

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you read this, about half of Year 6 will have left Redditch and will be heading for Yorkshire, where we expect to arrive mid-afternoon. Those who have remained at school will have had a day off-timetable with some additional physical activity. The other year groups have been very accepting of the changes that SATs require of us for this week, although I suspect Year 8 would have preferred not to have to do their exams!

There are details inside of the arrangements for Sports day, which will be weather dependant. Please take note of the access to the field and the lunch requirements for pupils as we shall not have a canteen providing hot food. We shall check the long range weather forecast when we publish The Insider next week.

Last Friday, while we were sending out The Insider, interviews for the post of Bredon College Leader were on-going. This vacancy has arisen as Mr Walsh will leave at the end of the academic year to take up a teaching position in the United Arab Emirates. After a very full day of activities for the candidates, with pupils having a voice through two different panels, the decision was to offer the job to our internal candidate, Mr Hunt. He shall become College Leader in September, and his tutor group will be taken over by another teacher - more details of the pastoral arrangements for the new academic year will be shared in the weeks to come.

There have been a number of pupils who have complained of not feeling well this last week, but some of this is because they have not had sufficient water during the day. My plea, therefore, is that pupils have a water bottle which they can refill using the water stands in three places in the school. Also, please name the bottles - we do end up with quite a few at the end of each week. In fact, if your pupil has lost a pair of glasses, these may also be awaiting at Reception!

Finally, I wish to thank all the staff who have contributed to the extensive provision of extra-curricular activities so far this term, and those who are giving up their time to participate in both residential and sporting trips.

Rev C Leach  
Principal

Who can measure the wealth and wisdom and knowledge of God? Who can understand his decisions or explain what he does?  
Romans 11:33

#### A Fairtrade Prayer

Creator God,

You created a beautiful world for all your children. As we taste and smell the fruits of this creation, help us to remember those who farm the land to grow them. Help us live in a partnership of love and support with those who produce our food and drink so that we might enable others to feed their families and create a sustainable future.

Amen

This week's theme was:

#### Fair Trade

**And if you make a sale to your neighbour or buy from your neighbour, you shall not wrong one another.**

Leviticus 25:1

**Whole School Attendance – 96.27%**

**Whole School Target – 95.6%**

**07.05.18 - 11.05.18**

**Year 5 — 97.94 %**

**Year 6 — 96.31%**

**Year 7 — 94.75%**

**Year 8 — 95.87%**



# For the week ahead

<b>The Fruit of Faith is:</b>	<b>Honesty</b>	If you try to be honest, you can be, and it will improve your character as handsome clothing improves your appearance. Birds come to roost with those of their own kind, and the habit of honesty comes to those who try to be honest. <i>Sirach 27: 8-9</i>
<b>The tutor group virtue:</b>	<b>Justice</b>	When justice is done, it is a joy to the righteous but terror to evildoers. <i>Proverbs 21:15</i>
<b>The assembly theme:</b>	<b>Pentecost</b>	When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a noise like a strong, blowing wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw something like flames of fire that were separated and stood over each person there. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they began to speak different languages by the power the Holy Spirit was giving them. <i>Acts 2: 1-4</i>

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

<b>The weekend</b>	A time of celebration with our Royal Family	<b>Monday</b>	Peace between conflicting countries
<b>Tuesday</b>	The Prime Minister and the decisions she must make	<b>Wednesday</b>	The lives of those with life-threatening illnesses
<b>Thursday</b>	Public services	<b>Friday</b>	A great start to the school half term.





# Top Readers for 17th April 2018 - 17th May 2018

Congratulations to:

## Top Girl

Ashleigh Morris (CAMI 6) - who has read an incredible 574,980 words

## Top Boy

Charlie Senior (CCHU 5) - who has read a fantastic 762,204 words



Keep reading Walkwood, next week it could be YOU .....

Here is the link to enable pupils to do a quiz at home

<https://ukhosted23.renlearn.co.uk/2250823>

## Sports Clubs News

Due to Sports Day organisations, Sports Day and Parents' Evening the only clubs which will run on the week of 4<sup>th</sup> June will be All Years Tennis Club on Friday. Clubs will return to normal the following week.

