

Dear Parents and Carers,

The big event this week has been Open Evening on Thursday which was superbly attended by parents and carers of current year 3 and 4 pupils. In fact, you may have been there too!

The feedback that was shared with me and other staff was overwhelmingly positive. Our pupils acted as guides for families so there was the chance to see the displays and presentations, but also the opportunity to ask pupils about the school itself. I feel it is important that our greatest ambassadors, our pupils, have a distinctive voice. We had just over a quarter of our pupils helping in some way or other, which is a testament of their commitment to their place of learning, as well as their loyalty to their staff.



Thank you very much to the many of you who allowed your youngster to participate in the Open Evening, and for acting as a taxi to and from school, when Feckenham Road was chock-a-block. Your support is really appreciated!

God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

From Psalm 67



Next Thursday after school is our 'settling in evening' for those of you with Year 5 children. The opportunity is to meet with your child's tutor again to check that all is well for the pupil, to raise any niggles and ensure progress is being made in learning. Appointments to be booked through ePraise, please.

Rev. C. Leach, Principal

School is **open** on **Friday 21st October**, and half term runs from Monday 24th – 28th October. Pupils are back in school on Monday 31st October.

This week's theme was: **Anti-bullying**

We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed.

2 Corinthians 4:8-9

Father, Thank you for your kindness and your forgiveness. Today we pray for those that have been hurt, and those that have hurt others, they might even be the same people. We pray that in our school we are aware of everyone's troubles, but also that we acknowledge that bullying is not acceptable. We pray that those who bully are forgiven and understand the hurt they have caused, and we pray for those who have been bullied, that they can forgive and teach others the way to respond. Amen.

Whole school Attendance

96.0%

Whole School Target

95.12%

03.10.22 to 07.10.22

Year 5 — 95.37%

Year 6 — 95.79%

Year 7 — 94.45%

Year 8 — 94.88%



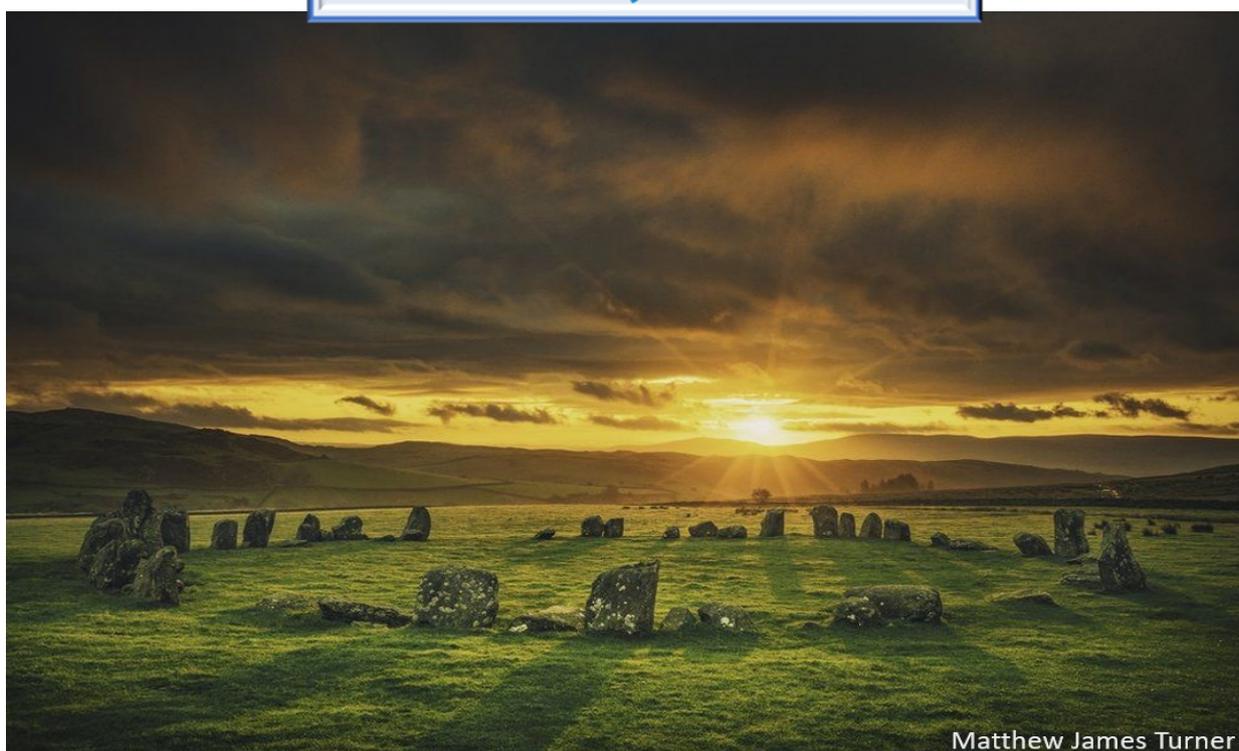
For the week ahead

The Fruit of Faith is:	Forgiveness	Love forgets mistakes; nagging about them parts the best of friends. <i>Proverbs 17:9</i>
The assembly theme will be:	Harvest	For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you. <i>Deuteronomy 8:7-10</i>

