

Dear Parents and Carers,

Football has been evident since the last Insider. Firstly, on Saturday, our Year 6 boys played in the national competition coming top of the two groups that were playing. They then proceeded to the semi finals where the opposing team played a defensive game which resulted in a penalty shoot out. This went to the advantage of the other team. However, our goalkeeper, Matty, was awarded a silver plate for his sportsmanship through the tournament - for which we are rightly proud. Secondly, the Under 11 girls played at West Brom in the junior premiership tournament. They had some strong games which were well fought, played in true Walkwood spirit and were a credit to themselves and our school. Our thanks to HD Developments for their sponsorship of the kit.

The preparations for Sports Day have been advancing this week. Pupils have been allocated events and the order of those are contained within this Insider. The weather for the day is currently estimated to be very good (see right) although there are showers forecast for the half-term week! The arrangements are noted on Page 3 - please take note of the need for packed lunches and parents' access to the site.



There were 95 Year 6 pupils in Yorkshire over the last weekend, and they participated in four main activities: seashore trek (hunting in rock pools and for fossils), orienteering on the Dales, scrambling along a beck (a local word for a stream) and time in the woods which involved making campfires and toasting marshmallows. The sunny weather was a real boon. The pupils who remained in school had a special day of activities, which I gather they enjoyed. (We tried to do the same for last year's Year 6, but were defeated by the weather on the four occasions which were available on our busy summer calendar.)

Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honouring each other.

Romans 12:10

Rev C Leach
Principal

A Prayer for Pentecost

Father,

We thank you for Pentecost when you sent your spirit down to be with us. We praise your name that we can be supported and lifted up by the spirit, and guided onto your path for us. Thank you Lord that we are blessed by your spirit and that He is with us wherever we go. Thank you that He helps us to speak to you. In your name.

Amen

This week's theme was:

Pentecost

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.

