



# 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,

Another busy week has flown by, with much to celebrate! On Tuesday, pupils and staff attended school wearing 'odd socks' in support of Anti-Bullying Week, in order to celebrate our uniqueness, which was great to see.

On Wednesday, we celebrated Positive Noticing Day. This was a great success, with much positivity and many smiles in classrooms, offices and out on the playground. Let's continue to take that opportunity to share messages of positivity within our community. Just a few kind words can make a world of difference and give us the strength to achieve our goals!

I would also wish to congratulate our Year 6 football team for their sporting success this week. Well done!

We wish you a relaxing and enjoyable weekend!

Mrs Lowe

## Key Information for Parents

For information about our school: [www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk](http://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](#)
- [Attendance](#)
- [Safeguarding summary](#)
- [Safeguarding policy](#)

## This week's winners!



Individual	
Year 5	Aliza Shabir
Year 6	Teagan Whittall
Year 7	Zayn Khan
Year 8	Ayush Gupta

Top Tutor Group	
Year 5	DSL
Year 6	KKH
Year 7	PAL
Year 8	PBO





# Every School Day Counts



## 95%

Our overall attendance this academic year

## Top 3 Tutors



### RSh



Congratulations

### DDe

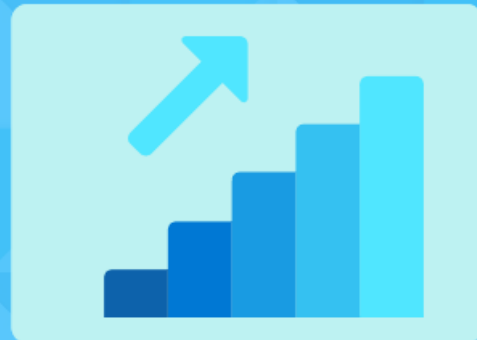


### PAI



## Weekly Attendance

Year 5	<b>96%</b>
Year 6	<b>94%</b>
Year 7	<b>94%</b>
Year 8	<b>94%</b>
Whole School	<b>94%</b>



## Year to date Attendance

Year 5	<b>96%</b>
Year 6	<b>95%</b>
Year 7	<b>94%</b>
Year 8	<b>94%</b>
Whole School	<b>95%</b>



'Congratulations to RSh for leading the way!

'Well done to Walkwood for an excellent week of attendance! the figures are looking great, well done everyone.



# Celebrating attendance

## Because attendance matters...



## Parenting course

Please speak to your child's pastoral manager or HOY if you would like to be referred to this course.



Herefordshire and Worcestershire  
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NHS Trust

# Helping Your Child with Fears and Worries Group

Is your child finding it difficult to leave you or sleep in their own bed? Are they worrying more? Is anxiety affecting the quality of their life?

In partnership with your school the WEST Team NHS are offering a series of four virtual sessions over six weeks lasting an hour which will cover:

Session 1 **22/1/25** 9.30-10.30am: Understanding anxiety and Goal Setting

Session 2 **29/1/25** 9.30-10.30am: Child's thoughts and rewards

Session 3 **5/2/25** 9.30-10.30am: Step by Step approach to fears and worries

Session 4 PHONECALL: Date and time **TBC**

Session 5 **19/2/25** 9.30-10.30am: Problem Solving

Session 6 PHONECALL: Date and time **TBC**

If you are interested and able to commit to these dates (Sessions 1 and 2 are essential) above, please contact your school's Mental Health lead to discuss a referral by **13/12/24**. Please also make it known to them if you have any needs or requirements which would make accessing this course easier for you. The worksheets will be emailed you prior to each session.



[www.camhs.hacw.nhs.uk/west](http://www.camhs.hacw.nhs.uk/west)



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# Clubs and Activities



## Autumn Term 2

	Lunchtime 12.15 – 1.00pm	After School 3:30pm – 4:45pm
<b>Monday</b>	Choir Year 5 and 7 12.50pm – 1.15pm during playground time GLA	KS2 dodgeball PMC 3.30 Sign up only. Start 11 <sup>th</sup> November – last session 9 <sup>th</sup> December
<b>Tuesday</b>		KS2 Boogie bounce. KRE Sign up only. PE kit required and pupils can wear gymnastics socks with grip or trainers. Start 12 <sup>th</sup> November – last session 10 <sup>th</sup> December  Dungeons and Dragons Club FCI Invite only Starts 19 November
<b>Wednesday</b>	Homework club Year 5 12:50pm – 1:15pm RSH	
<b>Thursday</b>		KS2 Dance club. KRE/Adeena Sign up only. Start 14 <sup>th</sup> November – last session 12 <sup>th</sup> December  KS3 Boogie bounce. KRE Sign up only. PE kit required and pupils can wear gymnastics socks with grip or trainers. Start 14 <sup>th</sup> November – last session 12 <sup>th</sup> December  KS2 Science Club (Lab 1) FCL Sign up on Arbor 3.30 – 4.35 pm
<b>Friday</b>	Choir Year 6 and 8 1.15pm – 1.35pm during playground time GLA	



# Looking ahead



## 2024—2025

Monday 18 November	Year 5-7 Ski trip information evening 6:00 - 7:00pm
Monday 25 November	Parents' Maths KS2 Workshop 6:00 - 7:00pm
Monday 2 December	Pastoral Coffee Morning 9:00 - 9:55am
Wednesday 4 December	Pastoral Coffee Morning 9:00 - 9:55am
Monday 9 December	Parents' English KS2 Workshop 6.00 - 7.00 pm
Friday 20 December	<b>End of Term</b>
<b>2025</b>	
Monday 6 January	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 7 January	First day of the Spring Term
Thursday 23 January	Y6, Y8 Parents' Evening 4:00 - 7:00pm
Wednesday 29 January	Y6, Y8 Parents' Evening 4:00 - 7:00pm
Saturday 1 Feb-Saturday 8 Feb	<b>Year 5 - 7 Ski Trip, Obertauern, Austria</b>
Monday 3 February	Pastoral Coffee Morning 9:00 - 9:55
Monday 17 - Friday 21 February	<b>Half Term</b>
Thursday 27 March	Y5, Y7 Parents' Evening 4:00 - 7:00
Wednesday 2 April	Y5, Y7 Parents' Evening 4:00 - 7:00
Friday 11 April	<b>End of Term</b>
Monday 28 April	First day of the Summer Term
Monday 19 - Wednesday 21 May	<b>Year 7 Kingswood Residential</b>
Monday 26 - Friday 30 May	<b>Half Term</b>
Monday 2 June	Staff Development Day
Monday 30 June- Wednesday 2 July	<b>Year 5 Brecon Beacons Trip, Tregoyd</b>
Friday 18 July	<b>End of Term</b>