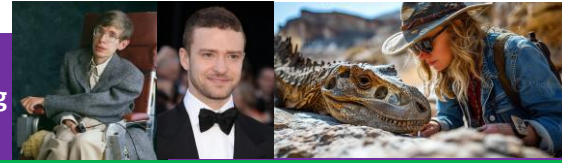




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This week at Ellowes Hall



THEME OF NEXT WEEK: End of Term Rewards.
HERO: Stephen Hawking. **SONG OF NEXT WEEK:** Can't Stop The Feeling by Justin Timberlake **CAREER OF THE WEEK:** Palaeontologist.

Headteacher's Introduction

As we move further into the summer term, there is much to celebrate across our school community. From the dedication and resilience shown by our Year 11 students as they begin their examination period, to the many achievements and opportunities taking place beyond the classroom, this continues to be a busy and rewarding time for everyone. Thank you, as always, for your continued support in helping us provide the very best experience for our students.

Many Year 11 examinations have already taken place, including the first of the main core subjects: English, Maths and Science. With many more exams scheduled for next week, we will soon reach half-term, the halfway point of this final stretch before we turn our attention to the last half of the academic year and, hopefully, some warmer weather.

Our Year 11 students are encouraged to continue making full use of the intervention sessions available to them. I would also like to remind parents and carers that staff remain fully committed to supporting students throughout this important period, with targeted revision sessions and pre-exam "blast" sessions continuing to provide valuable guidance and preparation. I speak on behalf of all staff when I wish our Year 11 students every success in their exams and hope they are maintaining effective revision timetables in preparation for the forthcoming half-term holiday.

Once again, there has been a great deal of exciting extra-curricular activity taking place, most notably within our sporting calendar. In particular, the PE visit to the Panthers v Lightning Netball match provided a fantastic opportunity for our students to see professional athletes

in action and to experience the excitement and inspiration that elite sport can bring.

I would also like to thank the parents and carers who completed our 'Voice of the Parent' survey. Your feedback is invaluable in helping us identify areas for improvement and continue to strengthen our school community. Several parents took the opportunity to request follow-up contact regarding specific concerns, and staff are currently reaching out to discuss these. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any further follow-up or support.

We are also proud to announce that we have been awarded the School Games Gold Award for the second consecutive year. This is a tremendous achievement and reflects the collective effort and enthusiasm of our students and staff. It sits proudly alongside other recent successes, including our Careers Gold Award, and is a testament to the breadth of opportunity and excellence we strive to offer.

Next week, we are also looking forward to our third Performing Arts Open Mic event, where many of our talented students will have the opportunity to showcase their abilities. This event will serve as a wonderful precursor to a larger performance planned for next term, building on the success and celebration of creativity that we enjoyed during our memorable 60th anniversary event before the Easter break.

As we approach half-term, I encourage all students to maintain their focus, continue striving for their very best, and take pride in all they are achieving. Thank you, as always, for your ongoing partnership and support in helping our young people flourish. Together, we continue to create a school community of which we can all be proud.



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Positives
This Week

Thursday 21st May (Week B)

Open Mic Night

Friday 22nd May (Week B)

End of Half-term

Tutor Groups with the Best Attendance

YEAR 7	7OM – Mrs McEvoy	93.45%
YEAR 8	8RP – Mr Patel	96.9%
YEAR 9	9SRI – Miss Rigby	99.09%
YEAR 10	10EP – Miss Perry	97.65%
YEAR 11	11JW – Miss Watson	100%

ABSENT PLEASE RING 01384 686600 Option 1



Year 7: Libbie L. Year 8: Lewis P.

Year 9: Lily G, Jake K, Jacob T. Year 10: Sam H.

If your child is a Student of the Week but we have not included their picture, it means we do not have the necessary consent from you. Please contact us if you would like us to be able to use your child's picture!



Thank you to all the parents that completed the **'Voice of the Parent'** survey. For those of you who requested feedback we are currently in the process of contacting you.

One point that was raised were the 'Rewards' on offer and when they take place and what they are.



We have our daily rewards which include positives and a celebrating student success board which is posted on social media and on our Ellowes Wall of Fame. Our Weekly awards including 100% attendance raffles, Student of the Week in assembly, and Golden Buzzer Awards which are promoted on our TVs. Our Half-Termly awards are given out throughout the year to celebrate students that have applied themselves during those six to eight weeks by demonstrating our school values. Our Yearly awards are handed out during two events. Our Awards Evening in December to promote exceptional progress and during our July Graduations for Student of the Year in each of the subjects offered. Finally, we offer school rewards trips to those that have met our attendance, behaviour and academic targets throughout the year. These trips have been to places such as Alton Towers, Drayton Manor, Bowling, Cinema, Safari Park and other fantastic locations.



