



SCHOOL NEWS 27 NOVEMBER 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I'd like to begin by saying a huge well done to our year 11 students who have returned to their lessons with an excellent level of focus. We hope that they will reflect on their mock exam grades and where possible aim to be at least 1 grade better in the summer.

As the weather becomes colder and wetter, we would ask all parents/carers to ensure that your child has a waterproof coat to travel to and from school in. They will need to store their coats in their lockers throughout the school day. Although we appreciate long scarves are an essential accessory this winter, we will be asking all students to remove them when in the school building from next week. Please can I ask that you ensure that your child is following our school uniform policy so that we can focus on catching them getting it right!

Our Progress Leaders celebrated with selected students in their year group this week. Awards were given for an excellent attitude towards school. I will be hosting an afternoon tea with students selected from each year group in the next few weeks to recognise their significant contribution to the school community.

We are also still hoping to welcome a few more parents and carers to our Parent/Carer Forum. Your voices truly matter, and we're very grateful to those who have already stepped forward to volunteer—thank you for your willingness to work in partnership with us. Please contact office@worthinghigh.net if you would like to be involved.

Finally, thank you for the continued support you give in encouraging good attendance. It makes such a difference to students' confidence and progress, and we genuinely appreciate all you do to help them arrive each day ready to learn and succeed.

Adrian Cook
Headteacher

Road Safety

Our roads to and from school are becoming busier and busier, and we have been working hard with West Sussex County Council and our local MPs to help support the community with a zebra crossing in St Lawrence Avenue.

We are now at the point where West Sussex County Council are conducting a final consultation, and we are very optimistic that this will lead to a crossing in late spring/summer 2026.

Please could I ask you to fill out the consultation when you have a spare moment. It is so important to improve road safety for our pupils, staff, parents and carers, and also the local community.

Huge thanks to Mrs Gannaway and Mr Beasley and everyone at Worthing High, West Sussex County Council and our local MP Tom Rutland for their tireless work on this issue to get us to this point.

<https://yourvoice.westsussex.gov.uk/st-lawrence-avenue-crossing>

Kind regards
Pan Panayiotou
CEO South Downs Education Trust

Long scarves

We have had a number of students wearing long scarves in school which are not part of our uniform policy.

With effect from Tuesday 2 December, if any long scarves are seen on the school site (any part of the school site) between 8.30am and 3.30pm they will be confiscated and given to the pastoral leader for the year group they are in and the students card will be signed for uniform.

They will be given back to the student at the end of the day. If a student has their scarf confiscated on 3 or more occasions, then parent/carers will be asked to collect the scarf. Any student refusing to hand over their scarf will be subject to further consequences for their defiance.

We want our students to be warm whilst travelling to and from school, but their uniform is more than enough to keep them at a comfortable temperature during the school day.

Thank you for your support with this matter.

Mr Swift
Deputy Headteacher

Children In Need

Thank you to our charity reps for organising a brilliant charity fair for Children In Need this week, and thanks to our students and their families who supported it. We raised £175 for the charity!

Christmas Treat Collection for Broadwater Support Hub

This year we are once again collecting Christmas Treat Bags for local families in need, which will be distributed by the Broadwater Support Hub. They have asked us to collect all the little treats that can make Christmas feel special. Last year we delivered over 100 bags and we'd love to match that again this year. Here are some ideas of the items we are collecting:

- Selection box/boxes
- Christmas pudding
- Mince pies
- Christmas cake
- Biscuits
- Savoury treats
- Chocolates
- Sweets
- Edible tree decorations
- Christmas crackers
- Christmas napkins

Students should bring their donations into school and give to their tutor by Monday 8th December.

Christmas Lunch

The canteen traditional Christmas lunch will be available in school on Wednesday 10 December.

The cost of this roast turkey 2 course meal or vegetarian alternative will be £3.75 please see the attached menu. The canteen will only be open at lunchtime on this day for those students who are having Christmas lunch. Breaktime will be as normal with all 3 areas open.

There is no requirement to book. Payment will be taken at the tills as normal on the day. If your child is planning on having Christmas Lunch, please ensure they don't use up their daily allowance in the morning or at break. The daily FSM allowance will cover the cost of the Christmas lunch.

Snack 14 at the Millennium Hall and the Catering Pod in the North Playground will be open at lunch time for all those students who do not wish to have a Christmas lunch.

FOWHS

🎁 Winter Raffle is LIVE!

We've been gifted some amazing prizes this year. Please see the attached FOWHS Newsletter for more information.

Tickets can be purchased through [FOWHS Winter Raffle](#)

Follow Us

We have lots of exciting fundraisers in the pipeline. More details will be shared soon, so make sure you're following us on Instagram: [@friendsofworthingshighschool](#)

How You Can Help

Please see the attached flyers for the many ways you can support FOWHS—whether by giving some of your time, helping with match funding, or assisting with donations. Every contribution makes a difference.

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 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

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: [worthingschool_it](#)

PE: [worthingschool_pe](#)

FOWHS: [friendsofworthingschool](#)

Twitter

Whole School: [@WorthingHigh](#)

Headteacher: [@WorthingHigh_ht](#)

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

Trips: [@worthingschooltrips](#)

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

Lettings: [@HighLettings](#)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

INSET Day	28/11/2025
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Presentation Evening – Class of 2025	04/12/2025
Christmas Lunch	10/12/2025
Christmas Performance	11/12/2025
Flu Vaccinations	15/12/2025
SRE -Year 11 (13:30pm Finish)	18/12/2025
(bookings open at 9am on the 2 December)	
Last Day of Term (12:30pm finish)	19/12/2025

INSET Days for Academic Year 2025 - 26

The school will be closed to students on these days:

Friday, 28 November 2025

Monday, 1 December 2025

Monday, 5 January 2026

Friday, 19 June 2026

Wednesday, 22 July 2026

