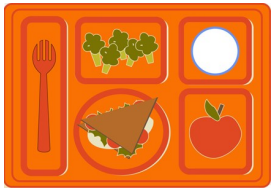


Dear Parents and Carers,

You would have seen your child's photograph on Monday (if not, the envelope may be at the bottom of the school bag!) as Tempest Photography came in to school. We started by getting the siblings together, and the individual pictures came later in the morning. Should you wish to order a photograph, there is an online facility which is indicated on the Tempest sheet. Otherwise, we are happy to collect envelopes and get them to the company, but can only do this until next Friday. Please contact Tempest direct with queries, as we are merely the facilitators.



Our Year 5 pupils are becoming increasingly confident about being around the school. They are certainly making the most of our catering facility at lunchtime, and the interest is certainly on the 'meal deals' (the mix-and-match of salad, baguettes and snacks such as rolls and paninis). We have been making more of this sort of sustenance this week, as the 'regulars' from the other year groups have kept up their appetites.

We have yet to complete a cycle of the two-week timetable, but there have been few problems as pupils get used to our routines again. Even though it has been the first full week back, our Year 8 pupils have had presentations from Trinity High School. St. Augustine's Catholic High School will be present next week. I encourage parents and carers to check the local press and the websites of the high schools to see when the open evenings are being held. A list of the high schools is included within the pages.



This year we have decided to increase our attendance target which is shown in the box below. I'm making you aware of this challenge as we hope you will support us by encouraging your pupils to be in school.

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!

Philippians 4:4

Rev. C. Leach, *Principal*

### A prayer for New Beginnings

Good morning my friend,  
It's a new day.  
I hope things get better,  
For this I now pray.  
May all of your problems  
Be out of their way  
On this bright morning  
That starts this new day.  
Amen.

### This week's theme was: New Beginnings

Listen to me, my children!  
Be wise and have enough sense  
to follow the right path

Psalm 23: 19

**Whole School Attendance**  
97.08%

**Whole School Target**  
95.6%

**04.09.19—06.09.19**

**Year 5 — 99.12%**  
**Year 6 — 95.01%**  
**Year 7 — 96.06%**  
**Year 8 — 98.12%**



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

<b>The weekend</b>	Staff at the Alexandra Hospital	<b>Monday</b>	Our colleagues at the Education Department of the Diocese of Worcester
<b>Tuesday</b>	Children who are trying new activities	<b>Wednesday</b>	Pupils and staff at The Vaynor First School
<b>Thursday</b>	The agencies that are serving the people affected by the hurricane in the Bahamas	<b>Friday</b>	All people involved in sport this weekend, for enjoyment and safety.



## High Schools in Redditch

Saint Augustine's Catholic High School <http://www.st-augustines.worcs.sch.uk/Home/>

Trinity High School <http://www.trinity.worcs.sch.uk/>

RSA Academy Arrow Vale <http://www.arrowvaleacademy.co.uk/>

Tudor Grange Academy Redditch <https://www.redditch.tgacademy.org.uk/>

Ridgeway Academy <https://ridgeway.academy/>



## Parent Governor

The Governing Body has a vacancy for parents of current Walkwood pupils to serve as school Governors.

The Full Board meets once a term, and each Governor also serves on one of the three sub-committees which also meet once in each term.

As Walkwood is an academy school, there are legal duties to ensure its smooth running and financial stability, along with supporting and holding to account the school's leaders. Governors put aside the needs of their own child and look to support the school in delivering to all pupils.

For an initial conversation, please contact the PA's Office at school, or email [office@walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:office@walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk).



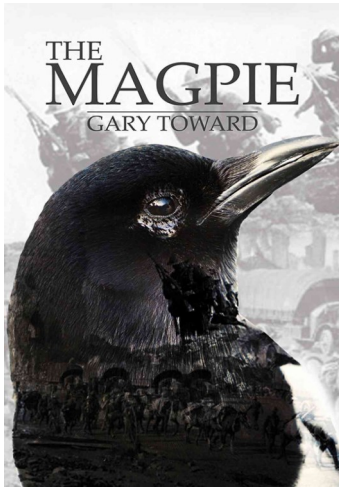
## Tudor Grange Academy Redditch

### Consultation on proposed changes and development plans

1. Age range change: revert to High School status, maintaining Pupil Admission Number (PAN) of 180 students in Years 9,10,11 and 220 in the Sixth Form.
2. Expansion of the current Mainstream Autism Base to include new specialist facilities in a dedicated building.
3. Sports Centre: Refurbishment of the roof and facilities allowing for the re-opening of the Swimming Pool for community use, beginning a programme of investment in the improvement of the TGAR site.