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

The weekend	distribution staff who ensure shops are stocked with all we need.	Monday	Walkwood's administration staff.
Tuesday	the provision of sports in all its forms.	Wednesday	a safe supply of water in all parts of the world.
Thursday	Year 5 pupils and their parents and carers.	Friday	safety for pupils during the half term week.

Picture of the Week

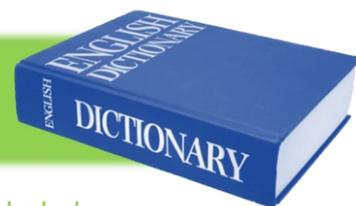


Matthew James Turner

Sunkenkirk, Lake District



Word of the Week



Each week, there is a word displayed here. If the pupils have a go at the tasks below linked to the weekly word, they will earn a point from their tutor. Once per fortnight the tutor will go through the previous two weeks' words and pupils will work collaboratively exploring their meanings, features and usage.

demarcate

1. What word class is this word? Could it belong to more than one word class?
2. How many syllables does it have?
3. Write the dictionary definition(s) of this word, using your own words.
4. What are the synonyms for the word?
5. What are the antonyms for the word?
6. Write four sentences, each containing the word.

Vary the type of sentence each time: write one as a statement; one as a question; one as a command and one as an exclamation sentence.

For example, if the Word of the Week were exhilarated:

Statement: Sam is feeling exhilarated this morning.



Trips and Visits



Date	Year group	Destination	Day trip?	Residential?	Cost
07/07 - 10/07/2023	5 [•]	Brecon Beacons		✓	£250
12/05/2023	6	Blackwell	✓		£38*
30/06 - 03/07/2023	7	Osmington Bay		✓	£285
19/07/2023	8	Drayton Manor	✓		£40*
04/02 - 11/02/2023	6,7,8 [•]	Obertauern,		✓	£1360

[•] Fully booked

* Current estimated cost



College Cross Country Runs

Dear Parent/Carer,

As part of both the PE Curriculum and intra-school competition, your child will be taking part in a 'College Cross-Country Run' during their **normal timetabled PE lessons** during the days of Monday 17th October to Friday 21st October.

Not only do the children gain points for their college in taking part but it helps us to identify pupils who will be invited to compete in the Redditch Schools District cross country after half term.

Date	Lesson	Classes
Monday 17 th October	2 and 3	7C 1,2,3 (x)
Tuesday 18 th October	2 and 3	8E1,2,3 (y)
Wednesday 19 th October	2 and 3	6E1,3,3 (y)
	4 and 5	5E 1,2,3 (x)
Thursday 20 th October	2 and 3	8C 1,2,3 (x)
	4 and 5	5C1,2,3 (x)
Friday 21 st October	2 and 3	7E1,2,3 (y)
	4 and 5	6C 1,2,3 (x)

We can't predict what the weather will be like next so we ask that your child bring the following to their next timetabled PE lesson:

A towel.

A carrier bag to put dirty shoes in.

Football boots to run in. (Optional but recommended)

Pupils can also wear alternative PE clothing if the weather is not great and the field is muddy, however, they can wear their PE kit if they choose to.

If your child suffers from asthma, please ensure they have their inhaler with them clearly labelled.

Every pupil is expected to take part but if your child is unwell and unable to take part, please provide us with a letter excusing them. However, they must still come with PE kit as they will take part in an officiating role down on the field.

