

Dear Parents and Carers,



As I have shared over recent weeks, the government has stated that they were going to be driven by data not dates when it came to key points on England's Covid-19 roadmap. Therefore, it came as little surprise that there has been a delay in the implementation of stage 4, so now July 19th has been given, although there could be an earlier easing if the data is positive. The message we have received from the Department for Education includes: "At a time when further easing of restrictions has been paused, the current system of controls should continue to be implemented in education and childcare settings".

We have interpreted this very strictly - **No change**. We continue with our use of sanitiser at key points of the day, and the ritual of cleaning desks, along with enhanced cleaning around the school and the full range of our other measures that apply an abundance of care and caution.



I have learned the secret to being content in any and every circumstance I can endure all these things through the power of the one who gives me strength .
Phillippians 4: 12-13



When we reach September and the new school year, we do hope we can start in a 'more normal' fashion. This would mean no staggered start and end times. However, at this point we shall await appropriate guidance from the Department for Education and, like in the recent past, will inform you as we can. This term, we have been very understanding about individual circumstances concerning uniform. From September, we shall return to a firm adherence to our uniform policy, including appropriate trousers.

Finally, it has been good to restart some of our extra-curricular provision of clubs and other activities. These are not just in sport but also within other subjects too. I have been pleased that colleagues from Tudor Grange Academy have been coming in to run some events, and thank them for their commitment. They have certainly enjoyed being with our pupils.

Rev. C. Leach, Principal

A prayer for the Holy Spirit within us

Dear God,

We abound in hope by the power of Your Holy Spirit. Fill us with all joy and peace as we believe in You. Holy Spirit, empower our lives to produce Your fruit of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Amen

This week's theme was:
Holy Spirit

The Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and make you remember all that I have told you.

John 14:26

Whole School Attendance

94.78%

Whole School Target

95.6%

Congratulations to the following tutor groups 99%+ for the week commencing 07.06.21:

5C1, 5C2, 5C3

6E3



For the week ahead



The Fruit of Faith is:	Honour	Be devoted to one another with mutual love, showing eagerness in honouring one another. <i>Romans 12:10</i>
The assembly theme:	St Francis of Assisi	I will praise you with an upright heart as I learn your righteous laws. <i>Psalm 119:7</i>

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

The weekend	for our Queen	Monday	safety on the roads of our town
Tuesday	those affected by flooding or other adverse weather	Wednesday	our school's Governors.
Thursday	Bishop John of Worcester	Friday	integrity of people in public office

Picture of the Week



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>



[Check if you or your child has coronavirus symptoms](#)

[Track and trace](#)

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

Pupil Leadership Team 2021-2022



This was launched this week to all current Year 7 pupils for anyone who wishes to be a part of this team ready for the start of the new academic year in September. The aim of the 'PLT' is to empower pupils within our school community to become ambassadors for the school, taking on leadership roles and to be involved in the continuing development of the school.

Within the Year 7 ICT lessons, pupils will look at skills and qualities within different careers and then have the opportunity to apply for various roles within our pupil leadership team which include Head Boy and Head Girl, College Captains and Vice Captains, Prefects and Sports Council.

From this week of the **14th June**, pupils in year 7 can apply during their ICT lesson via a link provided for Microsoft Forms. They must complete separate forms for each role they wish to apply for and can apply for more than one. If pupils are away for the lesson, or need more time to apply, the links are below. Please make sure pupils identify their full name, college and tutor group and answer the questions with as much detail as they can.

Closing date is Monday, 21st June at 9am.

If you need any more information please see the school website for a list of job descriptions or pupils can come and see Miss Reeves.

Head Boy/Girl

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=DLKbF_K2skm4Vr4y1pECGTRo_y6Tg31BkHdcOGMuP4pUQIFXRjBVVVJMUFZSRoINUDZXVEhFTDNVSY4u

College Leader

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=DLKbF_K2skm4Vr4y1pECGTRo_y6Tg31BkHdcOGMuP4pUMjhCS05BWUxJUIVXSkJQNFFLNohZMjVUQy4u

Sports Council

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=DLKbF_K2skm4Vr4y1pECGTRo_y6Tg31BkHdcOGMuP4pUNU02MotYMzIQNEdQWk5COUxRTzJEV4xNi4u

Prefect

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=DLKbF_K2skm4Vr4y1pECGTRo_y6Tg31BkHdcOGMuP4pUMDNRMTRRRIU5TU1RTktUWFBSODJIUUdQSS4u

Word of the Week

This week's Word of the Week:

befuddled

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 16th May 2021 - 16th June 2021

Congratulations to:

