

Dear Parents and Carers,

I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.  
*Jeremiah 29:11*

We have had our pupils back in school for three days, and the pattern of our routine has been quickly re-established. Older pupils have been looking after the new Year 5s, and the other pupils have joined us in other years. In fact, we anticipated that our Year 5 would need a bit of additional time at lunch to decide what food they would wish from the dining hall, and yet they have tended to arrive with decisions already to the fore!

We have a number of new staff, whose names are within The Insider. Like the Year 5s, they have settled quickly into our Walkwood family and are getting to know the pupils quickly. We hope they enjoy the days and terms ahead.

This morning was our first whole school assembly, when the Head Girl, Lily-Mae Lev, and the Head Boy, Daniel Wild, presented badges to this year's Prefects. It is appropriate that the lead pupils hand out these awards. Within the Prefects are three Speakers with the Pupils' Parliament, Abigayle Court, Catherine Hill and Nathan Smythe. They will lead the three committees in the parliament. Indeed, Walkwood will be sending representatives later this term to Westminster for a visit to the Houses of Parliament. That will be after myself and Mrs Perks attend a reception in the Commons for the schools who are part of this year's Parliamentary Review, a publication that shares stories of excellence within education.

It's photographs on Monday. All pupils are to have their jumpers on for when the camera goes 'click', please. I shall be styling my hair for my own picture—when I said that to a few Year 8s this week they all replied with, "That won't take you long then"! I'm so glad we're back at school . . . same old jokes!

Rev. C. Leach  
Principal

Dear Lord,  
Thank you for all of the people in our school. We pray that you would fill this year with friendliness, your love and joy, and we pray that everyone that steps into Walkwood would feel your love upon them.  
In your name.  
Amen.

### This week's theme was:

New Beginnings  
God makes everything happen at the right time. Yet none of us can ever fully understand all he has done, and he puts questions in our minds about the past and the future.

Ecclesiastes 3:11

### Letters this week:

Y5 Library letter,  
Y5—8 welcome letters

**Whole school Attendance - 97.99%**

**Whole School Target – 95.2%**  
%

**06.09.17—08.09.17**

**Year 5 — 99.45%**

**Year 6 — 96.69%**

**Year 7 — 98.28%**

**Year 8 — 97.39%**



# For the week ahead

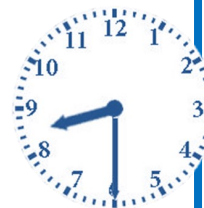
<b>The Fruit of Faith is:</b>	<b>Friendliness</b>	When others are happy, be happy with them, and when they are sad, be sad. Be friendly with everyone. Don't be proud and feel that you are smarter than others. Make friends with ordinary people. Don't mistreat someone who has mistreated you. But try to earn the respect of others. <i>Romans 12:15-17</i>
<b>The tutor group virtue:</b>	<b>Friendship</b>	Whoever walks with the wise becomes wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm. <i>Proverbs 13:30</i>
<b>The assembly theme:</b>	<b>Trust</b>	We are saved by trusting. And trusting means looking forward to getting something we don't yet have. <i>Romans 8:24</i>

## We ask your thoughts and prayers in the week ahead for:

<b>The weekend</b>	for peace between nations, allowing the needs of people to overcome rhetoric.	<b>Monday</b>	New pupils at Walkwood, as our Year 5 have their 'Welcome' service.
<b>Tuesday</b>	Our MP, Rachel Maclean.	<b>Wednesday</b>	Our former pupils who are in Year 9 across the high schools.
<b>Thursday</b>	Year 8 pupils and parents, who begin the process of high school preferences.	<b>Friday</b>	Rest for our pupils who have completed their first full week.

## Morning arrivals

Morning arrivals The earliest that pupils can be at school is 8.30am, unless they are in Homework Club or Funzone. This is because Walkwood staff begin playground supervision at this time. Thank you for your understanding.



