



SCHOOL NEWS 5 FEBRUARY 2026

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 9 SRE Opens for booking	09/02/2026
February Half Term	16/02/2026 – 20/02/2026
Subject Review Evening (Year 9)	26/02/2026
Early Finish – 13:30pm (All School)	26/02/2026
Year 9 Vaccinations	04/03/2026
Curriculum Choices Evening – Year 9	19/03/2026

INSET Days for Academic Year 2025 - 26

The school will be closed to students on these days:

Friday, 19 June 2026

Wednesday, 22 July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been an exciting one for our school community. We were delighted to welcome a BBC South filming team to the school as part of their feature on the DfE Attendance and Behaviour Hubs. As you will be aware, our school is a lead hub and will be supporting other schools across the South East. As always, our students and staff were exceptional ambassadors, showcasing the positive atmosphere, commitment, and sense of pride that makes our school so special. I want to thank all of our teachers and students for representing our school so wonderfully on camera.

Our weekly assembly, delivered by our Diversity Ambassadors, was another highlight. They provided powerful insights into the importance of diversity and the many ways it enriches our society. In particular, they explored the impact of diversity in STEM, highlighting how a range of perspectives drives innovation and problem-solving. It was inspiring to see our students engaging so thoughtfully with these ideas, demonstrating the values of inclusivity, respect, and curiosity that we champion every day. Once again, our ambassadors' assembly was a reminder of the strength of student leadership in the school. Thank you to all the students who presented and to the staff who lead the diversity club; as always, your contribution is greatly appreciated.

Finally, thank you to the Year 11 parents, carers and students who attended our support workshops and Action Your Potential (AYP) sessions last Thursday. We hope all attendees had a good experience and left with useful tips on how to best prepare for exams. If you or your child have any worries over exams, or any other issues to do with school, please contact their pastoral leader, whose email addresses are listed below. Also below is further information about AYP and the free resources available to Worthing High School families, to support wellbeing, learning and study habits.

Year 7 – Miss Dormer – gdormer@worthinghigh.net

Year 8 – Mrs Gordon – tgordon@worthinghigh.net

Year 9 – Mr Facey – jfacey@worthinghigh.net

Year 10 – Ms Williams – vwilliams@worthinghigh.net

Year 11 - Mrs Rhodes – jrhodes@worthinghigh.net

Adrian Cook
Headteacher

Action Your Potential

We wanted to share with you additional resources to help your children prepare for their exams. As you know we subscribe to [Action Your Potential's](#) #NeuroNinja programme. There are lots of resources available on the #NeuroNinja Learning you and your family can access as the school subscribes to this support.

You (and your children) have access to our #NeuroNinja Learning Hub - [click here to sign up](#). On the hub you'll find lots of helpful resources. We've linked specific courses below.

[Build a #NeuroNinja Year 11 - Click here once you have a #NeuroNinja Hub Log in](#)
[Study Habits and Study Reps](#) - Click once you have logged onto the #NeuroNinja Hub
[Surviving and Thriving in Your GCSEs](#) - Click once you have logged onto the #NeuroNinja Hub

The first habit in the chain of habits students should develop is Study Capture. [Here is a link to the Study Capture sheet](#). They just need to copy or download this sheet to get started on the Study Capture process.

If you have questions or would like further support do get in touch. We publish a substack every week, [linked here](#) and [make a podcast too](#). You can find our podcast on [YouTube here too](#).

Safer Internet Day – 10 February 2026

Please see the link below for top tips on how to stay safer on the internet.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2026/top-tips-for-parents-and-carers>

LPO Junior Artists: Overture Days – Applications Now Open

The London Philharmonic Orchestra is inviting 10–15-year-old orchestral musicians (Grade 3+) to join their next *Overture Days*—fun, inspiring workshops led by LPO players and young professionals. Participants will explore a range of repertoire, get playing tips, and learn what happens behind the scenes of a professional orchestra, finishing with a performance for family and friends.

Dates:

- **Thursday 2 April** – Venue TBC
- **Sunday 12 April** – Ratton School, Eastbourne

Priority is given to young musicians from backgrounds under-represented in UK orchestras. Participation is **free**.

For more information, or to apply for the [Worthing](#) or [Eastbourne](#) days on behalf of a young person, visit our [website](#).

Application deadline: 9am, Monday 2 March.

Free school meals voucher scheme February half term school holiday 2026

Please see the attached link for more information from WSCC regarding Free School meal vouchers.

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Non-Uniform Day – Friday 13 February

The school will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 13 February 2026 prior to the half term. Please see the attached letter for more information.

Message from Student Services

Student Services have a large number of unnamed coats, shoes and trainers in their office. Please could you ask you child to come and check if anything belongs to them. Any unclaimed items from Friday 13 February will be donated to the local charity shop.

FOWHS

FOWHS Preloved Uniform Sale - Today

Don't forget FOWHS is holding a preloved uniform sale this evening, please see the details below:



Pre-Loved Uniform Donations

FOWHS has good stock levels but is still collecting branded uniform in good condition (especially girls' uniform). If your child has outgrown their uniform and you're able to donate it, please drop items into the **main reception**.

Please get in touch at fowhs@worthlinghigh.net if you can support us in any way and don't forget to follow us on Instagram: [friendsofworthlinghighschool](#)

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Physical Education and Dance Clubs

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

Please note that no clubs will run on the below date due to staff meetings/events

- Monday 9 February

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.

Drama club takes place on Wednesdays from 3:15 – 4pm. Everyone is welcome to attend we will begin to plan a summer showcase event.

Please note, there will be no Drama club on the below date.

- 25 February

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

Examination Invigilator and scribe

SOCIAL MEDIA

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

Instagram

Whole School: [worthinghighschool](#)

IT: [worthinghigh_it](#)

PE: [worthinghigh_pe](#)

FOWHS: [friendsofworthinghighschool](#)

Twitter

Whole School: [@WorthingHigh](#)

Headteacher: [@WorthingHigh_ht](#)

South Downs Education Trust: [@sdetrust](#)

Trips: [@worthinghighout](#)

Worthing High Careers and Employability Service: [@WorthingHighCar](#)

Lettings: [@HighLettings](#)