



The Insider

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Our Vision

In our inclusive community,
Each valued individual is taught self-belief
We are resilient and optimistic,
Caring for ourselves and our peers.
We are Children of God, with hope,
Awe and wonder in our hearts.

Our Bible verse: *Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.*
Ephesians 4:32

Our Values: Respect Friendship Honesty Kindness

Our motto: Respect. Believe. Succeed

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of another successful school year, we do so with a great sense of pride. Our children have worked incredibly hard throughout the year and achieved so much, both academically and personally. We are particularly delighted with our Year 6 pupils, whose excellent SATs results reflect their dedication and perseverance. Thank you to all parents and carers for your ongoing support, which plays such an important role in our children's success.

There have been many highlights to celebrate this year both within the classroom and beyond. Our wonderful performance of The Lion King showcased the incredible talent, confidence and creativity of our pupils, while numerous sporting achievements and medals demonstrated their determination and teamwork. We have also been delighted to receive frequent positive feedback from external visitors, who consistently comment on our calm, purposeful learning environment and the excellent manners displayed by our children. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all staff for their hard work, commitment, and dedication throughout the year.

Our fundraising afternoon for Birmingham Children's Hospital on Thursday was a tremendous success! Pupils thoroughly enjoyed taking part in the activities, and it was wonderful to see so much enthusiasm, generosity and community spirit throughout the event. The final total raised was an extremely impressive £906.00! A huge thank you to everyone who donated, participated and helped make the afternoon so special. Together, we have raised valuable funds for a charity that means so much to many members of our school community. Well done, everyone!

I wish all of our families a happy, restful summer break and look forward to welcoming you all back to school on 3rd September. We wish you a restful and enjoyable summer holiday!

Mrs Lowe

Key Information for Parents

For information about our school: www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk





Keeping children safe

The following information regards how we continue to ensure that pupils are cared for within our school:

[Early help](#)

[E-safety](#)

[Prevent](#)

[Child Protection](#)

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[Safeguarding summary](#)

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This week's winners!



Individual

Year 5	Cora Linford
Year 6	Primrose Whittles
Year 7	Natalia Bildea
Year 8	Alexa Evident



Top Tutor Group

Year 5	NWR
Year 6	PMI
Year 7	PJE
Year 8	GLA



Lunch Money



Please can we ask that **all** ParentPay accounts are settled regularly. Once the outstanding balance is cleared, please ensure the account remains in credit, this is **particularly important for our year 8 pupils as they leave us today. Please ensure all year 8 accounts are cleared.**

You are able to set up regular weekly payments via ParentPay, as well as email alerts to remind you when the balance is getting low. Can we also remind you that the FSM allowance is to be used at lunchtime only. For any accounts that are constantly in debt we may be asking you to provide a packed lunch from home. If you have any queries, please contact the finance office.

Thank you.



Every School Day Counts



94%

Our overall
attendance this
academic year

8LWO



Congratulations

6PMI

5NHU

2

3

Weekly Attendance

Year 5	94%
Year 6	93%
Year 7	91%
Year 8	92%
Whole School	93%



Year to date Attendance

Year 5	95%
Year 6	94%
Year 7	92%
Year 8	94%
Whole School	94%



Congratulations to 8LWO, who are top attenders, twice running, with another outstanding week of attendance (98.9%).

A special mention and huge appreciation goes to Sonny Bull in Year 8 who has achieved 100% attendance across all 4 years at Walkwood. A massive achievement- well done.



Celebrating attendance
Because attendance matters...



OFSTED
REGISTERED

FLUNZONE

EST. 1998

FOR AGES 4 – 12 YEARS OR END OF YEAR 8

OPEN 7:30 AM
UNTIL 6:00 PM!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – CONSENT FORMS WILL FOLLOW

TAX FREE CHILDCARE/CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

HOLIDAY CLUB SUMMER 2026

20TH JULY – 2ND SEPTEMBER

📍 @ HOLYOAKES 20TH JULY – 21ST AUGUST B97 6HF

📍 TARDEBIGGE 24TH AUG – 2ND SEPTEMBER B60 3AQ



PLEASE REMEMBER TO NAME ALL ITEMS!

PACKED LUNCH, WATER BOTTLE,
SUNCREAM, HAT, RAINCOAT &
SPARE OLD CLOTHING – WE LIKE TO GET MESSY!



