Love God, love others *Let your light shine*

Blue Print

Believing.. Celebrating.. Succeeding.

EXECUTIVE HEAD: MR A ORLIK
DEPUTY EXECUTIVE HEADS: MRS L ADLINGTON AND MR. D. MATTHEWS
ASSISTANT HEADS: MR. S. BRANIGAN (ACTING) & MISS. H. JOHNSTON

FRIDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 2026
VOLUME 54 ISSUE 11

CIVIC SERVICE

The Junior Choir will be performing at the Mayor's Civic Service on Sunday 6th December 10.45am St. Matthew's Church.

Infant School Council and Worship Leaders are also attending. During the service, the Blue Coat children will go to the St. Matthew's Centre for a Christmas party. At the end of the service, the Infant School Council and Worship Leaders and the Junior Choir members will receive a 'Bun and Shilling' from the Mayor of Walsall.

READING WORKSHOP FOR RECEPTION PARENTS/CARERS – *THIS MONDAY*

Is your child in Reception?

Come to our special workshop all about how we teach the Blue Coat children to read. Hear about the RWI reading scheme we use and get information about the many ways you can support your child with their reading at home.

Monday 23rd November 9am.



PACT WORKSHOPS

AUTUMN TERM PACT WORKSHOPS ALL STARTING 9AM

Year Group	Date	Focus
Year 5	Tues 24th Nov	Reading
Year 6	Tues 1st Dec	Reading

PACT
Parents and Children Together

PHOTOGRAPHER IN PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP TUESDAY 24th NOVEMBER – *NEXT WEEK!*

Any pre-school children can attend our Parent and Toddler group on Tuesday 24th November with a parent or carer and have their photograph taken by the photographer.

The Parent and Toddler Christmas party will take place on the same day as this will be the last session this term. The group will return in January.

Everybody welcome!





iMATTER WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS

All the Year 5 children will be participating in iMatter workshops in a couple of weeks. There is a meeting for Year 5 parents/carers on Wednesday 25th November at 9am. This will be an opportunity to hear about the activities and learning the children will be doing in the sessions.

iMatter Walsall CIC is a Community Interest Company in Walsall providing early intervention, crime awareness, and community wellbeing support for young people and families.

HAF CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Walsall Council are offering free HAF (Holiday Activities and Food) provision during the Christmas holidays for children who receive targeted free school meals. The portal is open for booking:

https://go.walsall.gov.uk/children-and-young-people/holiday-activities-programme-haf

GET READY TO BOOK PTA CHRISTMAS EVENTS FOR YOUR CHILD WITH THE ARBOR APP

Tickets for the **Junior School Christmas Discos** and **Father Christmas** (Infants only) will be available to book from Monday at 10am. **Tickets for these events will need to be booked through the Arbor App so make sure that you have it installed on your phone ready to use.**



Please ask at the office if you need help.

Arbor



JUNIOR MUSIC CONCERTS

Don't miss our wonderful end of term music concerts.

Wednesday 2nd December – 2pm

Year 5 and 6 Strings, Brass and Woodwind

Wednesday 9th December – 2pm

Year 5 and 6 Steel Pans and Junior Choir



JUNIOR CHOIR UPCOMING CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

Thursday 26th November 7pm

Walsall Arena – Walsall Schools' Christmas Concert

Travelling Through Christmas

Saturday 5th December 6pm

United Reform Church, 2 Gillity Avenue, Walsall WS5 3PH

Joint concert with Walsall Choral Society



NURSERY AND YEAR 2 PARENT/CARERS NEED TO SUBMIT SCHOOL PREFERENCES FOR RECEPTION AND JUNIOR SCHOOL PLACES – *MEETINGS FOR PARENTS/CARERS NEXT WEEK*

*Nursery and Year 2 parents/carers are invited to attend meetings at the Infant School **next week** on Tuesday 24th November (see times below). At the meetings information will be shared about how the admissions process works.*

If your child is in Nursery, you need to submit your preferences for a Reception School place by 15th January. Even if your child is in our Nursery, you must submit your school preferences to Walsall Council by 15th January to secure a place in Blue Coat Infant School for your child.

If your child is in Year 2, you need to submit your preferences for a Junior School place by 15th January. Even if your child is in our Infant School, you must submit your school preferences to Walsall Council by 15th January to secure a place in Blue Coat Junior School for your child.

*We will be holding meetings for Nursery and Year 2 Parents/Carers on **Tuesday 24th November** to explain the school admissions system at these times:*

Morning Nursery: 8.45am

Afternoon Nursery and Year 2: 2.30pm

INTER-SCHOOL DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

A Year 3 and 4 Dodgeball team will compete against other schools in a tournament at Walsall College on Wednesday 2nd December.



HELP YOUR CHILD TO BE AN ATTENDANCE HERO



Morning Arrival Times:

Infants: 8.40 to 8.50am **Juniors:** 8.45 to 8.55am

It is really important that your child arrives on time every day. If they are late, they are missing out on their learning time and this can affect their progress as they move through the school.

Help your child to be an Attendance Hero –

Here Everyday Ready On time

RACKETS CUBED

Thursday sessions remaining this term:

26th November,

3rd and 10th December

Rackets Cubed