Acts 2:1-4

Whole School Attendance –96.5%

Whole School Target – 95.6%

14.05.18 - 18.05.18

Year 5 — 95.66%

Year 6 — 98.07%

Year 7 — 95.39%

Year 8 — 97.01%



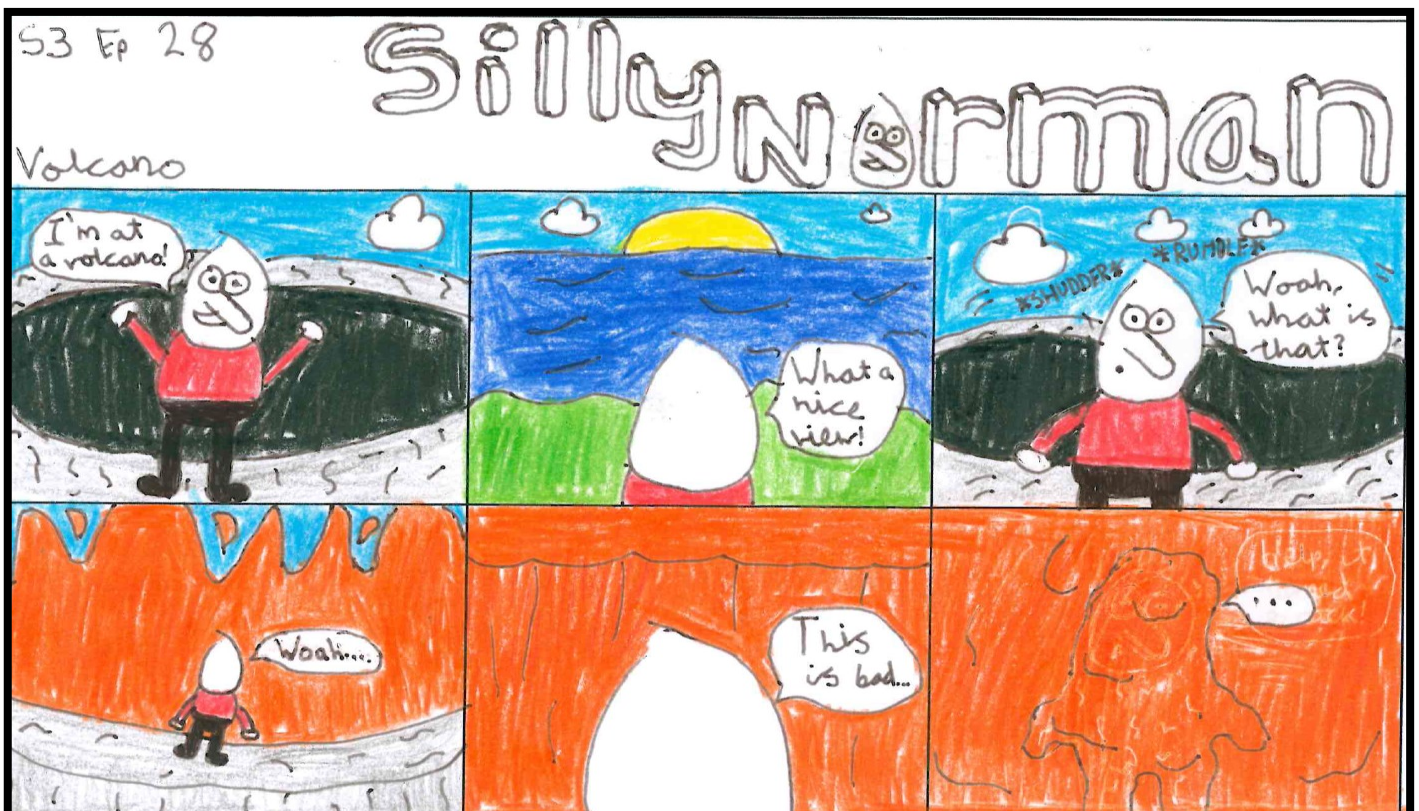
For the week ahead



The Fruit of Faith is:	Honesty	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>
The tutor group virtue:	Justice	When justice is done, it is a joy to the righteous but terror to evildoers. <i>Proverbs 21:15</i>
The assembly theme:	The Ten Commandments	He proclaimed the laws you must obey—the Ten Commandments—and wrote them on two stone tablets. <i>Deuteronomy 4:13</i>

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

The weekend	Enjoyable times together as families	Monday	The homeless community in Redditch
Tuesday	Those involved in the Grenfell inquiries	Wednesday	Remembering the tragic event that took place last year in Manchester
Thursday	The NHS doctors, nurses and support staff	Friday	The elderly who are lonely.





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 - Wednesday 6th June 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
- Y6 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



Charity News

Last week's Bake Sale raised £50.85 for Cancer Research UK. The girls who were involved were:

Mia Norris (BCLO)
Ruby Savage (AMLA)
Amber Norris (BCLO)
Issabelle Burton (CCMI)



CANCER
RESEARCH
UK

Also raising money from another Bake Sale are:

Lucy-May Powell (CCMI)
Evie Barnish (AECO)
Amelia Watkiss (BJHY)

who raised a wonderful £40.77 for the charity Worcestershire Young Carers, which provides support for young people with a caring role at home.



Well done girls!



Top Readers for 24th April 2018—24th May 2018

Congratulations to:

Top Girl

Aleeza Naveed Ata (BJHY 5) - who has read an incredible 507,669 words

Top Boy

Charlie Senior (CCHU 5) - who has read a fantastic 512,212 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 4th June will be All Years Tennis Club on Friday. Clubs will return to normal the following week.

Thanks for your understanding,
PE Department



Parking



It has been drawn to our attention that parents are parking within the cul-de-sac on Feckenham Road which means that the residents who live there cannot get in or out as the cars are parked inconsiderately, especially on the corners of this road. Please can you be mindful of other residents when parking.

Dance Festival

On 25th April, the Year 7 and 8 girls went to Tudor Grange High School to perform in a Dance Festival. The following girls took part and have been working really hard since before Christmas to perfect the routine. The girls danced to a remake of the 'Little Red Riding Hood' story. We performed our dance along with a mix of schools from across the Redditch district. All schools were dancing at a very high standard but Walkwood set the bar even higher. Walkwood were the third school to participate and all eager to get dancing and pulled out a show stopping performance.

We should be extremely proud of ourselves; we really enjoyed the experience and had a wonderful time. A big thank you to Miss Reeves for her amazing choreography and all the girls who took part in this event.

By, Lilly, Hope, Shannon and Charlotte.



