

The Insider

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Our Fruits of Faith:

Friendliness, Forgiveness, Aspiration, Achievement, Inquisitiveness, Inclusiveness, Tolerance, Thankfulness, Honesty, Honour

The assembly theme next week will be: Discipleship

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a beautiful sunny week we have had, although a little warm! As we approach the final weeks of the school year, the children are continuing to give their best.

On Thursday evening, the staff had the privilege and pleasure of presenting our nominated children with awards in recognition of their hard work and achievements over the year. Thank you to everyone who joined us to support and congratulate our children. Well done to you all!

On Tuesday 16th July, we are holding our Sports Day in school. Please ensure your child has a water bottle and sun hat in school on that day, and sun cream if needed.

In recent weeks, there has been an increasing number of pupils bringing lollipops and sweets into school. We kindly request that lollipops, sweets and chewing gum are not brought onto the school site.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Lowe

Key Information for Parents

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

A summary of how our school works can be found in: handbook for parents and carers











Keeping children safe

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

<u>Early help</u> <u>E-safety</u> <u>Prevent</u>

Child Protection Attendance

<u>Safeguarding summary</u> <u>Safeguarding policy</u>

Knowing our curriculum

For information about the curriculum for each year group, please select:

Year 5 Year 6 Year 7 Year 8

For information about specific curriculum subjects, you will find the calendars here:

<u>Art and Technology</u> <u>Computing</u> <u>Drama English French Mathematics</u>

Music Physical Education Science Spiritual & Social Education Careers



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 will be leaving us soon.**

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 £2.80 per day, 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.

Word of the Week

Each week, there is a word displayed below. If the pupils have a go at the tasks linked here: https://www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk/WordoftheWeektask, which are connected to the weekly word, they will earn a point from their tutor. Once per fortnight the tutor will go through the previous two weeks' words and pupils will work collaboratively exploring their meanings, features and usage.

This week's word is:

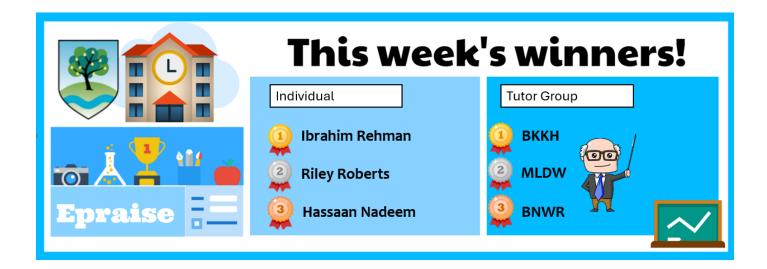




Sport round-up

Sports Day

During Wednesday and Thursday of this week, pupils have been given information about the running of Sports Day this year via their half school assemblies. More information for parents will follow in due course.





Every School Day Counts



94%Our overall attendance this academic year



Weekly Attendance

Year 5	91%
Year 6	91%
Year 7	89%
Year 8	92%
Whole School	91%



Whole School





Year to date Attendance Year 5 95% Year 6 95% Year 7 93% Year 8 92%

94%



'Congratulations to CLTh for leading the way with a strong performance!'

'Well done to Walkwood students who are soaring above the national attendance average so far this year, lets see if we can end the year still above!'



Celebrating attendance

Because attendance matters...



Clubs and Activities



Summer Term 2

	Lunchtime 12.15 – 1.00pm	After School 3:30pm – 4:45pm
Monday	Lunch Club, Room 2, duration of lunch, KCR/CMI	KS2 tennis 10 th June to Monday 8 th July (not Monday 1 st July) PMC Sign up only
Tuesday	Lunch Club, Room 2, duration of lunch, KCR/CMI	KS3 tennis 11 th June - July 2 nd KRE Sign up only KS2 Cricket club by Cricket coach from Chance to shine 11 th June - July 9 th PMC Sign up only Ukulele Club (GLA) 11 th June - 9 th July Please note there will be no club on 2 nd July. Music Room 3.30pm- 4.15pm Sign up only.
Wednesday	Lunch Club, Room 2, duration of lunch, KCR/CMI	
Thursday	Lunch Club, Room 2, duration of lunch, KCR/CMI	KS3 Softball club, 4th July only. CHU Sign up only
Friday	Lunch Club, Room 2, duration of lunch, KCR/PWE	



Appointment of Class Teacher

(Teachers' Main Scale)

Ofsted stated (2023):

"The school's ethos and values are central to every aspect of school life at Walkwood Church of England Middle School. Relationships between pupils and teachers are strong. Pupils enjoy their learning. Pupils achieve well, including those with special educational needs and / or disabilities (SEND)"

The Governors of this Church of England academy wish to appoint a Class Teacher.

We are looking for a teacher who is:

- An outstanding classroom practitioner
- Able to establish and maintain high expectations, challenge and support for all pupils through a fully inclusive approach.
 - Able to share the vision for and deliver a curriculum that links content, skills and values; building on prior knowledge.
 - Responsive and proactive to enable sustained high standards of learning and teaching for their pupils.
 - Able to provide effective pastoral care and understanding of all pupils.
 - Flexible and works effectively as part of a team
 - Excellent communication skills with pupils and all stakeholders.
 - A reflective practitioner.
 - Committed to their own professional development.
 - Committed to promoting our Christian Ethos and values.

The post holder will be responsible for planning, delivering and assessing high quality lessons which engage and inspire all learners across KS2 and KS3. The successful candidate will demonstrate consistently high standards of teaching and excellent classroom management.

We can offer:

- A committed and supportive leadership team
- Wonderful, motivated children
- A commitment to your future professional development
- Support from the whole community of our church school
- Support from The Spire Academy Trust (currently transitioning)

The post is available 4th November 2024 unless you are able to begin sooner.

Closing date for applications is **9.00am** on **Wednesday 10 July 2024.** Short-listed candidates will be contacted soon after this date. The interviews will take place on Monday 15 July 2024.

Walkwood Church of England Middle School is committed to the protection and safety of children and young people. An enhanced DBS check and full references will be expected from the successful candidate.



Looking ahead



2023—2024		
Friday 28th June - Monday 1st July	Year 7 Outward Bound, Osmington Bay Weymouth	
Wednesday 3rd July - Friday 5th July	Year 5 Outward Bound, Brecon Beacons	
Wednesday 3rd July and Thursday 4th July	Year 6 Outdoor Activity Centre, Blackwell Adventure	
Friday 19 July	End of Term	
20	024—2025	
Monday 2 September	Staff Development Day	
Tuesday 3 September	Staff Development Day	
Wednesday 4 September	First day of the Autumn Term	
Monday 28 October- Friday 1 November	Half Term	
Friday 20 December	End of Term	
Monday 6 January	Staff Development Day	
Tuesday 7 January	First day of the Spring Term	
Saturday 1st Feb-Saturday 8th Feb	Year 5 - 7 Ski Trip, Obertauern, Austria	
Monday 17 - Friday 21 February	Half Term	
Friday 11 April	End of Term	
Monday 28 April	First day of the Summer Term	
Monday 26 – Friday 30 May	Half Term	
Monday 2 June	Staff Development Day	
Friday 18 July	End of Term	