## Parking

We appreciate the additional road safety when the zig-zag lines are kept clear of parked cars at all times of the day. This is for the safety of our children as they cross the road, and for other car users



as they enter and exit the school site. Thank you for your consideration in this.

Can I please ask parents to park courteously and not to block driveways of our neighbours, nor to park on both sides of the road in the Scott Road cul-de-sac.

Thank you.



## Music News



CHOIR started rehearsals on Thursday lunchtime with a fabulous turn-out and made a wonderful sound – what a great start! We are already preparing for the Primrose Proms Concert on the evening of Friday October 13<sup>th</sup>, here at Walkwood, where Walkwood Choir will be guests of the Primrose Choir, together with the Alcester Silver Band. This will be a very exciting event, so we will need lots of singers from all year groups to take part. Most of our rehearsals will take place at lunchtimes (12.50pm in the Music Room, so those children coming to rehearsal will need to go into first lunch sitting), and in addition we shall need to have rehearsals after school on Tuesdays in the Music Room until 4.45pm.

Tickets for this concert will be on sale very soon – letters will be sent home with choir members towards the end of next week.



ORCHESTRA will start on Monday next week in the Music Room from 8.45am until 9.30am. Pupils should register very quickly first.

INSTRUMENTAL TUITION will start next week. Details of days and times have been going up on the Music Room notice board during the last few days. All the new beginner instrumentalists will have information sent to their VT group telling them the time of their first lesson.

These are the days for instrumental tuition so far:

Monday – Brass, Oboe, Cello

Wednesday – Guitar, Clarinet

Thursday – Keyboard, Flute, Violin

Friday - Singing

(The day for drum lessons will be confirmed as soon as possible).



### MUSIC SUCCESS

Congratulations to the following pupils who took exams at the end of the Summer Term:

Daniel Wild – Drums – Grade 1

Catherine Hill – Violin – Grade 3

Mrs C Griffiths

## Lunch menu from September 2017



We are sourcing ingredients that will allow halal options, which will be confirmed later this term. Chicken products are already halal.

# £2.20

for a full meal

The new three-week rotation began this week as 'week 1', so it is 'week 2' next week.

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	
<b>Main meal</b>	<b>Monday</b>	Sausages Mash Vegetables ✔ Vegetarian Sausages	Chicken nuggets Pot wedges Baked beans ✔ Vegetarian Nuggets	Turkey meatballs Mash Vegetables, gravy ✔ Quorn Meatballs
	<b>Tuesday</b>	Lasagne Garlic bread ✔ Vegetarian Lasagne	Pasta Bolognese Garlic bread ✔ Quorn Bolognese	Tuna bake Garlic bread ✔ Macaroni Cheese
	<b>Wednesday</b>	Roast pork and stuffing Roast potatoes Vegetables ✔ Quorn Burger	Roast chicken and stuffing Roast potatoes Vegetables ✔ Vegetable Pastry Parcel	Roast beef and Yorkshire puddings Roast potatoes Vegetables ✔ Roast Quorn Fillet
	<b>Thursday</b>	Chinese chicken curry Rice ✔ Chinese Vegetable Curry	BBQ chicken Rice ✔ BBQ Quorn Fillet	Chicken tikka Rice ✔ Vegetable Samosa
	<b>Friday</b>	Fish and chips Beans or peas ✔ Cheese and Onion Pasty	Fish stars Chips Beans or peas ✔ Vegetable fingers	Ocean burger Chips Beans or peas ✔ Vegetable Burgers
<b>All the above £1.40</b>				
<b>Selection of puddings, cheese &amp; biscuits, fruit</b>				
Choice of puddings, yoghurt or fruit <b>40p</b>				
Juice carton <b>40p</b> Flavoured water <b>50p</b>				

<b>Self-select</b>	<i>Daily selection from:</i> pizzas, paninis, sausage or onion roll, soft filled baguettes <b>£1.00</b>
	Choice of the salad bar <b>35p</b>
	Choice of puddings, yoghurt or fruit <b>40p</b>
	Juice carton <b>40p</b> Flavoured water <b>50p</b>