Year 5 and 7 Parents' Evening Bookings

Mr Foster should now be available on Insight to book Year 5 and 7 parents' evening appointments with. Unfortunately we are unable to carry over those appointments already booked with Miss Boyd so parents will need to re-book with Mr Foster. Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

Music News

We have a busy musical half term coming up, with a couple of dates for your diaries.

Tuesday 12th June is our Walkwood Music Festival where our choir will be joined by other choirs for what is always a lovely morning of singing.

Friday 29th June is the Trinity Pyramid Concert. Our choir will spend the afternoon rehearsing at Trinity with other local schools, preparing for the evening concert which starts at 6.00pm and usually lasts for just over an hour. There will be a limited number of tickets for this – more details as soon as we know them.

Tuesday 10th July is our Summer Concert, starting at 7.30pm. The Choir and Orchestra will be performing, and some of our musicians are already preparing their solos and duets. Details about this event will be sent nearer the time.

Several pupils are preparing for their music exams this term – those musicians need to be practising for at least ten minutes every day – please support them by reminding them to practise!

Mrs C Griffiths



Mrs Griffiths and Mr Wootton took groups of Year 7 pupils to HOW College, Bromsgrove and Redditch, last Wednesday and Thursday. We visited three different campus's - I preferred the Bromsgrove and main Redditch College. It was very exciting. I discovered that they have a media and film course; this interested me the most.

Keiren Thompson MKRE



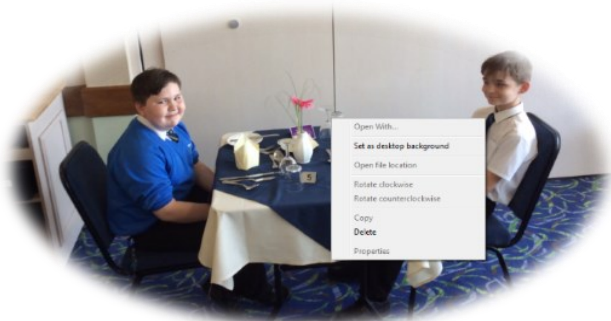
I liked the engineering, car and motorbikes mechanics the best at the Bromsgrove College. At the Redditch Construction College, I liked brick laying and plumbing. I couldn't believe how big the college was.

Ashton Croft CAMI



I enjoyed the trip to HOW College; it really opened my eyes to see what I could do as a job. On the trip, we were told about all the different courses. You can do computer gaming, fashion, car and bike mechanics, engineering, art, design and building. It was good fun and I now have some ideas as to what to do in the future.

Ollie Seal MKRE



I enjoyed seeing the motorbike department; it was cool.

Tommy Allen BCJO



My HOW College experience was lovely and inspirational because I found out that I could train as a hairdresser there. I enjoyed watching the college pupils play basketball and going into the Life Skills flat. It was an amazing experience.

Erin Wakefield ALBA

I liked looking at the engineering and building departments, because they were interesting. There were lots of opportunities.

Shaun Gumbley CCHU



My trip to HOW College, Redditch and Bromsgrove. First, we went to HOW College Bromsgrove, this site was for design and engineering. My favourite part was the Green Screen, because you could make yourself look like you are somewhere else.

Secondly, we went to the Construction College in Redditch, it was a hard graft to learn trades like building and architecture. Our feet got dirty with all the plaster dust.

Lastly, we went to the HOW College near the town centre, where you could learn about travel and tourism, hair and beauty, massage and sports. It was a good trip.

Liam Butcher BSTA



I liked the car and motorbike mechanics. I also liked the brick laying in the construction college.

Kai Speechley CTPO

I enjoyed the trip. I was very impressed by how big the College was!