Thanks for your understanding,

PE Department



## Year 5 Brecon Beacons Trip

Thanks to everyone who attended the information evening on the 16<sup>th</sup> May. If you were unable to attend, an information booklet has been sent home with your child. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions.

If you have any payments outstanding please can these be paid as soon as possible.

Please follow our twitter account @WalkwoodSchool. We will be tweeting information such as our safe arrival in Llangorse and expected arrival time back at Walkwood on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June.



# THE WALKWOOD NEWS

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## Success for Year 6 Football!

Walkwood have done incredibly well this year within all football competitions they have participated in, and the success has continued. The Walkwood Year 6 Girls Football Team run by Mr Macdonald have qualified for the Premier League Primary Stars National Finals at the King Power Stadium. They battled their way through an initial qualifying tournament of 20 teams and then followed this up with a convincing display in the tournament of champions from across the Midlands. On Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May they now represent West Brom and have been drawn in an exciting but tough group consisting of Arsenal, Swansea, Huddersfield and Everton! The school is so immensely proud of the girls and all they have achieved as a team this year. We look forward to the experience and go there full of confidence and pride.



We would like to thank HD Property Services (Midlands) Ltd. for sponsoring our girls in the finals, with a generous contribution that has allowed us to buy the girls a finals jacket that they can keep as a memento of their day.

Good luck girls!



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## Success for Year 6 Football!

Walkwood's Year 6 Boys football team reached the English Schools F.A. 7-a-side National Finals after winning the Midlands Finals event in Nottingham on Saturday. The school qualified after winning the Worcestershire Finals and were grouped with schools representing Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire, Wolverhampton and Birmingham. Walkwood went through to face Whitchurch (Shropshire) and after a 1-0 win, they reached the final against West Bridgford (Nottingham). A 1-1 draw led to a penalty shootout with Walkwood coming out on top. Walkwood will now go to the English Schools F.A. National Finals at the Ricoh Arena in Coventry as part of the final 8 schools in the country.



We would like to thank once again Oulsnam Estate Agents (Redditch) for sponsoring our kit! It seems to have helped bring us some luck and hope this continues on Saturday.

Good luck boys bring home the trophy!

Mr Sanders is incredibly proud of the boys' efforts and the boys had to pull together as we had four players away on a cricket tour. The boys keep finding ways to win and there is a great team spirit within the group. The finals will be another level of challenge for them having won all 7 and 9-a-side tournaments since they started in Year 5 last year.





With Sports Day 2018 looming, I am writing with a few details of the day. Our Sports Day's emphasis really is on College allegiance as well as whole school participation. The whole school will be down on the field for the majority of the day. Cold snacks and drinks will be available to purchase on the field during morning break time and ice creams/lollies at lunch so pupils will need to bring in money if they wish to buy anything. Please ensure your child/children have **a large bottle of water (1L)** and a snack.



Lunchtime will take place on the field, therefore, please provide your child/children with a packed lunch. (For children who receive Free School Meals, a packed lunch will be provided.)

Parents are invited to join us; there will be a spectators area in which you must remain during the events, however there will be an opportunity for you to eat lunch with your child during the specified time. Parents and families are more than welcome to bring their own seating or blankets.

**Access to the field will be via the entrance on Swinbourne Road only after 9.30am. There will be no access through Walkwood reception or Vaynor First School.**

As every child is expected to take part in an event, may I take this opportunity to ask you to make sure that your child/children are in the correct kit: black shorts, white polo shirt, blue or white socks and trainers. Rugby tops and black tracksuit bottoms may be worn whilst waiting for their event. Pupils are to come to school in their school PE kit only – there will be no negotiation on kit, if it is not correct, they will not participate and have alternative work to do. If you have any problems/queries please contact school before the day.



**Please also ensure that your child is equipped for our varying weather i.e. waterproof jacket, hat and sun cream and bring any medication with them. Please note, we are not allowed to give out or apply sun cream.**

Every child is expected to take part in at least one event. They will be representing and gaining points for their college in doing so.