We are proud to announce that we have secured Gold for a second consecutive year in this year's School Games Mark, a fantastic achievement for us as a school. This recognition captures the hard work of our students, staff and local community throughout the year.



Ellowes Hall Sports College

**has achieved the Gold School Games Mark
award for their commitment, engagement
in the School Games for 2025/26.**



Following on from the photographs from Uganda we have now received some letters back. This year these were written by Primary School students. We have also had a letter of thanks from one of the Football academy written on behalf of the children, as they are unable to read and write. Our contact will return again in January 2027 and our amazing English department will be supporting Year 8 with letter writing. Thank you again for all your support with this project it really does make a difference.



KAMPALA HOT SPURS ACADEMY

Hello Students of Ellows Hall

Am by names of Kaketo brian Am really honoured to write this letter on behalf of all our entire team. to thank you for your Continous support We do really appreciate. your kindness to us

Our academy has been running for a few years now and I started it with an intension of promoting young talented kids that have no chance in the community many of the kids come from very poor families and some are Street kids.

With your kind support we have managed to have more equipments to let us continue. And we now all pray the may the Lord bless and reward you always

Thank very much Once again.
Brian Kaketo



Uganda

M JUNIOR SCHOOL Do you have money and buy for me Computer
 Masaka city
 wavy 2026
 ny, how are you
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 to you from Uganda
 11 years old
 it would be wonderfull to get to know and learn about lives in
 reading stories, watching TV and singing, and I'd love to hear
 things you end enjoy too

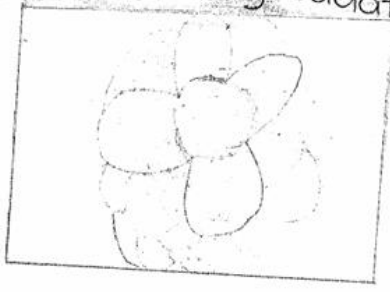


The school is fine, What is school like for you?
 My favourite subject is Social studies and Mathematics
 We wear shirts and clothes
 es, we wear bright and colourful clothes
 live with my mymy and dady and brothers
 es I have pers eg singing, watching TV and playing football
 which I can come there in England
 ly best friend is Dagoola, Sit hanton, Mubusin and Zaid
 ly favourite team is Arsenal the guners

Wisdom Junior School
 Senyange - Masaka city
 18th February, 2026

Dear Mya
 I am by names of Sadat. I am 11 years of age
 at Senyange Masaka city. And I am in a boardin
 School. My favourite subjects are History and
 I support ~~live poor~~ what about you? I have
 friends though my best friends is Francis and
 you will be.

I live in Uganda and I am very proud.
 Since I was a child, I wanted to come to Er
 But the bad thing is my parents have no
 their I thank you for the adv advise. Don't do
 # you don't like. Just do what your he heart
 like. I will pray to the almight so that I mee.
 Yours faithfully, Sadat.



Wisdom Junior School
 Senyange Masaka City
 18th February 2026

Dear Logan,
 My name is Imran AbdulMalik and I'm 13 years old
 I want to learn more about England
 I am fine, How do you do too.
 Our life is good in Uganda what about you in England
 Here in Uganda, we have two seasons in Uganda namely
 Dry season and wet season in a dry season it is to sunny
 and in wet season it rains a lot.

I like sports because it is fun which number do you play
 I play number 9 and at our school we have 16 trophies
 Even our teachers make our lessons funny ever.
 Playing football is my hobbies.
 I am in P.4 Class
 Will you take me in England I am so interested to see
 more about England.
 I have never gone to England please take me.
 Your loving friend Imran.

Netball Super League Trip: Panthers vs Lightning

Our students enjoyed an exciting evening of top-level sport on their recent trip to the Coventry Skydome, where they watched the Birmingham Panthers take on Loughborough Lightning in a fast-paced Netball Super League clash.

From the first centre pass, students were able to see elite netball up close, witnessing the speed, precision and teamwork that define the sport at the highest level. Loughborough Lightning showed their strength throughout the match, ultimately securing a 76–60 victory over the Panthers.