MON 20TH – FRI 24TH JULY @ HOLYOAKES 1ST SCHOOL

TUESDAY 21ST – MORTON STANLEY PARK + £4 INCLUDES AN ICE CREAM – ALL CHILDREN TRAVELLING ON THE FUNZONE MINIBUS



27TH – FRI 31ST JULY @ HOLYOAKES 1ST SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY – TRIP TO WESTON SUPER MARE
+ £25 INCLUDES AN ICE CREAM – FULL DAY FOR ALL CHILDREN TRAVELLING WITH ROYAL MOTORWAYS COACHES



MON 3RD TO FRI 7TH AUGUST @ HOLYOAKES 1ST SCHOOL

MONDAY 3RD & TUESDAY 4TH – SILENT DISCO – NO FEE



MON 10TH TO FRI 14TH AUGUST @ HOLYOAKES 1ST SCHOOL

THURSDAY 13TH – THINK TANK + £20 – FULL DAY FOR ALL CHILDREN.



MON 17TH TO FRI 21ST AUGUST @ HOLYOAKES 1ST SCHOOL

MONDAY 17TH TRIP TO PECKWOOD + £6 STUDIO & ZONE (CURRENT YEAR 3 & ABOVE)
FOREST DAY + £2 (YOUNGEST TO YEAR 2) – ONSITE.



MON 24TH TO FRI 28TH AUG @ TARDEBIGGE COMMUNITY HALL



TUE 1ST & WED 2ND SEPTEMBER @ TARDEBIGGE COMMUNITY HALL
FECKENHAM RETURN TO SCHOOL WEDNESDAY.

TARDEBIGGE, WALKWOOD, VAYNOR & HOLYOAKES RETURN TO SCHOOL ON THURSDAY



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PLEASE KEEP YOUR BOOKINGS
UP TO DATE – TERMS &
CONDITIONS APPLY

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FOR MORE INFORMATION – PLEASE SEE POSTER 2

1. FRIENDSHIP WEEK 20TH – 24TH JULY

Team Games



Morton Stanley Trip- extra fee



Friendship Keychains



Circle Games



Music



Blindfold challenge



Bingo



2. FESTIVAL & BEACH WEEK 27TH – 31ST JULY

Snap Bracelets



Water Play



Weston Super Mare Trip- extra fee



Suncatchers



Juice Bar



Glitter Tattoos and Nail Art



Clay Fossils



Moon Sand



3. FICTION & FOOD WEEK 3RD – 7TH AUGUST

Silent Disco



Teddy Bears Picnic



StoryTelling



Cooking



Roleplay



Story based snack



Treasure Hunt



Design a chocolate bar



4. COLOUR & SCIENCE WEEK 10TH – 14TH AUGUST

Food Tasting



Rainbow Jewellery



Marble painting



Think Tank Trip- extra fee



Potions



Fun Experiments



Grow a rainbow



Magic Spells



Lava Lamps



5. OUTDOORS WEEK 17TH – 21ST AUGUST

Peckwood Yr 3 + – extra fee



Insect Hotel



Kite Flying



Picnic



Forest Fun – Up to Year 2- extra fee



Nature Art



Obstacle Course



6. SENSORY WEEK 24TH – 28TH AUGUST

Games of trust



Textured Walk



Bubbles



Food Tasting



What's in the box?



Messy Play



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TUE 1ST & WED 2ND
SEPTEMBER @ TARDEBIGGE
COMMUNITY HALL



Arts & Crafts



Chip shop bar



Dance off!



★ Chilling out and getting our brains ready for school! ★

Clubs and Activities



Autumn Term 1

	Before school 8.30-8.45	Breaktime 10.15-10.30	Lunchtime 12.15 – 1.00pm	After School 3:30pm – 4:45pm
Monday	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	12.50-13.15 Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	
Tuesday	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	12.50-13.15 Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	
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Thursday	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	12.50-13.15 Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	
Friday	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	Library is closed	Library is closed	

Music lessons

🎵 Music Lessons – September Sign-Up is Now Open! 🎵

Instrument lesson sign-up for September is now in full swing!

🎵 Joining Year 5 in September?

Please complete and return the music lesson forms included in your transition pack to secure your place.

🎵 Already having lessons?

Don't forget to return your continuation form so we know you'll be carrying on with your lessons next year.

🎵 Already at Walkwood but would like to join the fun of learning an instrument?

Get in touch and we can help you get started! There's never been a better time to learn a new skill, make music and build confidence.

We can't wait to make music with you in September! 🎵 🎹 🎧 🎸





Looking ahead



2026	
Tuesday 1 September	Staff Development Day
Wednesday 2 September	Staff Development Day
Thursday 3 September	First day of the Autumn Term for pupils
Friday 23 October	Staff Development Day
Monday 26 – Friday 30 October	Half Term
Friday 18 December	End of Term
2027	
Monday 4 January	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 5 January	First day of the Spring Term for pupils
Monday 15 – Friday 19 February	Half Term
Thursday 25 March	End of Term
Monday 12 April	First day of the Summer Term for pupils
Monday 31 May – Friday 4 June	Half Term
Friday 2 July	Staff Development Day
Wednesday 21 July	End of Term