<b>Jacket Potato</b>	Fillings of cheese, tuna, beans (or combination) <b>£1.30</b>
	Choice of puddings, yoghurt or fruit <b>40p</b> Juice carton <b>40p</b> Flavoured water <b>50p</b>

✔ = main meal vegetarian options



## Pupil Leadership Team 2017-18

Role	Name of Student	Tutor Group
Head Boy	Daniel Wild	MNSA
Head Girl	Lily-Mae Lev	BCLO
Abberley Captain	Edward Carter	ALWA
Abberley Vice Captain	Olivia Hadley	ALBA
Bredon Captain	Charlotte Rees	BCJO
Bredon Vice Captain	Owen Norris	BLBO
Cleeve Captain	Tom Jauncey	CHTR
Cleeve Vice Captain	Raff Di Meo	CTPO
Malvern Captain	Jake Hemming	MDSL
Malvern Vice Captain	Daniel Price	MKRE
Parliament Speaker & Prefect	Nathan Smyth	BHLI
	Abigayle Court	AAGA
	Catherine Hill	BJHY
Prefects	Nicole Huxley	ARMA
	Grace Savage	ALBA
	Thomas Cacciottolo	ARMA
	Harry Shaw	AECO
	Kieron Baker	AAGA
	Katrina Forrest	AAGA
	Nathan Such	AECO
	Alannis Barnes	BCJO
	Zaynab Noor	BCJO
	Amelia Watkiss	BJHY
	Leah Mullis	BJHY
	Kymani Ebanks	CMBI
	Georgina Stroud	CCMI
	Callum Hickey	CAMI
	Kyle Stuart-Stephens	CHTR
	Joe Homer	CHTR
	Toby Reynolds	CTPO
	Georgie Pace	CCHU
	Lilly Moorman	CCPH
Keira Sellers	MNSA	
Corbin Brooks	MMMG	



# Welcome to Walkwood!



Mrs Shanley returns to teach English, as does Miss Gandy.

Mr Peace joins the Maths department for this year, with Mrs Venross also teaching Maths for this term.

Miss Tromans will be teaching both PE and Humanities, while Miss Boyd will be teaching both Humanities and Spiritual and Social Education.

In our support of pupils' work, Mr Britten, Mr Wootton and Mrs Stacey join us as teaching assistants, who will work across the four year groups.

Mrs Deakin is the school's Chaplain, and will work Mondays and Tuesdays supporting the spirituality of our school, alongside her youth work commitment at the Oasis Christian Centre here in Redditch.

Finally, our Deputy Principal was married in the summer holidays, so we welcome back Mrs Perks.

## Open Evening



Wednesday 11th October,  
beginning at 6.30pm



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regardless of background, challenge or need