The trip offered not only a memorable sporting experience but also a valuable opportunity for students to deepen their understanding of the game and see the tactics they learn in school brought to life on court.

A big thank you to the staff who supported the visit and to the students for representing the school so brilliantly. We look forward to more sporting adventures in the future.



On Saturday Amelia went up to Northwood Stadium, Stoke to compete for her club Tipton Harriers in the Staffordshire County Championship in both Hammer and Discus. She came first in both events, becoming county champion in Discus and Hammer.

Jujutsu Self-Defence Club

With 6th Dan instructor *Shihan Robert Tiene*, with over 40 years of experience and part of *Taijutsu Kai Schools of Jujutsu*.



Come and join us! (1st class is free)

We empower students to take control & stay safe. Practical, reality based self defence classes for all ages.

When: Every Monday @ 3.30pm

Where: Sports Hall

For who: All Year groups

Cost: £7 per session



JUJUTSU

Speak to Mrs Harris for more info.

An opportunity not to be missed!

Enrichment Activities – Summer Term 2026 (Apr - Jul)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School	Breakfast in the Diner 8.00 – 8.40am				
		Equality Ambassadors in E3 from 08:20 (BH)			
11:15		Break Time Thrive Grace Foundation (ES)	Break Time Drop in Grace Foundation (ES)	Break Time Drop in Grace Foundation (ES)	
Lunch Time Clubs & Activities	The Library open to all every lunch time				
	Y7 Football in PE (Astros) & Year 11 in Sports Hall	Y11 Football in PE (Astros) & Year 10 in Sports Hall	Y10 Football in PE (Astros) & Year 9 in Sports Hall	Y8 Football in PE (Astros) & Year 7 in Sports Hall	Y9 Football in PE (Astros) & Year 8 in Sports Hall
	Choir in X1 (WJ)	Drama Scriptwriting Club in X4 (EH)	Drama Games Club in X4 (EH)	Beginners Guitar in X1 (WJ)	KS4 Dance Drop-in in X3 (RG) PE Kit Needed
	DT Club in D3 (DBA) & Textiles Club in D7 (TJO)	Christian Union / Drop in Grace Foundation (ES)	Drop in Grace Foundation (ES)	Equality Ambassadors & Space in E3 (BH)	Y7/8 Dance Club in X3/X4 (EH/RG) PE Kit Needed
	Boost in Ethos Room 1 (Invitation from VR)	Digital Ambassadors in V3 (OM) KS3 programming club in V3 (DJ)	Keyboard Club in X1 (WJ)	Drama Performance Club in X4 (EH)	Orchestra in X1
	Connect - invite only (MS) In Safeguarding Office	Working Tuesdays (Careers and Health Ambassadors) in V6 (ATP/SR)		Y7 Drop in Grace Foundation (ES)	Science Club in S8 (CB)
	KS4 Drama Rehearsal in X4 (EH)	Art Club in D5 (HHA)		The Lunch Bunch in Ethos 2 (MST & VR)	
	Media Ambassadors in E8 (KRI)	Chess in S2 (DH) Psychology Club in E8 (Week B) SRI			
	Science Sparx HWK Club in V7 (DH)	Producers Club (WJ)			
	Parallel Club 15:15 – 15:45 in M10 (AR)	Bright Sparx in V2 (PJ)	Lego Club 15:15 – 16:15 – Ethos Room 1 (VR)	Pickleball Y7 – 11 15:15 – 16:15 (LM)	Advanced Guitar Club 15:15 – 16:00 in X1
After School Clubs Activities		Climbing Club 15:15 – 16:15 See Miss Harris due to numbers	Volleyball in Sports Hall (WJ)	Eco Ambassadors 15:15 – 16:15 in D4 (JMI)	Y11 Dance Rehearsals in X3 (RG) PE Kit Needed
		Rounders Y7 – 11 15:15 – 16:15 (JOP)	Golf (Invite Only) 15:15 – 16:15		
		Barcelona Training on Astros (RG)	Y7, 8 (X4) & 9 (X3) Dance Club (RG/EH)		
		Cricket/Softball Y7 – 11 15:15 – 16:15 (JEV)	Girls Football (External Coaches)		
		Musical Theatre Club in X4 (EH)			
Film Club 15:15 – 16:15 – Grace Foundation Rooms (ES)					

Our Media Ambassadors are very excited to launch our new PODCAST. "WE TALK!" focusing on exam stress and mental health. Our students have worked exceptionally hard and we are extremely proud of their dedication and commitment to enable this to happen. Enjoy listening, be sure to like it and share where possible.



podcast

We. talk!

