

THE KEY

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KEY DATES & EVENTS

Bank Holiday: Monday 5th May

Year 7 Parents Evening: Thursday 8th May

Advance Notice

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Written by Mr A. Lawrence

It has certainly been a warm start to the term. Sadly, the forecast indicates that the temperatures will not hold for this Monday's bank holiday. It looks like the Lawrence family paddling pool will not be making an appearance yet!

We received wonderful news about one of our 6th Formers, Josh, who has been selected by The University of Birmingham's School of Physics and Astronomy to join their Levelling Up Programme. We are very proud of him. I was also very proud of the positive attitudes and great skills shown by our Year 11 and 13 during this week's Art Exams. There were some great pieces produced. I also had the

pleasure of watching our Year 11 begin their ICT exams yesterday, they really were a credit to the academy.

The build has come on at pace this week with the access road coming in and the demolition work nearing completion in the changing rooms.

This half term we have welcomed, Mr Baker - Head of Design & Creation, Miss Dace - Assistant Head of Design & Creation and Miss Whatmore - Teacher of History to our staff team.

Have a great Bank Holiday weekend.



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SPORTING UPDATES

Cricket tournaments are taking place next week on Tuesday for our under 13s.

On Thursday next week, our under 13 boys will play Queen Marys at Walsall CC in the first round of the Staffs Cricket Cup.

Due to the massive success of this years residential to Bryntysilio, we are looking to roll out the trip again in 2026 to current year 7/8 students. If your child is interested in attending please ask them to come and get a letter from the PE office.

ATTENDANCE FIGURES

% Attendance YTD





STUDENT SUCCESSES

Students have been working hard to complete their Sparx Homework. So far as a school this year we have read for 2,349 hours and read 1,448 different books! In Maths we have answered 844,251 questions! In Science we have answered 251,670 questions!

On Languagenut student have earned an impressive **890**, **200** points this month!

Congratulations! Amazing work and effort to our students!!

LATEST LETTERS

Please click on the link below to view our latest letters sent home.

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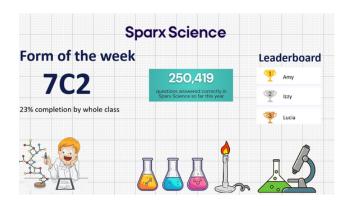
SPARX STARS ★



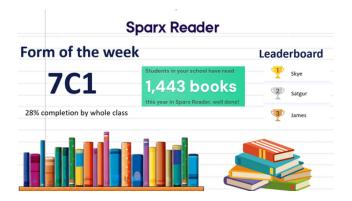
A big well done to Form 7V2 who are our Sparx Maths - Stars of the Week! An extra special shout out to 7 Arty 7 Reagen and 3 Bhawna, who are top of the class this week.



A big well done to Form 7C2 who are our Sparx Science - Stars of the Week! An extra special shout out to 7 Amy 7 Izzy and 3 Lucia, who are top of the class this week.



A big well done to Form 7C1 who are our Sparx Reader - Stars of the Week! An extra special shout out to 7 Skye 7 Satgur and 8 James, who are top of the class this week.



Complete your Sparx Reader, Sparx Science and Sparx Maths homework each week to be in with a chance to win:

- · Certificate for 'form class of the week' (Reader, Maths, Science)
- Raffle students who complete homework's will be entered into a raffle to win a £10 voucher in rewards assemblies
- 'Form of the term' will have a Treat to enjoy during registration at the end of term