

SCHOOL NEWS 12 MARCH 2026



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Curriculum Choices Evening – Year 9	19/03/2026
Last Day of Term – 12:30pm Finish	27/03/2026
Easter Break	30/03/2026 – 10/04/2026
Return to School	13/04/2026
Year 11 ARE (virtual)	16/04/2026
Early Finish (13:30pm)	30/04/2026
Year 8 SRE	30/04/2026
May Bank Holiday (school closed)	04/05/2026
Year 8 HPV Vaccinations	06/05/2026

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,

Today we marked national Science week with an amazing Science fair, where Key Stage 3 students showcased their scientific research and presented some incredible work. Topics ranged from non-Newtonian fluids to endangered animals! Thank you to all students who took part and huge thanks to the Science team for facilitating.

I would also like to congratulate two year 9 students Advik and Felix who have been elected to the Sussex Youth Parliament. This is an incredible achievement and I am incredibly proud that two Worthing High students will represent their peers and have their voices heard at such an impressive level.

Finally, I am delighted to share the news that after much campaigning to the local council, we have received confirmation that a pedestrian crossing will be installed on St Lawrence Avenue. For a long time, we have shared our concerns that this was a particularly hazardous stretch of road, so we are incredibly pleased that plans have been approved and work on the crossing will commence at the start of the Easter holiday. Thank you to Mrs Gannaway, our Eco lead and Mr Beasley our facilities manager for their on-going efforts to have this installed.

Adrian Cook
Headteacher

Fidget Toys

A number of students have recently been bringing small magnetic balls in to school to use as a fidget toy. Due to safety concerns involving these magnets these are banned from school. Small magnets can pose a serious risk if swallowed, as they can attract to each other inside the body and cause severe internal injury. Several products containing these magnets have recently been recalled because of the danger they present to children and young people. In order to prioritise the safety and wellbeing of all students, magnets should not be brought onto the school site and will be confiscated if seen. We appreciate parents and carers supporting us by checking bags and reminding students of this expectation.

Term Dates 2026-27

Please see the attached document for our 2026-27 term dates.

West Sussex Music: Holiday Activities

We're thrilled to invite you to our holiday activities! We've collaborated with young people to create music-making opportunities during the school holidays, and lunch is included as part of the experience.

We also have a limited number of **free** spots available for families receiving benefit-related Free School Meals.

All skill levels are welcome, and equipment will be provided. If you'd like more information, we would love to hear from you.

To book please visit: [West Sussex Music: Holiday activities](#)

Workshop – LPO Overture Day: 2 April 11:00 am - 4:30 pm

The London Philharmonic Orchestra's Overture Days are free, fun orchestral skills days for young people aged 10-15 who are playing orchestral instruments at a Grade 3-8 standard. Participants play alongside LPO musicians, get tips on musicianship and find out what happens behind the scenes of a professional orchestra.

The day will take place at Worthing High School, South Farm Road, Worthing, BN14 7AR

For more details and to apply, go [here](#). Please see the [LPO website](#) for more information.

<http://www.burningcandle.co.uk> – please make sure you include your child's name and Worthing High School with your order.

Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme

As part of the Best Start in Life initiative, the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme will continue to offer vital support to families during the Easter, summer and winter school holidays for the next three years.

During 2025, over 40,000 sessions were booked by families with children in receipt of benefits related free school meals. Eligible children were able to access holiday activities and have a free meal over the Easter, Summer and Winter holidays. All HAF providers are selected based on their ability to meet the HAF objectives:

- Healthy Meals
- Enriching Activities
- Physical activity
- Nutritional education
- Safety and inclusion
- Support and signposting

Help your child to stay safe online

Find practical information trusted places to help you feel more confident on the steps you can take to protect your child online by going to

<https://kidsonlinesafety.campaign.gov.uk/>

FOWHS

FOWHS Quiz Night – Friday 13 March!

Thank you to everyone who has booked on for our FOWHS Quiz Night tomorrow!

🍷 On the night:

- Licensed bar
- Raffle with great prizes

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](#)

Thank you for your continued support

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Physical Education and Dance Clubs

Please click the link to view the updated [Spring Term 2 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.

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

Art Technician

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](#)

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Headteacher: [@WorthingHigh_ht](#)

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