<https://youtu.be/9NV-F1UXXcc>

The next School
Production coming in
November 2026 is...



Please see the Performing Arts Staff for more
details. Anyone can join the chorus.



SEDGLEY & GORNAL UNITED U14'S SOUTH

RECRUITING PLAYERS

FOR 2026/2027 SEASON
CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR 8



MATCHES PLAYED
SUNDAYS
IN SDYFL DIVISION 2



TRAINING DAY
WEDNESDAY
BASED IN SEDGLEY

BE PART OF THE
SCORPIONS!



CONTACT **RICKY** 📞 074670239231 | **MIKEY** 📞 07754833372
TO REGISTER INTEREST

STOP PRESS

Polite Notice to Parents and Carers

We kindly ask for your cooperation in helping to keep our school site safe and accessible for everyone at the end of the school day (3.15pm).

Please do not bring vehicles beyond the first set of school entrance gates under any circumstances. In addition, parking is **not permitted** in the area between the entrance gates and the access point to the staff car park. **This space must be kept completely clear at all times.**

These restrictions are in place to ensure the safety of pupils, staff, and visitors, and to maintain clear access for emergency vehicles. Vehicles in these areas create significant safety risks and obstruct essential access routes.

We appreciate that collection times can be busy, and we thank you for your understanding and cooperation in parking considerately in the surrounding area and respecting these rules.

Thank you for helping us maintain a safe environment for all members of our school community.



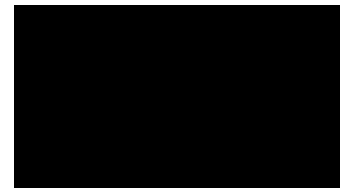
Sparx

Parent/Carer Guide

How to log into Sparx to complete homework from home

Weekly homework will be set on the following days and then due on the same day the following week.

- Monday: Sparx Science
- Wednesday: Sparx Maths
- Thursday: Sparx Reader

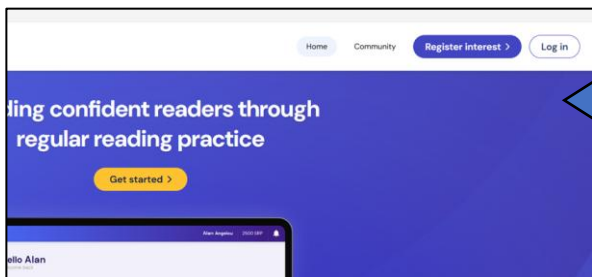
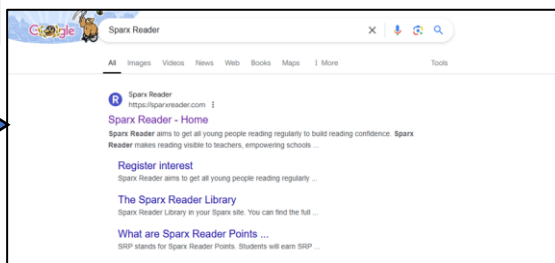


Students can log into Sparx through either [the link on their Arbor page](#) or through a search engine such as Google.

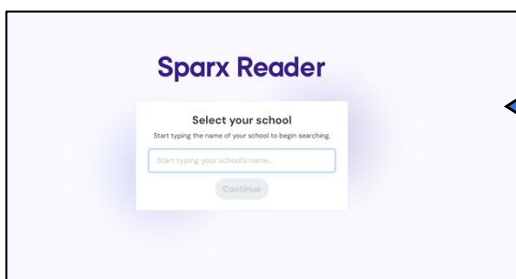


Subject	Homework set	Homework due in	Detention Night
Maths	Wednesday	Wednesday	Thursday
English	Thursday	Thursday	Friday
Science	Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday

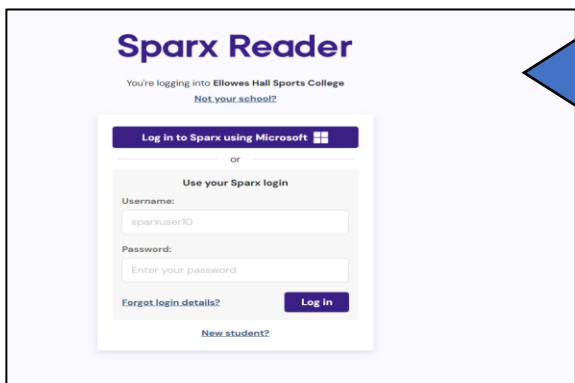
If accessing via Google, students will need to type Sparx Science/ Sparx Maths/ Sparx Reader into Google and select the first search result that appears.



