



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,

In what has been a very cold start to the start of the year, I would like to extend a warm welcome back to all our pupils, staff and families.

We are extremely proud of the way our pupils have returned to school with a positive upbeat outlook for the new term ahead, raring to go as ever. Already we have distributed numerous SLT awards for exceptional work and there has been a calm and productive atmosphere across the school! Keep up the wonderful work, Walkwood.

Our value for this half term is kindness; this will form a core focus of our daily Collective Worship, during which pupils will have the opportunity to reflect on how they show kindness to each other, and how kindness is visible within our school community in varying ways.

Ephesians 4:32 - Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy new year and a restful weekend,

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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Every School Day Counts



94%
Our overall attendance this academic year

Top 3 Tutors

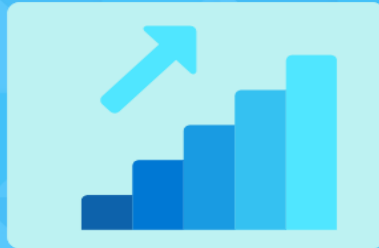


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Congratulations



Weekly Attendance

Year 5	93%
Year 6	93%
Year 7	91%
Year 8	90%
Whole School	92%



Year to date Attendance

Year 5	96%
Year 6	94%
Year 7	93%
Year 8	93%
Whole School	94%



Congratulations to NWr once again!

A great effort from all year groups for the week before the Christmas break. We hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday. Welcome back.



Celebrating attendance

Because attendance matters...





'Points Boosters' are designed to reward all pupils who have excellent attendance and those pupils who consistently uphold and adhere to the Walkwood Values.

How does it work?

Attendance Points Boosters

- A 20-point booster will be awarded for every time your child has 100% Attendance for the period of the 2-week timetable- Week 1 & Week 2.
- These points are awarded at the end of every Week 2

Zero Demerit Points Boosters

A reward for all pupils who continue to demonstrate excellent focus and behaviour in and out of lessons.

- Again, we are awarding a 20-point booster for every time your child has Zero Demerits during the period of the 2-week timetable- Week 1 & Week 2.
- Again, these points are awarded at the end of every Week 2

The Spring Prize Draw

@ The Walkwood Celebration Assembly



Fabulous prizes to be won

<p>The Attendance Goldfish Bowl</p> <p>You will be entered into the draw if your attendance is 100% for the term</p>	<p>The Zero Demerit Goldfish Bowl</p> <p>You will be entered into the draw for having ZERO Demerits for the term</p>
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As a school, we continue to evolve and adapt our systems as we search to motivate our pupils to want to attend school and give their best whilst they are here. As always, your support is greatly appreciated.

Autumn Prize Draw

The Walkwood Celebration Assembly Prize Draw Autumn Term



The Attendance Goldfish Bowl

Pupils are entered into the draw if attendance is 100% for the term.



The Zero Demerit Goldfish Bowl

Pupils are entered into the draw for having ZERO Demerits for the term

Attendance		Zero Demerits	
Amelia Assad	Jayden Ashburn	Emily McArdle	Lewis Manders
Connor Moss	Hayden Mooney	Tilly Jefferies	Georgie <u>Saddington</u>
Mia Downing	Archie Fisher	Isla Pugh	Izzi Thomas-Coles

Clubs and Activities



Spring term 1

	Lunchtime 12.15 – 1.00pm	After School 3:30pm – 4:45pm
Monday	Choir Year 5 and 7 12.50pm – 1.15pm during playground time GLA – Music Room Lunch club (LTI) – Invite only	KS2 fitness 13 th January to Monday 6 th February (PMC)
Tuesday	Lunch club (LTI) – Invite only	Arts Award Discover Club Year 5 Arbor Sign Up Only 3.30pm – 4.15pm GLA- Music Room KS3 Fitness 14 th January to 28 th January (KRE/LWO) Dungeons and dragons (FCL) Invite only
Wednesday	Homework club Year 5 12:50pm – 1:15pm RSH Lunch club (LTI) – Invite only	KS3 glow in the dark dodgeball 15 th January -29 th January (KRE/RMA)
Thursday	Lunch club (LTI) – Invite only	KS2 glow in the dark dodgeball 16 th January to 6 th February (CHU/PMI) KS3 Science club (FCL) Sign up on Arbor
Friday	Choir Year 6 and 8 1.15pm – 1.35pm during playground time GLA – Music Room Lunch club (LTI) – Invite only	



Looking ahead



2025	
Thursday 23 January	Y6, Y8 Parents' Evening 4:00 - 7:00 pm
Wednesday 29 January	Y6, Y8 Parents' Evening 4:00 - 7:00 pm
Saturday 1 Feb-Saturday 8 Feb	Year 5 - 7 Ski Trip, Obertauern, Austria
Wednesday 5 February	Pastoral Coffee morning 9:00 – 9:55 am
Monday 17 - Friday 21 February	Half Term
Thursday 27 March	Y5, Y7 Parents' Evening 4:00 – 7:00 pm
Wednesday 2 April	Pastoral Coffee Morning 9:00 – 9:55 am
Wednesday 2 April	Y5, Y7 Parents' Evening 4:00 - 7:00 pm
Friday 11 April	End of Term
Monday 28 April	First day of the Summer Term
Monday 19 – Wednesday 21 May	Year 7 Kingswood Residential
Wednesday 21 May	Pastoral Coffee morning 9:00 – 9:55am
Monday 26 – Friday 30 May	Half Term
Monday 2 June	Staff Development Day
Sunday 29 June- Wednesday 2 July	Year 5 Barton Hall, Devon
Wednesday 2 July	Pastoral Coffee morning 9:00 – 9:55am
Friday 18 July	End of Term