

SCHOOL NEWS 16 OCTOBER 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of the first half term, I would like to flag a few key events taking place next term. There are a number of events that will impact the Year 11s, including their first set of mock examinations. Please see below for detailed information about exam and revision schedules. Everything students need to revise is linked to the calendar, as described below. This half term break will be a key time to revise and prepare for the exams. For Year 10 and 11 students we will be hosting our annual post-16 options event – details of this event are also below. For all year groups conversations about careers are important. If you or your child would like more information, we have a careers advisor in school who will be happy to support. Please contact via the office@worthinghigh.net email address.

A reminder that next Thursday is a non-uniform day and on Friday the school is closed to students for INSET. Details are below.

Finally, thank you for your support with attendance. As I say every week excellent attendance is vital for your child's progress inside and outside the classroom. A summary of your child's attendance for the half term will be shared next Wednesday. If you require any support with this, do not hesitate to contact your child's tutor or pastoral leader.

Adrian Cook
Headteacher

Post 16 Options Event 2025 - Year 10 & 11

We are delighted to confirm that we will once again be hosting our popular Post 16 Options evening on **Thursday 6 November 2025 from 5.00 -7.30pm.**

The evening will provide WHS Students, their Parents and Carers with an opportunity to meet and speak face to face with a large number of local Colleges, Sixth Forms, Apprenticeship providers, Businesses and Armed Service representatives about what each of their Centres has to offer our students as they move on from WHS.

This event will be invaluable for both year groups, assisting Year 11 students in making their final decisions for their Post 16 pathway and providing Year 10 students with the opportunity to begin the process of considering their options in advance in readiness for the transition to Year 11 when final Post 16 decisions and applications will need to be made in the 2026 Autumn Term.

This event will be held in the Sports Hall and entry will be via the doors next to the Millennium Hall.

Year 11 Revision and Exam Support

As mentioned at the Year 11 Welcome Evening, the electronic Year 11 Revision/ Intervention / Exam Calendar has now been shared with students via their school Outlook accounts.

Each form group has been allocated dedicated time this week during tutor time to access a computer room, where form tutors will support students in exploring the calendar's features.

For your information, the calendar includes:

- All Period 0 and Period 6 sessions, automatically updated as more are added throughout the year
- Tutor time study sessions
- Mock exam and Summer GCSE exam information
- A suggested revision timetable with direct links to all core and option subjects for ease of access - research suggests that the ideal model is two 30-minute revision sessions per day or evening
- A 15-minute reminder before each session to help students stay organised

Please take a few moments to discuss this valuable resource with your son or daughter and familiarise yourself with its features. It is my sincere hope that this electronic provision will help reduce some of the stress and worry your child may be experiencing at this important stage.

STEAM UP DATE

Last week we had a fantastic time celebrating space, innovation and exploration. Don't forget that there is still time to enter the space design competition that was launched last week.

If you are interested and would like some clarification, please contact Mrs Petrie on the following e-mail jpetrie@worthinghigh.net

The excitement with STEAM continues this week, as biology week takes place. One way that the Royal Society of Biology like to celebrate is by holding a crafting competition.

The competition is open to all. Submissions are entered in two categories:

- **Single submissions:** one piece of 3D artwork, created by one person.
- **Group submissions:** one piece or collection of pieces of 3D artwork, created by a group of people
- Please bring labelled item(s) to school by 7 November. Label must include NAME(s), TUTOR GROUP, WHAT IT IS, and CRAFT METHOD (e.g. crochet).

FOR MORE DETAILS SPEAK TO YOUR SCIENCE TEACHER.

The top three of each category will get win a prize.

We look forward to seeing your entries

STEAM & Creature Care Club – Date Changes

Due to some date clashes, some STEAM Club and Creature Care club dates have changed:

DATES FOR STEAM CLUB

17 October - Model for Biology week

23 October - Thursday Special effects

31 October - Half term home challenge – cogs

7 November - Heavy lifting

14 November - Wreck my tech 1

21 November - Wreck my tech 2

27 November - Thursday To Be Confirmed
5 December - To Be Confirmed
12 December LAST ONE OF THE YEAR - To Be Confirmed

DATES FOR CREATURE CARE CLUB AFTER SCHOOL BELOW (Also on EVERY THURSDAY LUNCH TIME)

21 October – TUESDAY
Half term break
3 - 7 November No club Due to meetings
11 November – TUESDAY
20 November - **THURSDAY**
25 November – TUESDAY
3 Dec – **WEDNESDAY**
9 Dec – TUESDAY
17 December - **WEDNESDAY**

Literacy Ambassadors Wanted

Please see the attached_poster for more information and how to apply to become a Literacy Ambassador.

Food lessons - Food Allergies and Intolerances

All of the recipes that we cook at school can be easily adapted to suit students who have common food allergies and intolerances. The following link will allow you to see the most common allergens that may be in the recipes that students will be cooking this school year. If you need help to adapt recipes please contact your student's food teacher.

<https://www.worthinghigh.net/news/?pid=3&nid=1&storyid=1485>

Non-Uniform Day – Thursday 23 October

Please find attached a letter regarding non-uniform day in aid of West Sussex Mind.

Plea for Stray Library Books

We will be stock-taking the library on Thursday 23 October and the LRC will be closed to students all day.

To round up overdue and stray library books, we are holding a Book Amnesty, so please take this opportunity to check old school bags, under beds, inside old welly boots at home, for any lost books from the Worthing High library. If your child returns them by Wednesday 22 October, they will be entered into a prize draw for a swag bag of sweets (or alternative prize).

Data Information

Please make sure your contact information is up to date. If you have changed address, phone number or email address please email office@worthinghigh.net with the change.

WSCC Free School Meal vouchers for October half term holiday 2025

Please see the below link for more information for FSM eligible families

<https://schools.westsussex.gov.uk/Article/178305>

Christmas Concert. Thursday 11 December

Our Christmas concert is a collection of dance, drama and music performances; therefore, we would like to invite any musicians who would like to perform a solo in our Christmas Concert to come along to audition on Monday 20 October in the Music room after school.

Any question please see Mrs Batchelor or Miss Strudwick

FOWHS

Preloved uniform Donations

FOWHS are continuing to ask for good condition uniform. If your child has already grown out of their uniform and you are able to donate this back to the school, please drop these items into the main reception.

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

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Physical Education and Dance Clubs

Please click the link to the [Autumn 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

No current vacancies

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

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| INSET Day | 24/10/25 |
| October Half Term | 27/10/25 – 31/10/25 |
| Post 16 Pathway Evening | 06/11/2025 |

INSET Days for Academic Year 2025 - 26

The school will be closed to students on these days:

Friday, 24 October 2025

Friday, 28 November 2025

Monday, 1 December 2025

Monday, 5 January 2026

Friday, 19 June 2026

Wednesday, 22 July 2026