Once they have clicked on either the link on Arbor or the search result on Google they need to click the white log in icon in the top right corner and then select student log in.



They will then be asked to select their school, which will appear as they start typing in Ellowes Hall Sports College



They can then click the purple box that says 'log in to Sparx using Microsoft' and then use their school email and password to log in. Their password is the same password that they use to log into any computer in school.

Any homework students have been set will appear. Students can continue to read on Sparx Reader even after their homework has been completed, and we would encourage them to, especially if they are really enjoying the book they have chosen.

Carousel Homework for Geography and History

- One quiz per week per subject.
- Set and due Thursdays. Monday night detentions.
- Link set by Miss McCormack and Miss Perry to your email. Click this and login with your Microsoft email.
- You have to revise before you can take the quiz (say the answer to each flashcard aloud and then click 'show answer' to test yourself. Self-mark and then move on).
- Take the quiz and self-mark your answers. Be honest as your teacher can see!

Y7 GEOGRAPHY WEEK 1

QUIZ BY MISS PERRY
CLASS: YEAR 7 GEOGRAPHY

REVISE

TAKE QUIZ

Your teacher has locked the quiz.
You must complete the flashcards before you can take this quiz.

Click REVISE to get started.



9 COMING UP!

Define 'political geography'

SHOW ANSWER

I GOT THIS...

WRONG

NEARLY
RIGHT

RIGHT

HOMEWORK

**ELOWES HALL
KEY STAGE 3
LOVE TO LEARN
HOMEWORK BOOKLET**

This booklet contains a range of tasks from each of your non-core subjects. You will need to use this as part of your homework. Please show your teacher on completion of a task for rewards.

Check in weeks 2025-2026
Autumn term : w/c **8th December**
Spring term: w/c **16th March**
Summer term: w/c **22nd June**

PE LOVE TO LEARN CHECK LIST	
1. Complete a 30-minute walk.	
2. Successfully complete 10 minutes of PE.	
3. Complete a 10-minute walk/jog.	
4. Attend a PE club for one hour.	
5. Attendance at a local fitness centre.	
6. Attend a PE Day this academic year.	
7. Attend a PE Day in a school of your choice.	
8. Visit any sports facilities in the city.	

Drama LOVE TO LEARN CHALLENGES	
Create a Poster of the Physical Skills and their addresses.	
Design a costume for a new action movie.	
Attend a Drama Club for a half term.	
Get involved in a Performing Arts Showcase (either writing or backstage).	
Bring your own knowledge to school (either writing or backstage).	
Design a new set for your favourite TV show or film.	
Design a challenge for your favourite TV show or film.	
Watch a physical theatre and get a photo or judge your own work.	

KS3 Students (Years 7-9) have also been issued with Love to Learn Homework tasks. These will be checked at 3 checkpoints throughout the year, with effort scores shared with home. Prizes will be awarded for excellent participation!



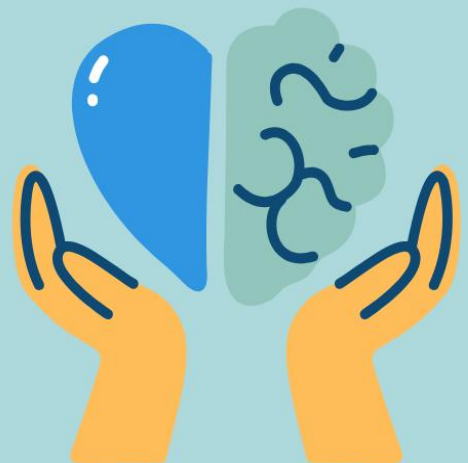
REFLEXIONS DROP-IN SESSION



Drop-in with Reflexions is open to all students who want support on any issues which are impacting on mental health in a confidential space.

Every Thursday

**Physical and Sensory Room
1:30 - 2:15**



**NHS**Black Country Healthcare
NHS Foundation Trust

Join us for...

GAME & CHILL

Join the Reflexions team for a fun day where children, young people and families can enjoy their favourite board games together – a chance to make friends, connect and share laughs in a relaxed, supportive space.