Charlie South BSTA



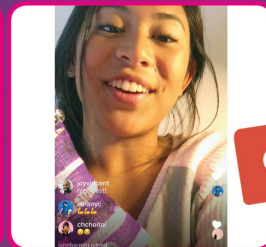
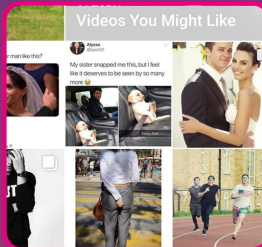
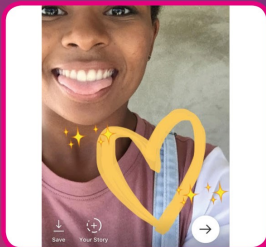
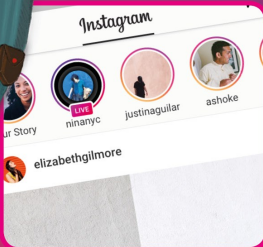
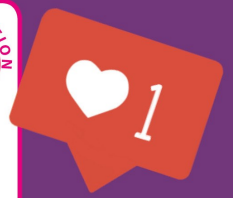
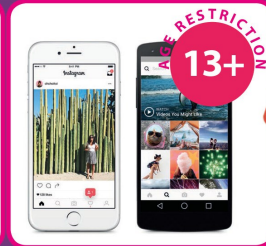
I enjoyed seeing the motorbike department, finding out what you can do if you go there. I also enjoyed the brick laying.

Corey Ross CCMI

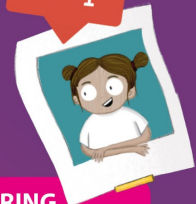




Instagram is an image and video sharing app that allows users to share moments with the world. The app has a live streaming feature and additional add-ons, such as 'Boomerang', 'Hyperlapse' and 'Layout', which can be used to enhance their feed. Users can choose to add filters and make adjustments to their photos, such as brightness/contrast. To make their content more 'searchable', users can include hashtags in their uploads to make them easier to find.



What parents need to know about INSTAGRAM



LIVE STREAMING TO STRANGERS

The live stream feature on Instagram allows users to connect with their friends and followers in real-time. Followers can comment on the video during the broadcast (which can be turned off in the settings). If your child has a private account, only their approved followers can see their story. It is important to note that they still may have followers that they do not know, which means they could be live streaming to strangers. A public account allows anybody to view their story. We suggest that your child goes through their followers list and blocks people they do not know. An additional risk with live streams is that your child may do something that they regret. This could be captured by a viewer taking a screenshot and further shared around the internet.

DAMAGE TO CONFIDENCE, BODY IMAGE & MENTAL HEALTH

When influencers, celebrities or peers use filters on their photos or videos on Instagram, it can set unrealistic expectations of their own appearance and create feelings of inadequacy and low self-esteem. Children may try to strive for a comparable number of likes on their own photo to an image or video that has been edited heavily.

NEW FOR MAY 2018

IN-APP PAYMENTS

Instagram is rolling out in-app payments for products and services directly through the app. It will operate under the same rules as Facebook Payments, which state if you are under the age of 18, you can only use Facebook Payments with the involvement of a parent or guardian.



PHOTO / VIDEO SHARING

Posting photos and videos is Instagram's biggest selling point, so with sharing images comes risks. A photo which includes landmarks in the area, their school uniform, street name, house and even tagging in the location of the photo uploaded to Instagram can expose the child's location making it easy to locate them. If their account is not set to private, anyone can access their account and see their images.

HIJACKED HASHTAGS

Like Twitter, hashtags are also an extremely prominent tool in Instagram and with that, comes potential risks for your child. One person may use a seemingly innocent hashtag with one thing in mind and before you know it, hundreds of people could be using the same hashtag for something inappropriate or dangerous that your child certainly shouldn't be exposed to.

LOCATION TAGGING

Public locations can be added to a users photos/videos and also to their stories. While this may seem like a good idea at the time, it can expose your child's location; this is particularly more of a risk if it is on their story, as it is in realtime.



National Online Safety

Top Tips for Parents



REMOVE PAYMENT METHODS

If you are happy for your child to have a card associated with their Instagram account, we suggest adding a PIN which needs to be entered before making a payment; this will also help prevent unauthorized purchases. This can be added in the payment settings tab.

RESTRICT MESSAGES

If your child's account is not private, anybody can message them and reply to their stories. If they do wish to keep their account public, we strongly recommend changing the message reply settings to restrict who can message them.

NEW FOR MAY 2018

FILTER INAPPROPRIATE COMMENTS

Instagram announced on 1st May that they now have an 'anti-bullying' filter on the app. The new filter hides comments containing attacks on a person's appearance or character, as well as threats to a person's well-being or health. The filter will also alert Instagram to repeated problems so they can take action on the user if necessary. This is an automatic filter, but it can be turned off. Make sure this is turned on in the apps settings.