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PEARSON  
TEACHING  
AWARDS

## Congratulations

Clive Leach

Walkwood Church of England Middle School

The Award for Headteacher  
of the Year in a Secondary School

## Certificate of Excellence

Pearson Teaching Awards 2017

Thank you for making a difference

Peter Clarke  
Chairman  
Teaching Awards Trust

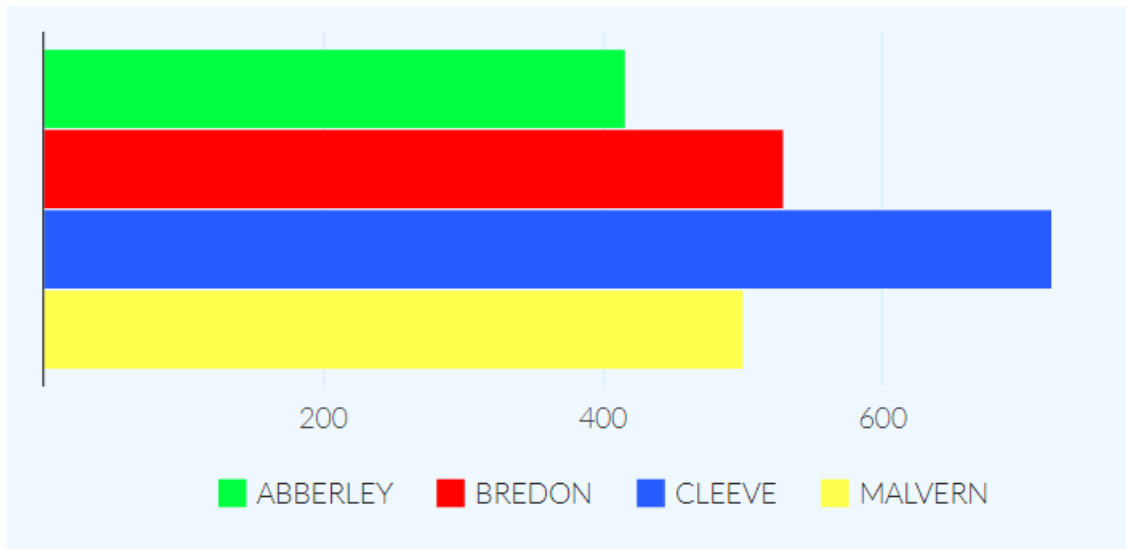
Rod Bristow  
Chair of the UK panel of  
Teaching Awards judges



# Epraise Update



## Points This Week: By College



## Top Ten Points Scorers

1. Daniel Rawal (MDSL) (15)
2. Darcey Hocking (CHTR) (13)
3. Luke Moisy (MDSL) (13)
4. Drew Felton (MKRE) (13)
5. Fraser Onens (CHTR) (13)
6. Bella Williams (CHTR) (13)
7. Lexie Lee (MDSL) (12)
8. Sean Hill (MPJE) (11)
9. Sam Neill (ALBA) (11)
10. Riley Martin (MDSL) (11)



# Looking ahead



	Date	Event
2017	Monday 4 & Tuesday 5 September	Staff Development Days
	Wednesday 6 September	First day of the Autumn Term
	Monday 11 September	Individual School Photographs
	Friday 29 September	Y5 Parents' Tea 2-3 pm
	Wednesday 11 October	Open Evening for prospective Y5 intake 2018
	Friday 20 October	Staff Development Day
	Monday 23 – Friday 27 October	<b>Half-Term</b>
	Wednesday 1 November	Y5 Parents' Evening 4—7 pm
	Thursday 9 November	SATs Information Evening 7 pm
	Monday 4 December	Parents' Maths KS2 Workshop 6.30—7.30 pm
	Tuesday 12 December	Christmas Concert 7.30 pm
	Tuesday 19 December	<b>End of Term</b>
2018	Wednesday 3 January	Staff Development Day
	Thursday 4 January	First day of the Spring Term
	Monday 15 January	Parent English KS2 Workshop 6.30—7.30 pm
	Thursday 1 February	Y6 & Y8 Parents' Evening 4—7 pm
	Wednesday 7 February	Y6 & Y8 Parents' Evening 4—7 pm
	Thursday 15 February	Y5 & Y7 reports to Parents / Carers
	Monday 19 – Friday 23 February	<b>Half-Term</b>
	Friday 9 March	Parent Focus Group 2.00—3.00 pm
	Thursday 29 March	<b>End of term</b>
	Monday 16 April	First day of the Summer Term
	Wednesday 16 May	Y5 Brecon Beacons information evening 6.30 pm
	Monday 28 May—Friday 1 June	<b>Half-Term</b>
	Monday 4 June	Staff Development Day
	Thursday 7 June	Y5 & Y7 Parents' Evening 4—7 pm
	Wednesday 13 June	Y5 & Y7 Parents' Evening 4—7 pm
	Monday 9 July	Parent Focus group 6 pm
Tuesday 24 July	<b>End of Term</b>	