



SCHOOL NEWS 09 JANUARY 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year, and welcome back to all our students. I hope you have enjoyed a restful break and your family has made a positive start to 2025.

In assemblies this week, Progress Leaders have been speaking to their year groups about how important it is to be ready to learn. Specifically, being on time to lessons and having all the correct equipment. Please can I ask that you check your child's pencil case regularly and make sure they have all of the necessary equipment. You can see what they need on our school website [here](#). If you require any support providing equipment for your child, please do contact your child's Pastoral Leader.

With regards to punctuality, this is something parents and carers will soon be able to check on the Class Charts app, we are hoping this feature will be accessible early next week. Please see below for further information on this. We would appreciate parent/carer support here, and if you see your child has been late, please do ask them why. It is important they are in lessons on time, so they do not miss key information at the start of the lesson. If you have any concerns over your child's punctuality, or attendance please contact their tutor or Pastoral Leader.

This evening we have our Year 7 Academic Review Evening, which is a virtual meeting between parents/carers and tutors. This is an opportunity to discuss the report your child recently received and raise any concerns you may have. As with all year groups, the Academic Review Evening is a check-in and is not intended to give detailed information about each subject. A more detailed, overview for each subject will be provided at the Subject Review Evening which takes place in school. Here you will be able to make appointments with all your child's teachers.

Adrian Cook
Head of School

Attendance - Class Charts

Parents/carers will soon have access to their child's attendance information. You will be able to see an overview of your child's attendance as a percentage, along with detailed insights into their daily attendance. This includes a breakdown of attendance by individual lessons or a summary for AM and PM sessions for the day. The attendance data is colour-coded for easy interpretation: green indicates the child was present, yellow means they were late, red signifies an absence, and white represents missing attendance information. To ensure accuracy, attendance details will be visible to parents with a 24-hour delay, allowing time for data verification. If you have not downloaded the app, please download from your device's app store. It's a simple and convenient way to access important school information. Your login details were sent to you at the start of last term. If you have not received them, please contact the school office at office@worthinghigh.net. As we continue to enhance the app's functionalities, we encourage you to take some time to explore its features. Familiarising yourself with the app will help you stay up to date with your child's performance, attendance, and school updates. If you experience any issues or have any

questions, please feel free to reach out. Your feedback is invaluable to us as we continue to improve your experience with the app. Thank you for your continued support!

Year 11 – Post 16 Apprenticeship Opportunity

We have been informed by GSK, the Global Pharmaceutical company who have a site in Worthing of a **Level 3 Engineering Mechatronics Technician Apprenticeship opportunity commencing in Sept 2025 for Year 11 & 13 Leavers**

Full requirements, a description of the role and the Application can be found at – <https://jobs.gsk.com/en-gb/jobs/410222?lang=en-us&previousLocale=en-GB>

A Request for Help

The DT Club is building a go-kart for the annual Soapbox Race in London. If you have any spare wheels, preferably BMX-sized but we're not fussy, smaller or larger wheels could also work, and we can make it work with four of the same size or a mix of two big and two small; we'd be really grateful for your help! Please contact Mrs. Knight mknight@worthinghigh.net if you're able to assist.

Year 9 parents: The Tempest Workshops in school

On Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th January, West End in Schools will be coming to Worthing High to kick-start year 9's study of Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. Students will attend a one-hour interactive workshop where they will explore *The Tempest* from an actor's perspective and learn to use techniques that an actor would use in a rehearsal room today.

The cost of this workshop is £5.65 per child, which can be paid on WisePay by the 13 January 2024. Although payment is voluntary, the event may not be able to take place without sufficient funding. Full details are on WisePay.

Physical Education

REF: Physical Education and Dance Clubs

Spring Term 1 clubs and fixtures have started. However, I wanted to outline a few dates when clubs will unfortunately not be able to run.

Monday 13th January – no clubs will run due to staff meetings

Monday 10th February – no clubs will run due to staff meetings

Year 11 mock period Monday 3rd – Friday 14th February

Any clubs which take place in the Sports hall will not be able to run. This will include, Badminton, Basketball, and Volleyball.

Please click the link to the [Spring Term 1 Clubs Timetable](#).

Marie Field
Leader of PE

Non-Sports Clubs

Please find the [Non Sports Clubs](#). If you have any questions, please get in touch with the

member of staff running the club.

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

SENDco/Head of inclusion

Non-Teaching

Learning Support Assistant

Learning Support Assistant - Full Time (Part time considered) Fixed Term Appointment Until July 2025 (with the possibility of being extended) - Clapham & Patching

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 7 ARE	09/01/2025
Year 8 SRE	30/01/2025
Year 11 Mock Exams	03/02/2025 – 14/02/2025

INSET Days for Academic Year 2024-25.

The school will be closed to students on these days:

Friday 20/06/2025

Monday 21/07/2025

Tuesday 22/07/2025