Parental and family support in previous years has been brilliant and I hope you will join us this year to acknowledge and celebrate the talented and committed children we have here at Walkwood. Please note that the order of events is an estimation and we may run slightly ahead or behind schedule. So please take this into consideration, to avoid the disappointment of potentially missing your child's event.

**Pupils will not be able to leave after their event has finished, they will return back to tutor to be dismissed at 3.30pm.**

We are aware that some parents will wish to take pictures of their children, can we ask that pictures are only of your child and that they are not put on social media, this helps us to ensure safeguarding of our pupils.

We will look forward to seeing you and let's pray for sunshine!

# Sports Day 2018 – Order of Events

## Track events:

- 9.15: Welcome
- 9.20: Y5 Girls 80 metres heats
- 9.30: Y5 Boys 80 metres heats
- 9.40: Y6 Girls 80 metres heats
- 9.50: Y6 Boys 80 metres heats
- 10.00: Y7 Girls 100 metres heats
- 10.05: Y7 Boys 100 metres heats
- 10.10: Y8 Girls 100 metres heats
- 10.15: Y8 Boys 100 metres heats
- 10.25: Y5 Girls 150 metres heats
- 10.35: Y5 Boys 150 metres heats
- 10.45: Y6 Girls 150 metres heats
- 10.55: Y6 Boys 150 metres heats
- 11.05: Y7 Girls 200 metres heats
- 11.10: Y7 Boys 200 metres heats
- 11.15: Y8 Girls 200 metres heats
- 11.20: Y8 Boys 200 metres heats
- 11.30: Y7 Boys 300 metres heats
- 11.35: Y8 Boys 300 metres heats
- 11.40: Y5 Girls 600 metres
- 11.45: Y5 Boys 600 metres
- 11.50: Y6 Girls 600 metres
- 11.55: Y6 Boys 600 metres
- 12.00 – 12.30: Lunch
- 12.40: Y5 Girls 80 metres final
- 12.42: Y5 Boys 80 metres final
- 12.45: Y6 Girls 80 metres final
- 12.47: Y6 Boys 80 metres final
- 12.50: Y7 Girls 100 metres final
- 12.52: Y7 Boys 100 metres final
- 12.55: Y8 Girls 100 metres final
- 12.57: Y8 Boys 100 metres final
- 13.00: Y5 Girls 150 metres final
- 13.02: Y5 Boys 150 metres final
- 13.05: Y6 Girls 150 metres final
- 13.07: Y6 Boys 150 metres final
- 13.10: Y7 Girls 200 metres final
- 13.12: Y7 Boys 200 metres final
- 13.15: Y8 Girls 200 metres final
- 13.17: Y8 Boys 200 metres final
- 13.20: Y7 Boys 300 metres final
- 13.22: Y8 Boys 300 metres final



## Field Events:

- 9.20: Y7 Girls Javelin
- Y8 Girls Shot
- Y7 Boys Long Jump
- Y7 Boys High Jump
- Y8 Girls High Jump
- 9.50: Y7 Boys Javelin
- Y8 Boys Shot
- Y7 Girls Long Jump
- 10.15: Y8 Boys High Jump
- Y7 Girls High Jump
- 10.20: Y8 Girls Javelin
- Y7 Girls Shot
- Y8 Boys Long Jump
- 10.50: Y8 Boys Javelin
- Y7 Boys Shot
- Y8 Girls Long Jump
- 11.10: Y6 Boys High Jump
- Y5 Girls High Jump
- 11.20: Y8 Girls Discus
- Y5 Boys Cricket Ball
- Y6 Girls Long Jump
- 12.40: Y8 Boys Discus
- Y5 Girls Rounders Ball
- Y5 Boys Long Jump
- Y5 Boys High Jump
- Y6 Girls High Jump
- 13.10: Y7 Girls Discus
- Y6 Boys Cricket Ball
- Y5 Girls Long Jump
- 13.40: Y7 Boys Discus
- Y6 Girls Rounders Ball
- Y5 Boys Long Jump