Top Girl

Molly Pym McGran (7E2) - who has read 740,237 words

Top Boy

Harley Wilson (7E3) - who has read 927,318 words

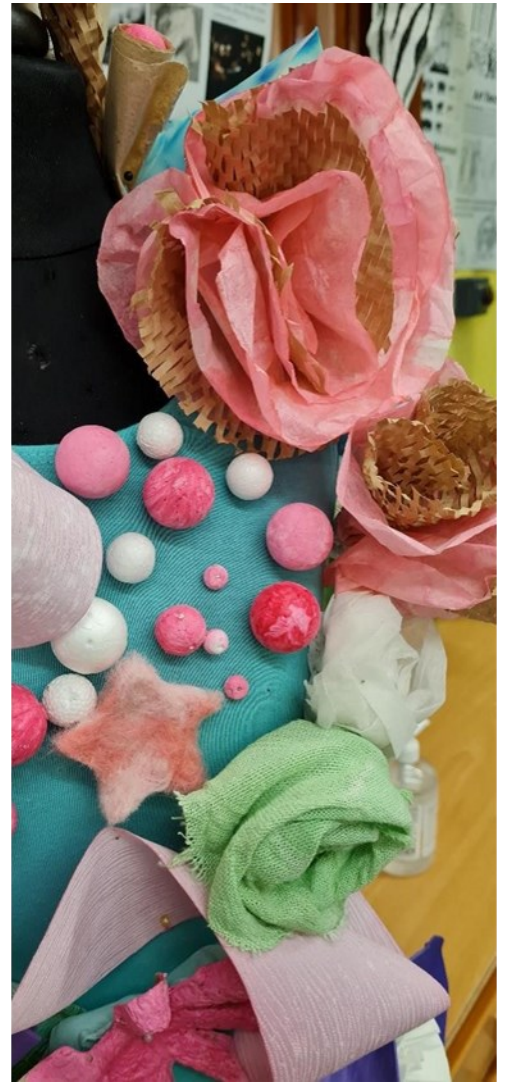
Well done - 3 merits will be awarded to you both.

Keep reading Walkwood, next week it could be YOU



Year 7 Costume Club

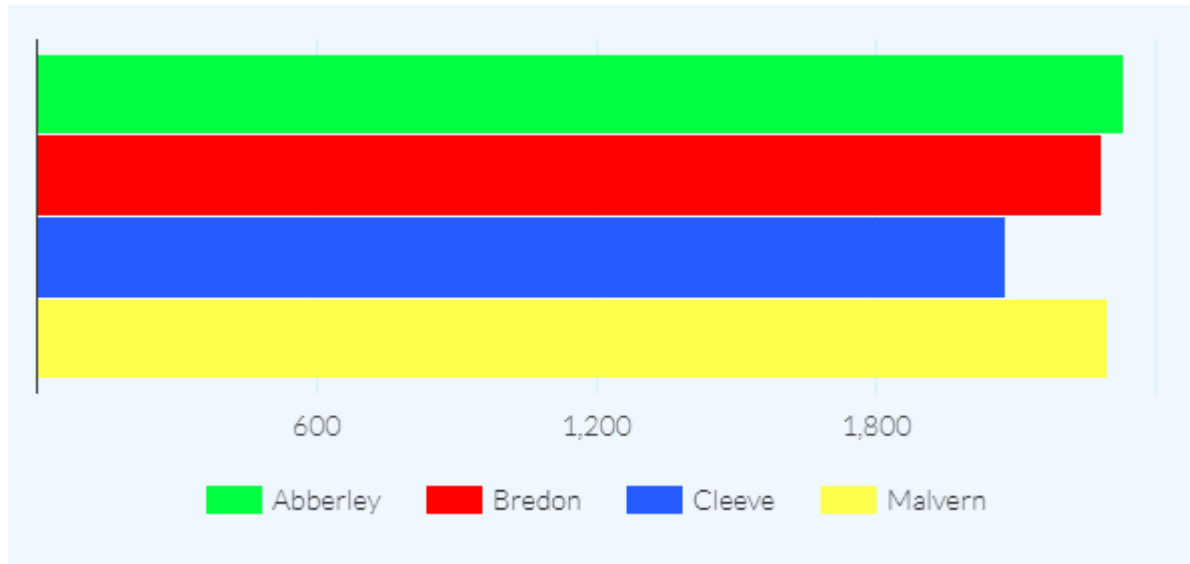
This costume was designed for a female dancer/actor/performer. The Year 7 girls chose a feminine aquatic colour theme and used a wide variety of 3D materials that they could manipulate over the weeks to help create their costume. The girls really thought about their costume's composition and how one area of shapes and colours would flow to the next, thinking about balance of design, structures and proportions of all the detail. The girls used coffee filters dipped in drawing ink, tonal painted polystyrene balls, foam flower swirls, dip dye and tie dye techniques to create a seaweed skirt effect, dried pva and ink and paper cone polyps to create a collar, tonal painted toilet roll octopus tentacle circles and needle felt star fish. A massive well done girls!





Epraise Update

Points This Week: By College





Looking ahead



	Date	Event
2021	Wednesday 21 July	End of Term
	Thursday 2 September	Staff Development Day
	Friday 3 September	Staff Development Day
	Monday 6 September	First day of the Autumn Term
	Friday 22 October	Staff Development Day
	Monday 25 to Friday 29 October	Half Term
	Friday 17 December	End of Term
2022	Tuesday 4 January	Staff Development Day
	Wednesday 5 January	First day of the Spring Term
	Monday 21 to Friday 25 February	Half Term
	Friday 8 April	End of Term
	Monday 25 April	Staff Development Day
	Tuesday 26 April	First day of the Summer Term
	Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June	Half Term
	Friday 22 July	End of Term