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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,

I hope everyone had a wonderful half-term break. It has been lovely to welcome our pupils back to school looking smart, eager to learn and already earning many ePraise points for their excellent efforts and conduct.

Congratulations to our newly appointed Head Boy and Head Girl, who were democratically elected by their peers. This is a significant achievement, and we are confident they will represent our school community superbly and serve as excellent role models throughout the year!

Looking ahead, following the success of last year's event, we are delighted to announce that our annual Christmas Fayre will take place on Friday 27th November. This is always a wonderful opportunity for our school community to come together, and further information will be shared in the coming weeks.

On Monday, during our whole-school Remembrance Worship, we will come together to reflect and remember those who have served and sacrificed for our country. This is always a meaningful occasion and an important opportunity for pupils to learn about and honour the values of Remembrance. Please see details on page 3 of a non-uniform day on Wednesday 11th November - with a splash of red, white or blue - to raise money for the British Legion, in order to mark Remembrance Day.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I wish you all a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Mrs Lowe

Key Information for Parents

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

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MUSIC MARK SCHOOL MEMBER

SCHOOL GAMES GOLD

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







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.





Every School Day Counts

95%
Our overall attendance this academic year

5LPH 98.9%

Congratulations

5LWA 98.4%

5LNE 98.1%

Weekly Attendance

Year 5	97%
Year 6	95%
Year 7	94%
Year 8	93%
Whole School	95%

Year to date Attendance

Year 5	97%
Year 6	96%
Year 7	95%
Year 8	93%
Whole School	95%

A huge congratulations to our top 3 tutor groups, a clean sweep for Year 5. Overall an excellent half term for attendance at Walkwood.

A mighty 272 pupils are still on 100% attendance.

70% of all pupils have attendance greater than 95%

BREAKING NEWS

Celebrating attendance

Because attendance matters...

Clubs and Activities



Autumn Term 2

	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	Dance club Paid club run by AU sports. (Sign up on Parent pay. 20 places-open to all year groups) Multi-sports-Hall PMC (sign up only in Arbor-KS2-25 places)
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	Choir 3.30pm-4.45pm Music with GLA/ABR *Continued from Autumn Term 1*
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	KS2 boogie bounce Movement area 3.30-4.45pm KGR (sign up only-20 places) KS2/KS3 dodgeball Hall –LWO/LPH 3:30-4:45 (sign up only- 30 places) Homework club LTI 3:30-4:30 DT hub (sign up only-20 places)
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Looking ahead



2026	
Friday 27 November	Christmas Fayre
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**