with another project; if you have any spare shoeboxes, please also leave these with Mrs Hopkins. More information to follow about this project soon!

New Worthing Youth Forum

Sussex Police, Adur & Worthing Council and The Sid Youth are starting a youth forum in Worthing in November. The forum will offer a chance for young people to explore issues

such as safety in the community, the impact of social media, knife crime, and topics of their choice with professionals. The sessions will take place monthly on a Tuesday between 5-7pm. Pizza and drinks will be provided.

If your child would be interested in attending, please email office@worthinghigh.net no later than Thursday 28 of November (by email) so that we can pass your contact details to Adur & Worthing Safer Communities Team to arrange. Please note places are limited.

Children in Need

There will be a Charity Fair for Children in Need at lunchtime on **Friday 15th November** (tomorrow!) in the Sports Hall, organised by our Year 8 and 9 Charity reps. We encourage all our students to bring along 50p and have a go at one of the many activities and games on offer, or buy something at one of the sale stalls. Thank you to the Year 8 and 9 tutor groups and their families who have given time and donations to make this happen!

Art Competition, Design a Christmas Card

Christmas is a time to get together, and be creative! Worthing High School and Clapham and Patching C of E School

You are invited to design a joint Christmas card, which will be sent out by each school.

We invite Year 7 students at WHS and all years at Clapham and Patching C of E School to enter.

Make your own A4 Christmas inspired work, entries can be drawn, painted, printed, collaged/ mixed media. No lettering inside needed just the artwork with your name clearly labelled on the back.

One winner from each School will feature on the double-sided card, (in a landscape format).

The 2 winners and 3 runners up will each receive a gold Art badge and a prize.

Deadline for the competition, by the end of **Monday 25 November**. WHS Students please hand in your entries to Mrs Hunt in F9.

Clapham and Patching School please hand your card entries to Mrs Chubb.

Judging will be the Art Department, Mr Panayiotou and Mrs Chubb. Good Luck!

Physical Education

Club timetable and fixtures Autumn Term 2

Please click the link to the [Autumn Term 2 Clubs Timetable](#).

Marie Field

Leader of PE

Non-Sports Clubs

Please find the link below to the website where you will find the list of the clubs that are available. If you have any questions, please get in touch with the member of staff running the club.

<https://www.worthinghigh.net/page/?title=Clubs+%26amp%3B+Extra+Curricular&pid=62>

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

THERAPEUTIC BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT LEAD

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

Year 10 ARE – Virtual	14/11/2024
DofE Walk	17/11/2024
Year 11 SRE – Face to Face	05/12/2024
Presentation Evening	12/12/2024

INSET Days for Academic Year 2024-25.

The school will be closed to students on these days:

Friday 29/11/2024

Monday 02/12/2024

Monday 06/01/2025

Friday 20/06/2025

Monday 21/07/2025

Tuesday 22/07/2025