



The Webheath Way



We are proud to be the very best that we can be.
Learning, Creating and Growing Together

NEWSLETTER

Our Value for this half term is



Friday 24th January 2025

Welcome

Another busy week in school has seen Year 5 exploring the wonderdome planetarium, rock investigators in Year 3, toy artefact historians in Year 1 and the introduction of our science ambassadors across the school! I have been privileged to show lots of special visitors around school this week; we received so many compliments about our school values and how well everyone in school demonstrates these. Well done to all of the children for their super manners! I have also seen lots of bird-watching around school this week for the RSPB big bird watch, however I did manage to scare off a beautiful woodpecker in the Nursery learning area—sorry Mrs Smart and Nursery children, you were all being so quiet!

Values—Zest

This half term we are focusing on our school value of zest.

It has been an exciting time in school as we finally have our whole school vision story up in our school reception. Please do take time to remind yourself of this when you are next visiting the office.

Here is a reminder of our zest value story:

We sparkle with energy, eager to start the day. Pausing to admire a new display, we feel a swell of pride for the vibrant tapestry of learning woven by our school community. Each stroke of colour represents not just knowledge, but the joy of discovery and the bonds forged in exploration.



Attendance



Our whole school attendance this week is 95.2%. This has dipped a little this week, yet we still sit just above the national figures. Please do make sure your child arrives at school on time every day to support them settling into their learning. I am sure we will get back on track with our excellent attendance next week.

Congratulations to the Attendance Cup winners 4KH with 98.7% - 4 marks missing
Silver: 2JRKE and 6MM with 97.1% - 8 marks missing
Bronze: 1ZP and 5SS with 96.8% - 9 marks missing

Well done everyone!

Save the date!



Wednesday 29th January: KS2 Science Day

Wednesday 29th January: Chinese New Year Special Menu – order via ParentPay

Friday 31st January: Year 2 Reading Cafe 9.15am - 10.00am

Monday 3rd – Friday 7th February – Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 4th February: Year 3 Roman Day

Wednesday 5th February: Year 1 Trip to Hartlebury Castle, Kidderminster

Friday 7th February: SEND Wellbeing Cafe

Tuesday 11th February: Safer Internet Day

Thursday 13th February: Reception and year 6 height and weight check

Friday 14th February: Reception and year 6 height and weight check

Friday 14th February—Deadline for MAT showcase audition submissions

Friday 14th February – Zest Value Day and Ambassadors assembly

Friday 14th February – end of Spring Term 1 Term

Monday 24th February— Spring Term 2 Starts

2025—2026 Term Date Update

Please find attached to this Newsletter the amended term dates for 2025—2026, these are also published on our website.



School News

Science Ambassadors

I have been extremely lucky to have read lots of fantastic Science Ambassador applications, so much so I had to seek second opinions!

Here are our first Science Ambassadors: Year 6 Liv H, Riley D, Year 5 Louie R, Emily B, Ethan S, Year 4 Edward F, Orla M, Year 3 Imogen S, Imogen L and Ethan J, Year 2 Amber H, Molly J, Year 1 Arthur H, Gabriella. We have lots of electrifying opportunities ahead and we aim to get the whole school buzzing about science!

A special mention to these budding Scientists, who also inspired me: Year 2 Thea, Year 3 Alice H, Gracie, Nathan and Bronwyn, Year 4 Rosie, Rhea, Millie and Taylor, Year 5 Luna, Arianna, Freddie and Tia, Year 6 Lorrie-Ann, Dottie, Blake, Charlie and Mia.

In other Science news, over the next few weeks seven planets will align in the night sky, so it's always worth looking up for the planet parade!

Miss Pettit



Opal

The OPAL vision is that every child in every school has an amazing hour of high-quality play every day – with no exceptions.



If one child is not enjoying playtimes, then things still need improving.

This week in OPAL, the children have been thoroughly enjoying using our large loose parts to create their own obstacle courses. Using jumps and turns to get across the course, the children were able to put a fun twist on exercise!

Thank you for all donations so far. In the next coming weeks we are hoping to develop our arts and crafts area, we would be truly grateful for donations of paper, pens and any other craft supplies to enable us to get crafty outside!

This week in OPAL the children have enjoyed popping a pair of wellies on and making mud creations and potions in the mud pit, and they have also been getting involved in a number of sports activities, including hockey, a bean bag throwing challenge, tennis and football Friday!

Next week in OPAL we are creating a new large loose parts storage space on the main playground. We hope to fill the space with an amazing large loose parts collection, such as tyres, rope, road signs, pallets, tubing/piping etc. Any donations would be greatly appreciated, and if you do have anything of this type to donate, please could you drop them off in the small car park at the end of the service road. Thank you!



Shires Creative Arts Showcase

Children are invited to audition for the inaugural MAT Creative Arts showcase which will take place at the Artrix on 2nd April.

If your child is talented in drama, dance, music, singing or any other performing arts, please encourage them to have a go!

It would be wonderful to see some Webheath talent being showcased along with other children in our trust.

There is a flyer attached to this newsletter with some more information. Audition videos should be sent via the forms link below, with the deadline for auditions being Friday 14th February.

<https://forms.office.com/e/uTazUZ0yhK?origin=lprLink>



Community News

Safer Internet Support for Parents

Keeping up with the ever-changing online world can be challenging, and it's easy to feel like children are more up to date than we are as adults. Chris Day is an Exploitation and Vulnerability trainer with West Mercia Police, and to help celebrate Safer Internet Day on **11th February 2025**, he is hosting a free 1-hour Online Safety session for all parents and carers across Herefordshire, Worcestershire, Telford and Wrekin and Shropshire. Covering topics such as dangerous apps, the rise of AI, sextortion and more, we're sure that everyone will come away from the training feeling more confident in the world of technology and the internet.

Date: Tuesday 11 Feb 2025

Time: 10am

Location: Microsoft Teams via Eventbrite

You can register using the link below:

[Online safety \(Child exploitation\) session for parents and guardians Tickets, Tue 11 Feb 2025 at](#)



Get involved in the RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch!

Between Friday 24th and Sunday 26th January, the RSPB are asking people to spend an hour bird watching and tracking which birds you spot. They use this data to help get an idea of how our British birds are getting on so they can better help them to thrive. It is really easy to submit your results on their website and they provide you with a handy guide which we have attached to this newsletter.

More details can be found here: [Big Garden Birdwatch](#)

Some classes have done this in school but we urge you to take part at home too so we can build a picture of how the birds are faring in our community. If you do take part, we would love to hear how you got on so feel free to send in any pictures you take.

Thank you for helping support a wildlife charity.

Have a lovely weekend with your families everyone, and enjoy looking out for those birds – tweet tweet!

Mrs Heffernan