



SCHOOL NEWS 03 JULY 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we get in to the final two weeks of term, I reflect on another busy week. We were delighted to welcome Year 5 students and their families to our Taster Mornings. The children took part in taster lessons including Design & Technology, Art, and Science. It was fantastic to see their enthusiasm and curiosity, and we hope the sessions gave them a good feel for life at our school. As always, the feedback from parents and carers about the school and students, who acted as tour guides, has been overwhelmingly positive. If your child supported the school this week, I would like to personally thank them for being passionate, honest and positive about their school.

We also enjoyed welcoming our new Year 7 students for their Induction Day yesterday. They met their tutors, made new friends, and began to find their way around the school. It's exciting to think that on that day they might have met life-long friends. We look forward to seeing them again in September. That evening, we welcomed their families to our Parents' Welcome Event, which was a great opportunity to share information, answer questions, and start building strong home-school partnerships. One message I gave, which I would like to echo to all parents and carers is that there are a number of opportunities for us to work together. We would love for you to get involved by joining our PTA group *Friends of Worthing High*, or our parent forum, which helps us reflect and further develop the school. If either of these things are of interest, please email office@worthinghigh.net.

This evening, we are looking forward to our PE Presentation Evening, where we will be celebrating students' sporting achievements over the past year. We are excited to welcome Rhian Cleverly, professional footballer, as our guest speaker. I know her story will inspire our students to *always pursue excellence* in everything they do. This comes ahead of our Activ-8 day which takes place next Friday 11 July. Sticking with the theme of inspiration, today Lui Maxted, from our class of 2020 will make his Wimbledon debut in the men's doubles competition. Please look out for his match which will be televised on the iPlayer. Good luck Lui – WHS is cheering you on!

Finally, next week we are excited for our final Focus Day of the academic year, which will provide extracurricular and careers opportunities for all students. Thank you in advance to the businesses and industries who help us facilitate this day and support our Year 10s with their work experience placements.

Adrian Cook
Head of School

Parent Survey - Your views about the school are important to us

As a school we strive to do the best for our students and therefore we value all feedback with regards to how you feel about the school. We would be grateful if you could take a few

moments to complete the below survey, which asks for your opinion on some aspects of yours and your child's experiences at Worthing High School:

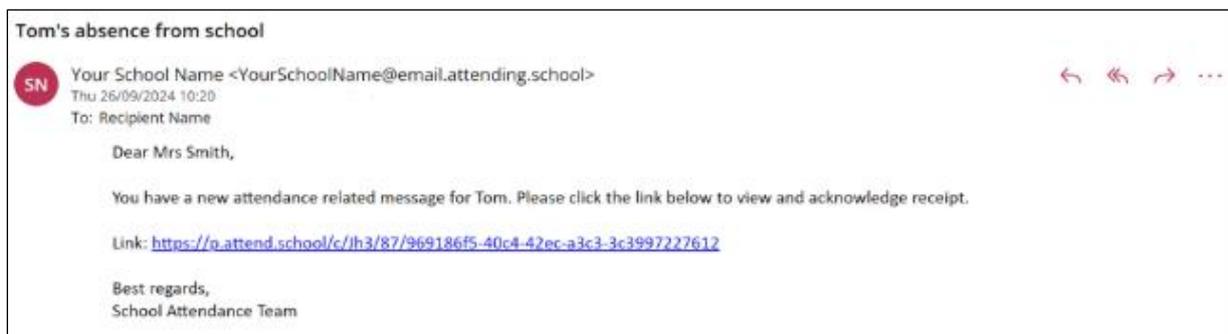
<https://participate.schoolsurveys.com/c5KjnruleUdq7orh>

Please note this survey will be open until midnight on Thursday 10 July.

School Attendance

School attendance has become a national concern. At Worthing High School, we firmly believe that regular school attendance is vital for your child's growth, not just academically, but also socially and emotionally. It's in the classroom where friendships are forged, ideas are exchanged, and lifelong skills are honed. Every day missed represents a missed opportunity for your child to engage with their peers, teachers, and the diverse learning experiences we offer.

Through our school system 'Attend', we will be monitoring attendance closely and communicate attendance news regularly. Messages from Attend will appear separately from our main school communication system so please do look out for these text and emails and acknowledge their receipt. An example is one below:



Your child's mental health and wellbeing:

Please see the attached guide for more details on Tik Tok and supporting your child's mental health and wellbeing.

TikTok is a free video-sharing and social media platform. It lets users create content, share videos and watch short clips from people all over the world. Users must be aged 13+ to hold a TikTok account, TikTok is responsible for banning users who they believe to be under 13. As with all forms of social media, there can be both positive and negative aspects of TikTok (please see the attached guide for more details on supporting your child).