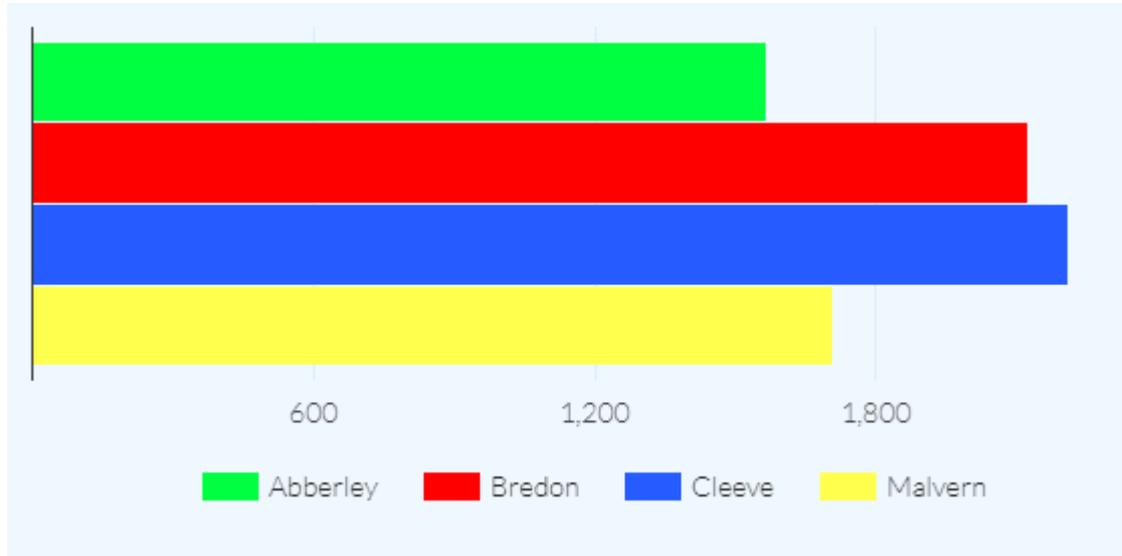
Faithfully

Miss K Reeves

Curriculum Leader of PE



epraise this week



Harvest

As Harvest is fast approaching, we as a school are collecting non-perishable food items and toiletries to be donated to local food banks.

There is an area in our foyer area for any donations. We are asking pupils to bring in the following:

- Abberley - tinned vegetables, tinned fish, tinned meat or tinned soups
- Bredon - men and women's toiletries such as deodorant, shampoo, shower gels, feminine hygiene products, toothpaste or toothbrushes
- Cleeve - packets of rice or pasta, tea or coffee
- Malvern - tinned fruit, tinned puddings or tinned custards

Please could any donations be brought into school by Wednesday 19th October.

Lost Property

We are accumulating a large number of items of **lost property** in our Reception area. We do endeavour to get the items back to the children, which is much easier when there is a name on the item. We can then notify the tutor so the pupil can come and collect the piece of uniform or equipment from Reception.

Unfortunately, if articles are not named we do not know who they belong to!

Please therefore ensure that you name in full all your child's belongings i.e. lunch box/bag, water bottle etc so that we can return the items to your child.



Water bottles with no name are put out next to the drop box near Reception and lunch boxes /bags are kept in Reception for a short period, where pupils can collect these unnamed items.

Top Readers for 12.09.2022 — 12.10.2022

Congratulations to:

Top Girl

Evie Morgan (Year 7 MABE) - who has read 1,176,646.

Top Boy

Stanley Sole (Year 6 ARCO) - who has read 590,268 words.

Well done - merits will be awarded to you both.

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



Knowing our curriculum

For information about the curriculum for each year group, please select:



[Year 5](#)

[Year 6](#)

[Year 7](#)

[Year 8](#)



For information about specific curriculum subjects, you will find the calendars here:

[Art and Technology](#) [Computing](#) [Drama](#) [English](#) [French](#) [Mathematics](#)

[Music](#) [Physical Education](#) [Science](#) [Spiritual & Social Education](#)

Additionally, for [Careers](#)



For the overall rationale for the way we have put the curriculum together, or for how the pastoral system operates, please select:

[Curriculum Rationale](#)

[Pastoral Strategy](#)



Walkwood

Church of England  Middle School

For information about our school:

www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk

Keeping children safe

The following information concerns how we continue to ensure that pupils are cared for within our school:

Early help: <https://www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk/Content/files/19c6-Early%20Help%20Offer.pdf>

E-safety: <https://www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk/E-Safety>

Anti-bullying: <https://www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk/Content/files/f2c9-Anti-bullying%20Policy.pdf>

Attendance: <https://www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk/Content/files/53d7-Attendance%202018.pdf>

Prevent: <https://www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk/Content/files/25a5-Prevent%20Policy%202019.pdf>

Safeguarding: <https://www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk/Safeguarding-and-Child-Protection>

<https://www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk/Content/files/a297-Safeguarding%20Policy%202019.pdf>

Relationships and Sex Education: <https://www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk/Content/files/9ca0-Relationships%20and%20Sex%20Education%20Policy%202019.pdf>

TRAVELLING BOOKS

COME TO THE BOOK FAIR

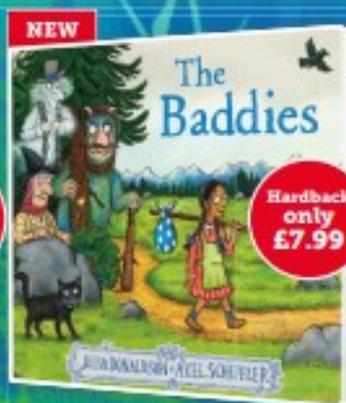
FIND HUNDREDS
OF THE
BEST NEW BOOKS
FROM JUST
£2.99!