**Track events (continued):**

13.25: Y7 Girls 800 metres  
13.33: Y7 Boys 800 metres  
13.40: Y8 Girls 800 metres  
13.48: Y8 Boys 800 metres  
13.55: Y7 & 8 Girls 1500 metres  
14.05: Y7 & 8 Boys 1500 metres  
14.15: Y5 Girls Relay  
14.20: Y5 Boys Relay  
14.25: Y6 Girls Relay  
14.30: Y6 Boys Relay  
14.35: Y7 Girls Relay  
14.40: Y7 Boys Relay  
14.45: Y8 Girls Relay  
14.50: Y8 Boys Relay

**Field Events (continued):**

14.10 Y8 Boys Triple Jump



# Some useful handwriting tips

Lego, Meccano, screwing on toothpaste tops, sauce bottles and threading beads are all good exercises for hand to eye co-ordination.



Rolling out pastry or kneading dough will really build up the small muscles at the base of the thumb and little finger.



Art activities such as scratch off foil cards or fill a shape with small dots using a paintbrush.





# Trips and Visits

## 2017 - 18



DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	OPEN TO	COST	LEADER
<b>June</b>					
Wed 20—Fri 22	Arts and Theatres	London	Y8	£ 280	Rev Leach
Fri 22—Mon 25	Outward Bound	Wales	Y8	£ 270	Mr Jenkin
Fri 22— Mon 25	Outward Bound	Brecon Beacons	Y5	£ 155	Mr Macdonald / Mrs Cull



## Clubs and Activities starting 23rd April 2018



	Before School 7:45am – 8:45am	Lunchtime 12.35 – 1.20pm	After School 3:30pm – 4:45pm
<b>Monday</b>	<p>Homework Club Library</p> <p>Orchestra Music Room 8.45-9.30am (CGR)</p>	<p>KS3 Art Club starting 18<sup>th</sup> September (ECO)</p> <p>Monday lunchtime DT block Movie Club all years (AMI)</p> <p>Card Making Club Room 3 (STA)</p> <p>Maths Club for KS2 and KS3 Room 6 (HBA and LTH)</p>	<p>Homework Club Library 3.30–4.30pm</p>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<p>Homework Club Library</p>	<p>KS2 Art Club Art Room (ECO)</p> <p>Card Making Club <span style="color: red;">(invite only)</span> Art Room (STA)</p> <p>Code Club Tech Block All years welcome (RMA/AMI)</p>	<p>Homework Club Library 3.30–4.30pm</p> <p>Year 5/6 Science Club 3.30-4.30pm Lab 1 (JHD)</p> <p>All years Athletics Club (starts 1st May due to fixtures) 3.30-4.45pm (RMA/CHU/KRE/LMO/ HTR)</p>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<p>Homework Club Library</p>	<p>Signing Club (All year groups) Textiles Room (JHA)</p> <p>Silent Reading Club Room 19 (LBA)</p> <p>'Colouring for Mindfulness' Club on Wednes- days, Room 9, from 12.50-1.20pm (MMG, PCO)</p>	<p>Homework Club Library 3.30–4.30pm</p> <p>Cooking Club 3.30–4.45pm (DSL) <span style="color: red;">(rota of when you are cooking will be con- firmed)</span></p> <p>7/8 Boys Cricket 3.30-4.45pm (SWE and PJE)</p> <p>7/8 Rounders Club 3.30-4.45 pm (KRE/LMO)</p> <p>5/6 Girls Cricket Club 3.30-4.45pm (CHU)</p>