Full details and a feedback form are available at: <https://www.redditch.tgacademy.org.uk/media/consultation/>

## Author visit for year 7 & 8



Next Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September we have the pleasure of welcoming the author, Gary Toward, to Walkwood. He has written a historical crime novel, *The Magpie*.

'The story is set in December 1913 and Detective Constable Frank Bolam has a murder to solve. The victim is found drowned in the River Wear with a vicious knife wound to his lower back. There are no witnesses and no clues.'

Pupils will have the opportunity to purchase this book for £5 at a special book signing which will take place at lunchtime in the library.

Gary will be delivering an assembly to the whole of KS3. He aims to inspire and motivate young people to write by sharing stories about his life as a teacher, his interests and inspiration for writing. We hope that pupils will be enthused by him and apply some of his skills and strategies to their own writing.

30 lucky students will have the opportunity to undertake a writing workshop with him during the afternoon. Look out for more information regarding our follow up school competition.

Remember: If students wish to purchase this book for just £5, they should bring cash on the day.

Mrs Hughes



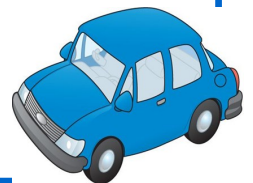
## P Parking Please

Morton Stanley Park's car park is the perfect place to **'park and stride'**. The car park has dedicated walkways including underpasses and pedestrian crossings that segregate walkers and traffic.

The use of the pedestrian crossing at the front gate is supported by Rev Leach on most school days, so allowing pupils passing across Feckenham Road and access onto the pathway to Morton Stanley Park.

We ask drivers to 'stop and think' about whether you are parking in a safe place. If you do not, you could be endangering a child. The same is true of stopping in the middle of the road to let your child jump out.

Regrettably, residents in roads surrounding the schools are having their drives blocked. This applies particularly to the upper section of Feckenham Road, along Tennyson Road and within Scott Road. Such action can be classified as obstruction of the highway and action may be taken by any Civic Enforcement Officer.





# Clubs and Activities

## Autumn term part 1, 2019



	Before School	Lunchtime	After School
<b>Monday</b>	Homework Club Library 8.00 am - 8.45am  Orchestra Music Room 8.45 - 9.30am (CGR)	KS3 Art Club starting 18th September (ECO)  Choir (all year groups) 12.50 - 1.20 pm Music Room (CGR)	Multi Skills KS2 Club (PMC) 3.30 - 4.45 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Homework Club Library 8.00 am - 8.45am	Nearly Jazzy Band (invitation only) Music Room 12.50- 1.20 pm (CGR)	Homework Club DT Hub 3.30 – 4.30pm  All years Football Team training (if selected) 3.30 - 4.45 pm  Year 7 and Year 8 Girls Netball training (team only) 3.30 - 4.45 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Homework Club Library 8.00 am - 8.45am	Colouring Club Room 15 (RSH)  Silent Reading Club Rm 19 (LBA)	Homework Club DT Hub 3.30 – 4.30pm  KS2 Science Club (Lab 2) 3.30 - 4.30 pm (JHd)  Cooking Club (Groups TBC) 3.30 – 4.45pm (DSL)  Cheerleading squad 3.30 - 4.45 pm LMO/KRE
<b>Thursday</b>	Homework Club Library 8.00 am - 8.45am	Choir (all year groups) Music Room 12.50 - 1.20pm (CGR)	Homework Club DT Hub 3.30 – 4.30pm  Year 7 and 8 Rugby (PJE) 3.30 - 4.45 pm  All years Girls Football 3.30 - 4.45 pm RMA/PCO/LWO
<b>Friday</b>	Homework Club Library 8.00 am - 8.45am		All years Rec football and rec netball for all those who didn't make the team. 3.30—4.45 pm

# Word of the Week

This week's Word of the Week:

## ***absquatulate***

What word class is this word? Could it belong to more than one word class?

How many syllables does it have?

Write the dictionary definition(s) of this word, using your own words.

Are there any synonyms for the word?

Are there any antonyms for the word?

Write four sentences, each containing the word.

Challenge: 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 joyous:

*Statement: Xavier is feeling joyous this morning.*

*Question: Does that music sound joyous to you?*

*Command: Make yourself look a little more joyous.*

*Exclamation: What a joyous evening!*

Show your tutor your notes on Word of the Week and receive a merit for answering the questions above!



