



# 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 our first half term here at Walkwood, it is time to reflect upon the successes of our children. This week we have celebrated the highest number of pupils achieving Bronze, Silver or Gold. A fantastic achievement!

Thank you to our parents and carers for joining us at Parents' Evening on Monday. It was lovely to see so many of you in attendance. I would also like to extend our thanks to the Friends of Walkwood who gave their time to sell cakes and refreshments and to our kitchen staff for the delicious cakes! Thank you also to our parents and carers for their generous donations.

On behalf of all the staff at Walkwood, we wish you a relaxing and enjoyable half term and look forward to welcoming our children back on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024.

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](#)



## Autumn Safeguarding @ Walkwood

Here are some tips for staying safe while trick-or-treating:

[Go to this Sway](#)

## 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 at all times.

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.

## Absence from school and illness

Pupils are expected to attend school regularly and on time.

If your child is ill, please inform school before 9.00am on the first day to advise us why your child is absent.

**Please continue to notify us each day of your child's absence. You can ring us on 01527 543361 and pick option 1 and leave a message on the pupil absent line.**

Can you please provide us with specific information; if we receive a message that says that your child is 'unwell' we will need further information.



## This week's winners!

### Individual

Year 5 Amelie Ormsby  
Year 6 Teagan Jarrett  
Year 7 Jessica Mallard  
Year 8 Reghardt Peens

### Tutor Group

Year 5 DDE  
Year 6 RCO  
Year 7 PJE  
Year 8 PBO



## House match results

Thank you to all pupils who participated, helped to lead and referee the house matches which were played last week.

The results are as follows:

	Netball/ benchball	Football
Year 5	1 <sup>st</sup> Abberley 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bredon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Cleeve 4 <sup>th</sup> Malvern	1 <sup>st</sup> Cleeve 2 <sup>nd</sup> Malvern 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bredon 4 <sup>th</sup> Abberley
Year 6	1 <sup>st</sup> Malvern 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bredon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Abberley 4 <sup>th</sup> Cleeve	1 <sup>st</sup> Abberley 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bredon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Cleeve 4 <sup>th</sup> Malvern
Year 7	1 <sup>st</sup> Bredon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Abberley 3 <sup>rd</sup> Malvern 4 <sup>th</sup> Cleeve	1 <sup>st</sup> Malvern 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cleeve 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bredon 4 <sup>th</sup> Abberley
Year 8	1 <sup>st</sup> Malvern 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cleeve 3 <sup>rd</sup> Abberley 4 <sup>th</sup> Bredon	1 <sup>st</sup> Malvern 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cleeve 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bredon 4 <sup>th</sup> Abberley

So far this year:

**Abberley = 18 points**

**Bredon = 20 points**

**Cleeve = 18 points**

**Malvern = 23 points**



# Every School Day Counts



## 95%

Our overall attendance this academic year

## Top 3 Tutors



### RSh



Congratulations

### LWa

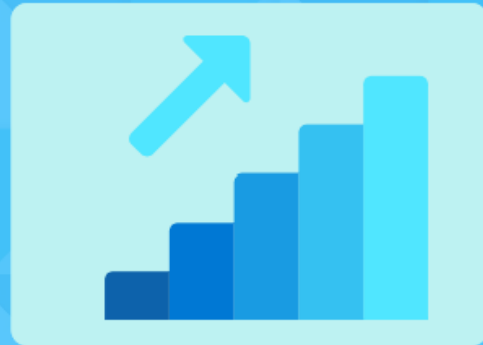


### LTh



## Weekly Attendance

Year 5	<b>97%</b>
Year 6	<b>95%</b>
Year 7	<b>93%</b>
Year 8	<b>92%</b>
Whole School	<b>95%</b>



## Year to date Attendance

Year 5	<b>97%</b>
Year 6	<b>95%</b>
Year 7	<b>94%</b>
Year 8	<b>92%</b>
Whole School	<b>95%</b>



'Congratulations to RSh for leading the way again this week - 100% Top performers'

'Well done to Walkwood for sitting above the National average for their attendance in the first term - a great effort, lets keep this up!'



# Celebrating attendance

## Because attendance matters...



# Clubs and Activities



## Autumn Term 1

	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	No PE clubs this week
<b>Tuesday</b>		
<b>Wednesday</b>		
<b>Thursday</b>		
<b>Friday</b>	Choir Year 6 and 8 1.15pm – 1.35pm during playground time GLA	



# Looking ahead



## 2024—2025

Monday 28 October- Friday 1 November	<b>Half Term</b>
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 6.30 - 7.30 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>