ACTIV8 DAY – Friday 11 July 2025

We are pleased to announce details of this year's Sports Day at Worthing High School. Our Activ8 day will take place on **Friday 11 July**. Students will compete for their tutor group and community in five different activities throughout the day (weather permitting).

Please note Activ8 Day will finish with a presentation to the winning community **at a slightly earlier time of approx. 2:45pm**. Students will then be dismissed to make their own way home.

FOOD

We have organised a BBQ themed lunch this year which can be purchased from the school canteen during the lunch period as normal.

PE KIT

Students are allowed to attend school in their PE Kit on Activ8 day. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct full PE kit. No hooded tops please! No football shirts or other sports clothing are to be worn. Should you have any concerns relating to kit, please ask your child to see a member of the PE department before the Activ8 day.

It should also be noted that this is an official school day. If your child is unable to attend through illness please contact the school in the usual way. If there is bad weather, Activ8 will be postponed and students will attend lessons as normal. If Activ8 Day is postponed this will be communicated home as early as possible.

Trips

Year 9 Berlin Trip – July 2026 – Applications open to current Year 8 students

In the next academic year, we are excited to announce that we are planning a school trip to **Berlin**, taking place from **Thursday 9th July to Sunday 12th July 2026**. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to explore one of Europe's most historically rich and culturally vibrant cities.

The trip will offer students the chance to deepen their understanding of modern history, particularly World War II and the Cold War, and engage with Berlin's unique heritage. The itinerary is set to include visits to:

- The Berlin Wall Memorial
- Brandenburg Gate
- Checkpoint Charlie Museum
- The Reichstag Building
- DDR Museum
- German Spy Museum
- Topography of Terror
- Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp Memorial
- The Olympic Stadium (including guided tour)

The **total cost** of the trip is **£820 per student**, which includes:

- Return flights and coach transfers
- Three nights' accommodation with full board and a restaurant meal
- All excursions, entry fees, and guided tours
- Travel insurance and supervision by experienced staff

To secure a place on the trip, we require a **deposit of £200** by **W/C 14 July** (please select the Berlin History Trip 2026 after logging into Wise Pay). A payment schedule will be provided following the initial deposit.

Places are limited and will be allocated on a case-by-case basis. Please note, we will take

into consideration behaviour points when allocating trip places.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss financial assistance options, please don't hesitate to contact the office office@worthinghigh.net

African Adventures

We are delighted to inform you that African Adventures is offering your child the chance to join an exciting trip to Kenya from 12th June 2027 to 21st June 2027 to spend time volunteering at schools in a developing area of Nakuru. This experience is open for current Year 7 and Year 8 students.

Should you have any questions or would like more information, please don't hesitate to contact the office office@worthinghigh.net

FOWHS

Preloved uniform Donations

Last night we held our Preloved uniform sale for our new Year 7 parents/ carers. We are delighted to have raised £813 for the school.

Due to such a fantastic event, we are looking to continue our requests for donations. These sales are a great opportunity to recycle uniforms, support our school community and ensure affordability for all families. The Friends of Worthing team will be holding another Pre-loved Uniform sale, in the new academic year.

If your child has already grown out of their uniform, or does so over the summer break, please drop these items into the main reception, they are open through the summer holidays.

All proceeds from our pre-loved sales are used to further enhance our school facilities.

Term Dates 2025 – 2025

Please see the attached Term dates and Inset days for 2025 – 2026.

Physical Education

REF: Physical Education and Dance Clubs

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

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

No Current Vacancies

Non-Teaching

Learning Support Assistant

(closing date – 07/07/2025)

Higher Level Teaching Assistant

(closing date – 07/07/2025)

Clapham & Patching

EYFS 1:1 SEND LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT - Full-Time (Fixed term)

(closing date 04/07/25)

SOCIAL MEDIA

For up-to-date information don't forget to follow us on the links below:

Twitter

Whole School: @WorthingHigh

Headteacher: @WorthingHigh_ht

South Downs Education Trust: @sdetrust

Trips: @worthinghighout

Worthing High Careers and Employability Service: @WorthingHighCar

Lettings: @HighLettings

Instagram

Whole School: worthinghighschool

PE: worthinghigh_pe

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Focus Day 3 07/07/2025

Activ8 Day 11/07/2025

Summer Showcase 15/07/2025

School Calendar

Please find below the link to our school calendar on our website

<https://www.worthinghigh.net/calendar/?calid=6,7,1&pid=6&viewid=1>

INSET Days for Academic Year 2024-25.

The school will be closed to students on these days:

Monday 21/07/2025

Tuesday 22/07/2025