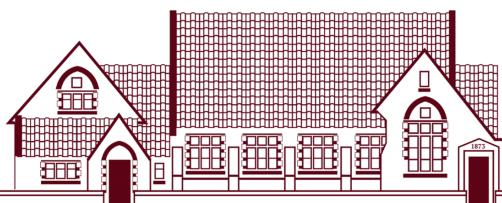


Newsletter



Week Beginning

02/02/2026

Dates for your diary

Walsall School Term dates

Half term holiday:

Monday 16 February 2026 to Friday 20 February 2026

Class Assemblies

<u>11th Feb</u>	<u>4th Mar</u>	<u>11 Mar</u>	<u>18th Mar</u>	<u>25th Mar</u>	<u>22nd Apr</u>
Year 2	Year 6	Year 3	Year 1	Year 4	Year 2

Upcoming Events

11/02/2026 - Safer Internet Parents Workshop 9am 13/02/2026 - Express Yourself Non- Uniform Day	06/03/2026 - World Book Day 19/03/2026 - Comic Relief - Non Uniform Donation 20/03/2026 - World Poetry Day - Pep The Poet! 25/04/2026 - Easter Bonnet Parade (details to follow)
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Attendance

It is important that your child attends school everyday that the school is open unless they are unwell or for unforeseen circumstances. Taking children out of schools for holidays will not be authorised and therefore could result in a fine. Please remember that taking a child out of school can have an impact on their learning for the time that they are off and they can miss key concepts to learning. Not only can it impact academically but it can also have an effect on their social skills and confidence too.

Reception	98.9	Academic Year Attendance Ladder
Year One	97.2	
Year Two	97.6	
Year Three	98.1	
Year Four	96.3	
Year Five	97.3	
Year Six	97	

Well Done Reception !!!

PE Champions



Each week, one pupil from each class will get to bring home their class PE Champion trophy!
This will be a pupil who has shown resilience, dedication and hard work during their PE sessions. Can we ask that the trophy is returned the following week, ready to be awarded to the next pupil.



<u>Nursery</u>	Peighton for her fantastic dance moves during our active blasts Well done!
<u>Reception</u>	Leveah - for her excellent balancing skills in our yoga lesson. Well done.
<u>Year 1</u>	Yasmin - for demonstrating her excellent sprinting skills!
<u>Year 2</u>	Well Done Year 2!
<u>Year 3</u>	Well Done Year 3!
<u>Year 4</u>	Teddy- For his outstanding work in swimming!!
<u>Year 5</u>	Christian - for great teamwork and communication. It led to a great performance from everyone.
<u>Year 6</u>	Lily - for her excellent leadership during games

After School Dance - Premier Dance Company

We are now well settled into our after-school dance club with Premier Dance Company, and the children continue to do exceptionally well. This week's and last week's Stars of the Week have shown great commitment to the club and have successfully remembered all of the choreography taught so far, even the beginning of the new routine they started this week. Well done!

STAR OF THE WEEK



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Y5 Shrewsbury Prison Visit

On Friday 30th January, Y5 children visited Shrewsbury Prison as part of our Crime and Punishment topic. We explored the building and looked at how prison conditions have changed over the years. Children really enjoyed the time that they spent in the cells and reflected on what it was like to be a prisoner in the Victorian time period. Year 5 were fantastic ambassadors for our school and we had an amazing day!



Receptions Parent Workshop

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend the Reception writing workshop. We hope it gave you a helpful insight into how we teach writing at school and the fantastic progress the children have made. The children absolutely loved working alongside you and were so proud to share their learning. Thank you for your continued support.



Express Yourself Day

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH *Awareness*

To celebrate Children's Mental Health Week, we are going to be having an **'Express Yourself' non-uniform day on Friday 13th February**. Children can come in their own clothes, with wacky hair, makeup, anything that they feel truly expresses themselves.

Every child deserves emotional support and care.

Early support leads to healthier futures.

Talking openly helps reduce mental health stigma.

Safe spaces help children feel heard and valued.



WOLVERHAMPTON PARENTS AND CARERS EVENT

Calling all parents, carers and families!

Join us for a fun day of activities, networking and insightful discussions

There will be a range of activities to take part in, including **rock-climbing, face-painting**, using the **music room** and **dance studio**, and **arts and crafts**. Have a bite at one of the delicious **food stalls** and hear from our **keynote speakers!**

The day will provide an opportunity to **amplify voices of parents and carers** impacted by **serious youth violence**.

You will be able to engage with partners and organisations to explore how **support can be improved**.



Tuesday 18th Feb 2026



10am - 3pm



The Way Youth Zone

School St, Wolverhampton, WV3 0NR

For more information, please email:
vrp@westmidlands.police.uk



FREE activities for families with young children [0-5] January–March 2026 Activity Timetable

We're bringing you a fantastic programme of sessions across Walsall, along with resources you can use at home to support your child's learning and development.

Inside, you'll find lots of FREE groups, activities, and workshops designed to help your child learn, grow, and have fun. There's something for everyone. Some sessions require booking, while others are drop-in friendly.

Click here to view our [Activity Timetable](#) Or scan QR Code for PDF

*Let's make this season full of connection, creativity,
and community – we can't wait to welcome you!*

Stay up to date by following us on Facebook:
[Walsall Families in the Know](#)
and feel free to share this with friends who'd love to join.



Nature Explorer Challenge: 15 Things To Do in Walsall

Over the winter break, a fantastic new campaign has been developed in collaboration with Public Health and Walsall Council and all schools are invited to take part in this wonderful initiative.