## Clubs and Activities Spring Term starting 23rd April 2018



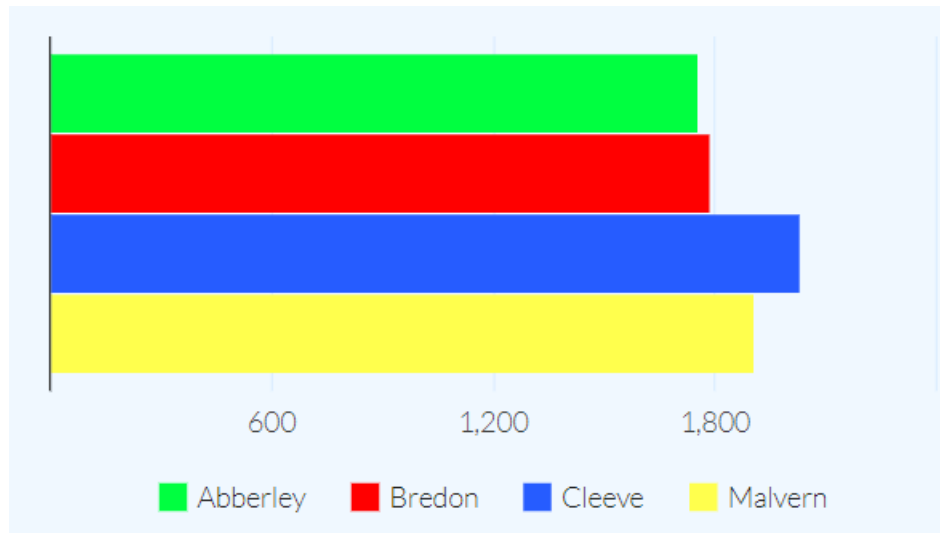
<b>Thursday</b>	Homework Club Library	Choir (all year groups) Music Room 12.50-1.20pm (CGR)  Green Ambassadors Club All years <b>Week 2 only</b> 12.35 – if you need a lunch pass collect from MBI	Homework Club Library 3.30–4.30pm  5/6 Girls Rounders 3.30-4.45pm (KRE/HTR/NFO)  5/6 Boys Cricket 3.30-4.45pm (SWA/CHU/DPA)
<b>Friday</b>	Homework Club Library	EAL club Friday lunch time ( <b>the first Friday of every month</b> ). <b>In the LRC with ZBi</b> For anyone who speaks English as an additional language and your friends.  Bring your lunch along.	Homework Club Library 3.30–4.30pm  All years Boys and Girls Tennis Club (DPA/NFO)



# Epraise Update



## Points This Week: By College



## Top Ten Points Scorers

1. 🏠 Drew Felton (MKRE) (28)
2. 🏠 Summer Ewing-Boulton (CCHU) (27)
3. 🍌 Zayna Shafaqat (BSTA) (25)
4. 🏠 Holly Hart (CCHU) (24)
4. 🏠 Hallie Treadgold (CCHU) (24)
4. 🏠 Caitlin Elmes (CCHU) (24)
4. 🏠 Ella-Mae Tierney (CCHU) (24)
4. 🏠 Samantha Goode (CCHU) (24)
9. 🏠 Emily Spencer (CCHU) (23)
10. 🏠 Sean Hill (MPJE) (22)



# Looking ahead



	Date	Event
2 0 1 8	Monday 28 May—Friday 1 June	<b>Half-Term</b>
	Monday 4 June	Staff Development Day
	Thursday 7 June	Y5 & Y7 Parents' Evening 4.00—7.00 pm
	Wednesday 13 June	Y5 & Y7 Parents' Evening 4.00—7.00 pm
	Monday 9 July	Parent Focus group 6 pm
	Tuesday 10th July	Summer Concert 7.30 pm
	Tuesday 24 July	<b>End of Term</b>
	Monday 3 & Tuesday 4 September	Staff Development Days
	Wednesday 5 September	First day of the Autumn Term
	Friday 26 October	Staff Development Day
	Monday 29 Oct to Friday 2 November	<b>Half term</b>
	Friday 21 December	<b>End of Term</b>

2 0 1 9	Monday 7 January	Staff Development Day
	Tuesday 8 January	First day of the Spring Term
	Monday 18—Friday 22 February	<b>Half Term</b>
	Friday 12 April	<b>End of Term</b>
	Monday 29 April	First day of the Summer Term
	Monday 27—Friday 31 May	<b>Half Term</b>
	Friday 19 July	<b>End of Term</b>