## Top Readers for 2019 — 2019

Congratulations to:

Top Girl

(Year 8 CSBK) - who has read an incredible words

Top Boy

(Year 6 CMBI) - who has read a fantastic words

Well done - 3 merits will be awarded to you both.

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

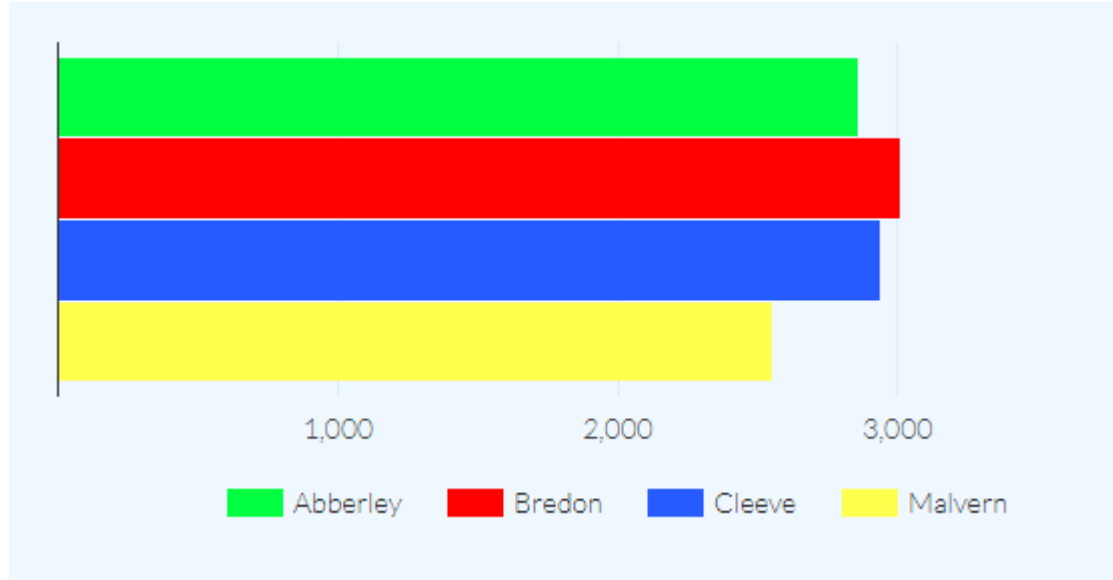




# Epraise Update



## Points This Week: By College



## Top Ten Points Scorers

1. Seth Harrison (CMBI) (39)
1. Emilia Tyler (BRCO) (39)
3. Olivia Rea (BRCO) (38)
4. Tom Johnson (CSBK) (37)
5. Grace Keats (BRCO) (36)
6. Daniel Basiak (CMBI) (35)
6. Imogen Timms (BRCO) (35)
6. Lucie Hands (BRCO) (35)
9. Jack Burns (ALBA) (31)
10. Charlie Alder-Hill (AECO) (29)



# Looking ahead



	Date	Event
2 0 1 9	Friday 18th October	Primrose Proms Concert 7.30 pm
	Thursday 24 October	Y5 Parents' Evening 4.00—7.00 pm
	Friday 25 October	Staff Development Day
	Monday 28 October to Friday 1 November	<b>Half Term</b>
	Wednesday 6 November	Y6 SATs information evening and KS3 Curriculum parents information evening 6.30—7.30 pm
	Wednesday 13 November	Ski trip parent information evening 6.30—7.30 pm
	Monday 25 November	Parents' Maths KS2 Workshop 6.30—7.30 pm
	Friday 20 December	<b>End of Term</b>
	Monday 6 January	<b>Staff Development Day</b>
	Tuesday 7 January	First day of the Spring Term
	Monday 13 January	Parents' English KS2 Workshop 6.30—7.30 pm
	Thursday 30 January	Y6, Y8 Parents' Evening 4.00—7.00 pm
	Wednesday 5 February	Y6, Y8 Parents' Evening 4.00—7.00 pm
	Monday 17 to Friday 21 February	<b>Half Term</b>
	Wednesday 18 March	Y6 Yorkshire information evening 6.30 pm
2 0 2 0	Friday 3 April	<b>End of Term</b>
	Monday 20 April	First day of the Summer Term
	Wednesday 6 May	Y5 Brecon Beacons information evening 6.30 pm
	Friday 8 May	May Day bank holiday
	Monday 25 to Friday 29 May	<b>Half Term</b>
	Thursday 4 June	Y5, Y7 Parents' Evening 4.00—7.00 pm
	Wednesday 10 June	Y5, Y7 Parents' Evening 4.00—7.00 pm
	Friday 17 July	<b>End of Term</b>