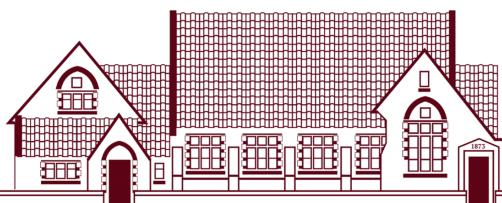


Newsletter



Week Beginning

19/01/2026

Dates for your diary

Walsall School Term dates

Half term holiday:

Monday 16 February 2026 to Friday 20 February 2026

Class Assemblies

<u>21st Jan</u> <u>22nd Jan</u>	<u>28th Jan</u>	<u>4th Feb</u>	<u>11th Feb</u>	<u>4th Mar</u>	<u>11 Mar</u>
Year 4	Year 1	Year 5	Year 2	Year 6	Year 3

Upcoming Events

21/01/2026 - School Photographs
01/02/2026 - 09/02/2026 National Storytelling
01/02/2026 - 09/02/2026 - Children's Mental Health

07/02/2026 - Number Day - NSPCC
12/02/2026 - Safer Internet Day

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	94.2	Academic Year Attendance Ladder
Year One	90.3	
Year Two	98.3	
Year Three	98.1	
Year Four	93.1	
Year Five	98	
Year Six	96.7	

Well Done Y2 - A trip to the Education Garden for you in Year with milkshakes.

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.

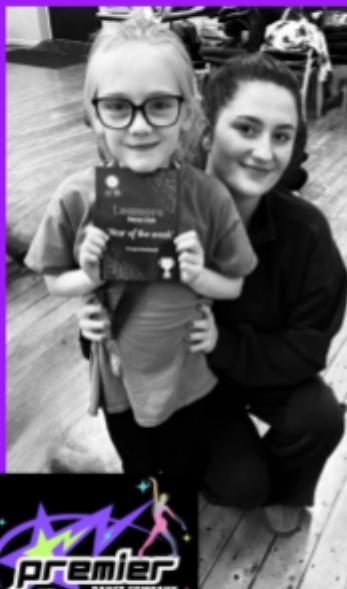


<u>Nursery</u>	
<u>Reception</u>	Darcie - for great pirate skills. Great balancing to walk the plank
<u>Year 1</u>	All Y1 students for working so hard on their sprinting skills!
<u>Year 2</u>	No PE - school photographs
<u>Year 3</u>	No PE - school photographs
<u>Year 4</u>	Divine for great perseverance in the pool to improve her swimming.
<u>Year 5</u>	Jak for great teamwork and technique in games.
<u>Year 6</u>	Cas for great work on how to win games and score points in a completely new game.

After School Dance - Premier Dance Company

We are now in the third week of our after-school dance club with Premier Dance Company, and the children continue to do exceptionally well. The first part of their routine has now been completed, and it has been wonderful to see the children growing in confidence each week. This week's Star of the Week has shown great commitment to the club and has successfully remembered all of the choreography taught so far. Well done!

STAR OF THE WEEK



Year 4 - Vikings

On Friday 16th January, Year 4 had the opportunity to work alongside experts to expand their awareness of life as a Viking. The children were able to handle artefacts safely and experience Viking games, Viking clothing and explore the runes they used to communicate.



Year 1's mock Wedding

This week at St John's Methodist Church, our Year 1 children took part in a mock wedding, building on all their learning in RE about Christian weddings from last half term. It was wonderful to see them put their knowledge into practice as they confidently acted out a range of roles with great enthusiasm and care.

They listened beautifully and played their parts so well throughout the ceremony.

I am incredibly proud of them!

A big thank you to all the parents who came along to watch and to be guests at our mock wedding, and for the fantastic effort you put into the children's outfits. They all looked absolutely fantastic!

We hope you enjoyed sharing this special learning experience with us.



Express Yourself Day



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:**