TURN OFF SHARING

Even though this feature will not stop people from taking screenshots, it will stop others being able to directly share photos and videos from a story as a message to another user. This feature can be turned off in the settings. We also recommend turning off the feature which automatically shares photos and videos from a story to a Facebook account.

USE A PRIVATE ACCOUNT

By default, any image or video your child uploads to Instagram is visible to anyone. A private account means that you have to approve a request if somebody wants to follow you and only people you approve will see your posts and videos.



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Some useful handwriting tips

Foil scratch art encourages pen control and finger grip .



Open a bandage—place all fingers flat on table—using thumb gather up bandage under palm of hand.
When complete—slowly release bandage using thumb.





Trips and Visits

2017 - 18



DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	OPEN TO	COST	LEADER
June					
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
Monday	<p>Homework Club Library</p> <p>Orchestra Music Room 8.45-9.30am (CGR)</p>	<p>KS3 Art Club starting 18th 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>
Tuesday	<p>Homework Club Library</p>	<p>KS2 Art Club Art Room (ECO)</p> <p>Card Making Club (invite only) 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>
Wednesday	<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) (rota of when you are cooking will be con- firmed)</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



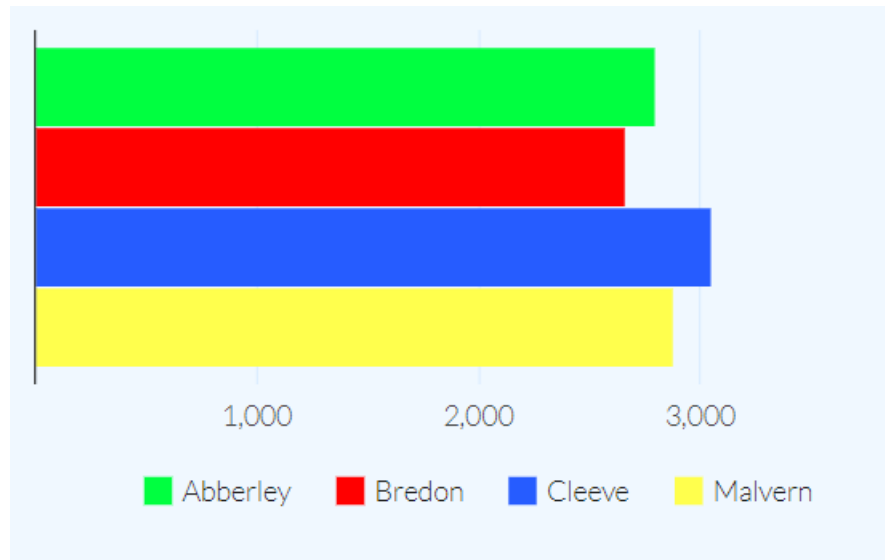
Thursday	Homework Club Library	Choir (all year groups) Music Room 12.50-1.20pm (CGR) Green Ambassadors Club All years Week 2 only 12.35 – if you need a lunch pass collect from MBI	Homework Club Library 3.30–4.30pm 5/6 Girls Rounders 3.30-4.45pm (KRE/HTR/NFO) 5/6 Boys Cricket 3.30-4.45pm (SWA/CHU/DPA)
Friday	Homework Club Library	EAL club Friday lunch time (the first Friday of every month). In the LRC with ZBi 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. 🏠 Edward Carter (ALWA) (32)
1. 🏠 Zac Abdullah (AML) (32)
1. 🏠 Lilly Millward (MPJE) (32)
1. 🏠 Lilly Gorton (MNSA) (32)
1. 🏠 Cameron Banks (BJHY) (32)
6. 🏠 Amelie Parsons (MPJE) (31)
6. 🏠 Amelia Bayley (CTPO) (31)
6. 🍊 Izzy Smith (BJHY) (31)
6. 🏠 Grace Savage (ALBA) (31)
6. 🏠 Emily Jones (MPJE) (31)



Looking ahead



	Date	Event
2 0 1 8	Monday 28 May—Friday 1 June	Half-Term
	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	End of Term
	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	Half term
	Friday 21 December	End of Term

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