FILL YOUR
SCHOOL WITH
FREE BOOKS
WHEN YOU BUY
FROM THE
BOOK FAIR*

LAST YEAR, YOUR SUPPORT HELPED TO DONATE OVER
£2.2M BOOKS TO SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE



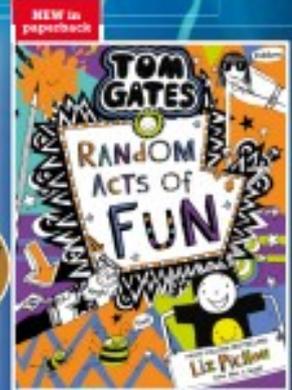
£14.99 **£8.99**



£12.99 **£7.99**



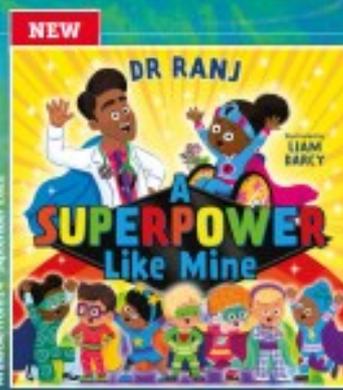
£6.99 **£3.99**



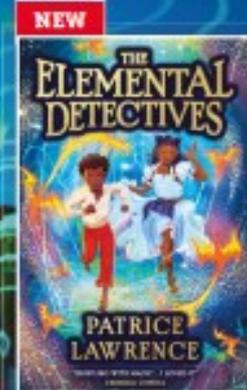
£7.99



£6.99



£6.99



£7.99

The Book Fair is coming

Monday 7th November - Friday 11th November 2022

In the Library

All children should have received details of payment options

Commission provides new resources for the Library

Scan the QR code
to pay online!





Clubs and Activities

Autumn Term 1



	Before School 7:45am – 8:45am	Lunchtime 12.15 – 1.00pm	After School 3:30pm – 4:45pm
Monday		Lunch Club, Room 20, duration of lunch, KCR/ CMI Lexia Club ITA Miss Walker	KS2 Boys and Girls multi sports club RDJ/ PMI Meet in changing rooms Sign up only
Tuesday		Lunch Club, Room 20, duration of lunch, KCR/ CMI	Year 8 netball club KRE Meet in changing rooms Sign up only
Wednesday		Lunch Club, Room 20, duration of lunch, KCR/ CMI Reading club, room 18, duration of lunch, JWa Lexia Club ITA Mrs Shanley	Year 7 netball club KRE Meet in changing rooms Sign up only Year 8 boys football team training Meet in changing rooms RMA Year 5-8 STEM Club. (Lab 1) 16 spaces available. Parental permission and sign up needed. FCI Year 7 boys football team training Meet in changing rooms LWO
Thursday		Lunch Club, Room 20, duration of lunch, KCR/ CMI	Year 5 boys football team training Meet in the changing rooms CHU Year 6 boys football team training Meet in the changing rooms PMI All girls Football club Meet in changing rooms RMA/ PMC/ RDJ Year 5-8 Art Club. Puppetry and Xmas Gonks. First come first serve basis. 12 spaces available. Parental permission and sign up needed. Starts 29 th September - 8th December MGR
Friday		Lunch Club, Room 20, duration of lunch, KCR/ PWE	Boys Rec Football Meet in changing rooms

Important notice – there will be **no** all girls football, year 6 boys football or year 5 boys football on Thursday 20th October due to year 5 tutor evening.



Looking ahead



	Date	Event
2 0 2 2 2 2 2 0 2 3	Thursday 20 October	Year 5 Parents Evening 4.00-7.00pm
	Monday 24 - Friday 28 October	Half Term
	Monday 14 November	Parents Maths KS2 Workshop 6.30-7.30pm
	Friday 16 December	End of Term
	Tuesday 3 January	Staff Development Day
	Wednesday 4 January	First day of the Spring Term
	Monday 9 January	Parents English KS2 Workshop 6.30-7.30pm
	Thursday 19 January	Y6, Y8 Parents Evening 4.00 -7.00pm
	Wednesday 25 January	Y6, Y8 Parents Evening 4.00 -7.00pm
	Monday 20– Friday 24 February	Half Term
	Friday 31 March	End of Term
	Monday 17 April	Staff Development Day
	Tuesday 18 April	First day of the Summer Term
	Monday 29 May - 2 June	Half Term
	Thursday 8 June	Y5, Y7 Parents Evening 4.00 - 7.00pm
	Wednesday 14 June	Y5, Y7 Parents Evening 4.00 - 7.00pm
	Friday 21 July	End of Term