



SCHOOL NEWS 26 FEBRUARY 2026

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Subject Review Evening (Year 9)	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,

Welcome back to the new term, we hope you enjoyed a restful break. For Year 11 this will be the last full term as WHS students, as their exams will start part way through the first summer term. This will be a strange feeling for some students and may mean they start to feel added pressure as we approach the GCSE exams. If you have any concerns about your child or would like any tips on how to support their revision schedule or wider wellbeing, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Morris rmorris@worthinghigh.net.

As we enter the new term, I would like to remind parents and carers of the importance of attendance and for all students to attend school on time, every day. If you have concerns around this, please contact the relevant pastoral leader, who are listed below. They can provide support and guidance on how to support improved attendance.

Finally, a huge thank you to the Year 9, 10 and 11 students who are running for West Sussex Youth Cabinet and UK Youth Parliament elections. They have presented their manifestos to students in assemblies this week and have spoken passionately about their aims if they were successful in this process. Regardless of the outcome, they are exceptional role models and are demonstrating excellent leadership skills.

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

AYP:

Action your potential has been busy looking at ways to support our students who are sitting their GCSE's this summer. There is a video course over the next 10 weeks for all students. It breaks down the Steps to GCSE Success week by week. A trailer and an Episode will drop each week. These videos will also be available on the #NeuroNinja Learning Hub.

Steps to GCSE Success

[Episode 1 - Trailer Building Confidence and Beliefs](#)

[Episode 1 - Building Confidence and Beliefs 7:15s](#)

Year 9 Vaccinations – Wednesday 4th March

Please remember your child will need to wear a short-sleeved shirt. Please also make sure they have had breakfast in the morning and bring a water bottle on the day.

Upcoming Author Visits

On Friday, Year 9s will be having a visit from award-winning author Sarah Crossan to talk about her new book *Gone For Good*, and on Friday 6 March, author Chris Bradford will be coming to speak to Year 7 and 8. If parents of Year 7 and 8 students would like to order a book to be signed by Chris on the day, orders can be placed at <http://www.burningcandle.co.uk> – please make sure you include your child’s name and Worthing High School with your order.

World Book Day

World Book Day takes place on Thursday 5 March. Next week all students will be bringing home a voucher which will give them one of the special World Book Day books for free, or £1 off a full price book (it doesn’t have to be a children’s book) in participating stores – terms and conditions are printed on the vouchers. Please encourage your child to spend their voucher on something they will enjoy! We will be celebrating across the week with our very first ‘Reader Games’ event. May the odds be ever in their favour...

March Reading Challenge

The theme for our March monthly reading challenge is *Award Winners*. There are books awards for almost every genre and kind of book imaginable, so whether you are interested in Sci-fi, comedy, cookery or non-fiction, you should be able to find something you enjoy. We’ve picked 3 fantastic award winners to recommend:

Ages 7+: *October, October* by Katya Balen

Ages 14+: *Glasgow Boys* by Margaret McDonald

Adults: *James* by Percival Everett

But you can read anything you like! Tell us about it here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc53RfNwzDNdWE1bXY02xizJ_WUF0fEqpMB_FxjGsw3WQJtbyw/viewform?usp=header

FOWHS

FOWHS Quiz Night – Friday 13 March

FOWHS Quiz Night will be taking place on **Friday 13 March**. Please book tickets through wisePAY or email fowhs@worthinghigh.net



We look forward to seeing you there!

Pre-Loved Uniform Donations

Following our successful Preloved Sale last week, we are continuing to collect **branded uniform in good condition**, with a particular need for girls' uniform.

If your child has outgrown any items and you are able to donate them, we would be very grateful. Please drop any donations into the **main reception** at your convenience.

Please get in touch at fowhs@worthinghigh.net if you can support us in any way and don't forget to follow us on Instagram: [friendsofworthinghighschool](https://www.instagram.com/friendsofworthinghighschool)

Thank you for your continued support

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Physical Education and Dance Clubs

Please click the link to view the updated [Spring Term 1 Clubs and Fixtures 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.

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.

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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

SOCIAL MEDIA

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

Instagram

Whole School: [worthingschool](#)

IT: [worthinghigh_it](#)

PE: [worthinghigh_pe](#)

FOWHS: [friendsofworthingschool](#)

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Whole School: [@WorthingHigh](#)

Headteacher: [@WorthingHigh_ht](#)

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