Parents to accompany children under 13 years old



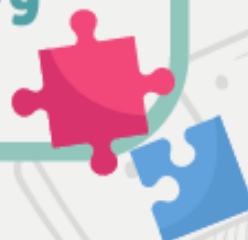
Thursday 28th May 10:30am – 3:00pm



Halesowen Family Centre

Lye By-Pass, Stourbridge DY9

8HT



What People Loved!

- ★ **The environment was inclusive and staff were kind and accommodating, looking forward to more of this'**
- ★ **'Big impact on my families mood, we've all been happy to be here'**
- ★ **I was a bit stressed and now I feel more relaxed**

For additional information or brief sign up form to register your attendance, please email bchft.reflexions@nhs.net or feel free to pop in!

TFA

COACHING CAMPS

WHIT WEEK FOOTBALL TRAINING CAMP

TUES 26TH, WEDS 27TH & THURS 28TH MAY

AGES 6-14  BOYS & GIRLS  9AM-3PM

£30/DAY OR **£75**/3 DAYS

ONLINE REGISTRATION

WWW.THEFOOTBALLERSACADEMY.CO.UK

EARLY DROP OFF 8:30-9:00AM **£5**
LATE PICK UP 3-4PM **£10**

CAMP INCLUDES

-  Skills & Drills
-  Individual Comps & Team Tournaments
-  Fantastic 4G Pitch
-  Certificates & Prizes

COACHED BY
RUSS PENN &
JIMMY O'CONNOR

 **STOURTON PARK, STOURBRIDGE**





Time2Breathe

Take time out in nature on a relaxing wellness walk in
2026

Every last Friday of the month at 1-2pm

January 30th - Fens Pools Nature Reserve

February 27th - Wrens Nest National Nature Reserve

March 27th – Bumble Hole Nature Reserve

April 24th - Saltwells National Nature Reserve

May 29th - Barrow Hill Nature Reserve

June 26th – Wrens Nest National Nature Reserve

July 31st – Leasowes Nature Reserve

August 28th – Cotwall End Nature Reserve

September 25th - Saltwells National Nature Reserve

October 30th - Leasowes Nature Reserve

November 27th - Barrow Hill Nature Reserve

December 18th - Saltwells National Nature Reserve

Details to be released each month.

Please call 07971 065712 for further information





Key Dates Summer Term 2026

Date	Event
Thursday 21 st May	Open Mic Night
Friday 22 nd May	End of Half-term
Monday 1 st June	Start of Summer Half-term 2
Monday 1 st – 3 rd June	Silver DofE Expedition
Wednesday 3 rd June	LGBTQ+ Event
Thursday 4 th June	Y8 Vaccinations
Monday 8 th June	Bronze DofE Practice Day
Thursday 11 th June	Y8 Personal Development Day
Wednesday 17 th June	Y9 Personal Development Day
Friday 19 th June	Science Big Bang Fair
Friday 19 th June	Y7 Inflatables Opportunity
Monday 22 nd June	Love to Learn homework check in week
Monday 22 nd – 26 th June	Y7 Mock Exams
Wednesday 24 th June	09.00-12.00 Year 8 Vaccinations Catch-Ups
Wednesday 24 th – Thursday 25 th June	Y9 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh
Friday 26 th June	Reading Ambassadors - Book Shop Reward Trip
Monday 29 th June	Oracy Week - Year 8
Monday 29 th June	Y6 Parent Teacher Meeting
Monday 29 th – Tuesday 30 th June	Y6 Induction Days
Monday 29 th June – Friday 3 rd July	Y10 Mock Exams
Wednesday 1 st July	Performing Arts Summer Showcase
Thursday 2 nd July	09.00-11.00: Year 11 Graduation
Thursday 2 nd July	Yr 11 Prom
Friday 3 rd July	Lakeside Trip (PE)
Monday 6 th – 10 th July	Y7 and Y9 Oracy Week
Monday 6 th – 10 th July	Y10 Work Experience Week
Friday 10 th July	Sports Day
Tuesday 14 th July	Y9 and Y10 Graduations
Tuesday 14 th – Thursday 16 th July	Y7 Bikeability
Thursday 16 th July	Attendance Rewards Celebration
Thursday 16 th July	Ellowes Party in the Park
Friday 17 th July	12.00PM: School Closes for the Summer Holidays