The campaign is called "Nature Explorer Challenge: 15 Things To Do in Walsall". In the challenge, children and their families are encouraged to explore and complete the activities listed in the leaflet. As children tick off each activity, they'll be building healthy habits, developing confidence, and engaging more closely with their community and, as an added bonus, spending time outdoors helps children develop curiosity, confidence, and a love of nature.

As if that wasn't a good enough reason, once they have completed the leaflet, they should return it to your school by 30th June 2026 for a chance to be entered into a prize draw. Each school will select one winner from Key Stage 1 (KS1) and one winner from Key Stage 2 (KS2) from the submissions that have completed the majority of the '15 Things To Do', and winners will be given a goodie bag - plus their names will be sent to us so they can be entered into the grand prize draw.

SCAN HERE TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE CHALLENGE AND THE A-STARS PROGRAMME:



Walsall Holiday Activities & Food Programme



**HAF
Easter
2026**

What's on offer this Easter?
This Easter we have lots of exciting & free activities for children and young people aged 5-16 yrs on income based free school meals. The portal will be live for you to get booked on **23/02/26**.

Free activities:

- Horse riding
- Arts & Crafts
- Cooking
- Pantomimes
- Football
- Sports
- Swimming
- & much more!

FREE Healthy Meal

Sign up now!

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How to register and book for the 2026 programme?

You will need a code to register if you have not received a code, by post. Please contact us to see if you qualify for the programme via email wr4c@walsall.gov.uk.

To register your child, use any of the following options:

- Scan the QR CODE below
- Visit our website www.walsall.gov.uk/children-and-young-people/holiday-activities-programme-haf
- Call us on 01922 653899
- Email us your enquiry on wr4c@walsall.gov.uk

Once you have registered you will be able to book onto activities.

To find out more visit our website or sign up to our newsletter:

www.walsall.gov.uk/children-and-young-people/holiday-activities-programme-haf

Walsall Council | Walsall Holiday Activities & Food Programme | Department for Education



Internet Safety Workshop

We are excited to invite **all parents and carers** to an upcoming **Internet Safety Workshop** designed to help you support your child in today's online world.

The internet can be an amazing place for learning and connection—but it also comes with challenges. This session will offer **practical advice**, **up-to-date guidance**, and **simple strategies** to help keep children safe online at home.

Whether your child is just starting to go online or is already confident with devices and apps, this workshop will be **useful, informative, and reassuring** for everyone.



NSPCC Number Day

On Friday, we celebrated the NSPCC's Number Day by doing lots of number-based activities.

Year Six and Year Four had a gruelling 30 minute battle on Times Tables Rock Stars with Year Six just about ending up on top. Well done to both classes! Nursery worked with Numberblocks (a great TV show for early years maths) and Y1 made number crowns and number people. Great work everyone!



Year 6

Leamore Primary School

3,773



Year 4

Leamore Primary School

3,210



Helping Lunchtimes and Reducing Food Waste at Leamore Primary

At Leamore Primary School, we are committed to creating happy, healthy lunchtimes for our children while also caring for the environment. Over recent weeks, we have been taking positive steps to support pupils at lunchtime and reduce food waste across the school.

We are working closely with the Walsall Catering Team, sharing feedback from pupils and staff to help continually improve school dinners. This open communication supports menu development and helps ensure meals are enjoyable, nutritious and suited to the needs of our children.



One of the key actions we have introduced is ordering school meals in advance. This allows the kitchen team to prepare the right amount of food each day, helping to reduce unnecessary food waste while still making sure every child is well catered for.

A really important part of this work is the support of parents and carers. We kindly ask families to talk with their children about their dinner choices, making sure they are happy with the decisions being made for them. When children feel involved and confident about what they are having for lunch, they are more likely to enjoy their meal — and this helps to reduce food waste.

Leamore Primary is also being supported by Food for Life, who are working with us to reduce food waste and improve the school dining experience. This support helps us make practical changes, from portion sizes to food education, so children feel confident making positive food choices.

By working together — pupils, staff, families, the Walsall Catering Team and Food for Life — we are:

- reducing food waste
- supporting children's wellbeing at lunchtime
- caring for our environment

Thank you for your continued support as we continue to make positive changes at Leamore Primary.





WEST MILLANDS POLICE GUIDANCE: E-SCOTERS



Privately owned e-scooters are **illegal to use on public roads, pavements, parks, cycle lanes, and any other public spaces**. They are legally classified as *motor vehicles* under the Road Traffic Act 1988, meaning they require a driving licence and insurance—neither of which is available for privately owned e-scooters. As a result, **children riding private e-scooters in public are doing so unlawfully**, and the vehicles can be seized under Section 165 of the Act.



The only lawful use of e-scooters in public places is through **approved rental trial schemes**, which require riders to be at least 18 and hold a valid driving licence—making them **inappropriate and inaccessible for school-aged children**.



Safety Concerns

Police and safety services report a growing number of collisions involving e-scooters, with some resulting in serious injury. West Midlands Police highlight that if a rider causes harm to others, incidents are investigated in the same way as collisions involving cars or motorcycles.



In addition, West Midlands Fire Service and national road safety bodies emphasise the following risks:



- Lack of protective equipment (many children ride without helmets or pads)
- Use on unsuitable surfaces and in busy pedestrian areas
- Rising reports of children riding without insurance and in unsafe conditions, contributing to increased enforcement concerns nationally



SAFETY CONCERNS

