



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,

It was wonderful to welcome pupils and staff back to school after their Easter holiday; I hope it was lovely for all of our families.

Our children are looking very smart as they embark upon their final term of the academic year – thank you for ensuring items such as stationery and shoes have been replaced as needed and that uniform items are tidy. We have been very impressed with these high standards. Our week began with a whole school worship dedicated to friendship – which is our school value of the half term – and the Bible story of The Good Samaritan. We see evidence of friendship daily across our school community and could not be prouder of how our pupils of all ages interact and look after one another. Pupils have been tasked with noticing aspects of friendship across the school; our school values are celebrated on a Friday during tutor worship time.

We look forward next week to a whole school worship based upon the theme of reading, as we continue to celebrate the National Year of Reading. We also have some exciting news to share with pupils, on this theme!

Wishing you a peaceful 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](#)

[Attendance](#)

[Safeguarding summary](#)

[Safeguarding policy](#)



Every School Day Counts



94%

Our overall attendance this academic year

5NWR

5LWA



Congratulations

7LHO

5NHU



Weekly Attendance

Year 5	95%
Year 6	93%
Year 7	93%
Year 8	93%
Whole School	94%



Year to date Attendance

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



Congratulations to 5NWR, 5LWA, with an attendance rate of 100%. Brilliant achievement and great effort.

Points Boosters will be applied this weekend- 20 extra pts for Zero Demerits and 20 extra pts for 100% attendance for the past 2 weeks.

Have a wonderful weekend and as always we will be 'celebrating attendance' during the summer term.



Celebrating attendance

Because attendance matters...





This week's winners!



Individual

- Year 5 **Oliver Iduitia**
- Year 6 **Josh Middleton**
- Year 7 **Emmie Hudson**
- Year 8 **Alexa Evident**

Top Tutor Group

- Year 5 **NHU**
- Year 6 **AVE**
- Year 7 **BKI**
- Year 8 **PBO**



British Values and news

In our Collective Worship this week, we took time to reflect on and discuss a current news story, considering its relevance to one of our key British Values: Individual Liberty.

We encourage you to take a moment to speak with your child about what was discussed and see if they can identify other examples of Individual Liberty in action in our everyday lives—both within school and beyond. It's a wonderful way to continue these important conversations at home and help deepen their understanding of the world around them.



Individual Liberty

Individual liberty gives us the freedom to make our own life choices and pursue new challenges. We are free to choose our goals, which can shape our journey throughout our lives.

THE LION KING JR 2026



The school production of The Lion King proved to be an unforgettable showcase of talent, dedication, and creativity, culminating in a truly spectacular final night. From the moment the curtains opened, it was clear that the cast and crew had poured their hearts into bringing the story to life.

As word spread throughout the week, excitement grew—and by the final performance, tickets were completely sold out. The auditorium was filled with an electric atmosphere, as families, friends, and teachers eagerly anticipated the last showing. Every seat was taken, and the buzz of anticipation only added to the magic of the evening.

The standout elements of the production was the phenomenal singing, costume and the huge cast! There were powerful solos, harmonies and part singing that captivated the audience. The musical numbers were executed with confidence and emotion, elevating the entire performance to an amazing standard.

The final night concluded in the most fitting way possible—with a well-deserved standing ovation. As the cast took their bows, the audience rose to their feet in appreciation, applauding the hard work and talent that had made the production such a success. It was a powerful and celebratory ending to a remarkable show, one that will be remembered by all who attended.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who has contributed to making this production such a success. Our students have shown incredible dedication throughout the rehearsal process and should be so proud of all they have achieved. We are deeply grateful to parents for their continued support and encouragement along the way.

Thank you to all of our staff for working tirelessly behind the scenes, supporting rehearsals and guiding the process of bringing our production to life. A special thank you to Mrs Grimes and Miss Ellis for our spectacular masks and set decoration. We also extend our appreciation to the staff who have supported our performances backstage, with lighting and make-up, front of house, refreshments and car parking, as well as our PTA, student volunteers, and site staff whose efforts have been invaluable.

A special mention must go to Rich Bone for bringing Pride Rock, Scar's Cave, and other props to life—truly turning staging dreams into reality. Our thanks also go to Woodfield Academy for the loan of their costumes and to Starlight Theatre for providing lighting and sound.

A SCHOOL PRODUCTION IS MORE THAN A PERFORMANCE: IT TRULY BECOMES A COMMUNITY EVENT, FILLED WITH CREATIVITY, COLLABORATION, AND MEMORIES THAT WILL LAST A LIFETIME.



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WELLBEING AND EMOTIONAL SUPPORT TEAMS

Parents online Workshop

**Building resilience
in your child.**

Run by the NHS's
Wellbeing and
Emotional
Support in schools
team. (WEST)

**On the 2nd of June,
Online, on Teams:**

**From:
1pm to 2pm**

Who is it for:

**Parent who want to
learn more about**

**How stress affects
children and young
people**

**How you can support
your child to build
resilience and
improve their
wellbeing.**

Join on Teams

Meeting ID:

391 708 672 432 8

Passcode: T7wQ9ip7



WELLBEING AND EMOTIONAL SUPPORT TEAMS

Parents online Workshop

**Supporting your
child with transitions**

Run by the NHS's
Wellbeing and
Emotional
Support in schools
team. (WEST)

Online on Teams
on the
3rd June
at 4 pm

**We are talking
about:**

Practical ideas to
support your child
plan for
and
cope with
transitions

On Teams
Meeting ID:
375 469 535 484 8
Passcode: 8mZ7Sm39



Clubs and Activities



Summer Term 1

	Before school 8.30-8.45	Breaktime 10.20- 10.35	Lunchtime 12.55-13.15	After School 3:30pm – 4:45pm
Monday	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	Athletics Club Yr 5 & 6 girls and boys Yr 7 & 8 girls and boys (AU Sports/ PMC) Sign up on ParentPay
Tuesday	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	Tennis Club Yr 5 & 6 girls and boys Yr 7 & 8 girls and boys (LWO) Sign up on Arbor Choir All year groups Music – GLA Sign up via Arbor
Wednesday	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	Library is open – read, quiz or exchange books	Homework Club All year groups (LTI) Sign up on Arbor
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Looking ahead



2026	
Monday 4 May	Bank Holiday
Monday 18 th – Wednesday 20 th May	Yr7 Trip - The Ultimate Adventure Centre
Monday 25 – Friday 29 May	Half Term
Monday 1 June	Staff Development Day
Sunday 28 th June – Wednesday 1 st July	Yr5 Devon residential Trip
Friday 17 July	End of Term
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