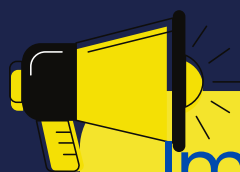
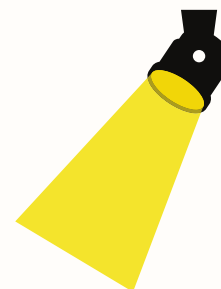


WBSpotlight

w/e 7th November 2025



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Arbor School Shop

We're excited to begin using Arbor for online payments, and will soon be introducing School Shop items that families can purchase directly through the platform. These items will be available via both the Arbor App and the Parent Portal.

To learn how to access and purchase items step-by-step, please visit the following guide:

[Purchasing School Shop items on the Parent Portal or Parent App – Arbor Help Centre](#)

What a week it's been!

Dear WBS Families,

It has been an energetic start to the week, and we would like to share some highlights with you.

Thank you to all the students and parents who attended the GCSE Preparation Evening. We hope you found the session informative and that you are able to make full use of the resources provided.

This week, City & Guilds visited to assess our Construction group, and we are proud to report that students demonstrated exceptional effort and commitment throughout.

The Trust Conference was a fantastic event, and we are delighted to announce that our very own Mrs Cooke received the award for Compassion. This achievement is featured in this week's Spotlight. During the half-term break, the Poland trip was a tremendous success. If you have not yet seen our updates on Facebook, we encourage you to take a look—you will also find a Spotlight feature on the trip. The students were absolutely outstanding and a pleasure to travel with.

Thank you for your continued support as we celebrate these achievements and look forward to the weeks ahead.

Mrs Mincher Deputy Head Teacher

School calendar



WC 10th November Enrichment Week

24th November – Virtual Settling in Evenin

29th November – WBS Christmas Market 10am-12pm

24th-27th November – MFL speaking exams

3rd December – Biathlon

3rd December – Ski visit parental meeting

10th & 11th December – Art GCSE Mock exam

10th December – Xmas Live Lounge

15th December – Much Wenlock Church Christmas Carol Service 6pm

17th December – Broseley Church Christmas Carol Service 6pm

Virtual Parental Evening Monday 24th November Letter



Our Year 7–11 Virtual Settling in Evening is taking place on Monday 24th November, the details are as follows:

Date: Monday 24th November 2025

PCE Timings: 15.30 hrs to 18.00 hrs

Years 7–11 Virtual Settling-In Evening Accessing Your Appointments via Microsoft Teams

Dear WBS Families,

Thank you for booking your appointments for our Virtual Settling-In Evening for students in Years 7–11. These meetings with your child's Tutor will take place on **Monday 24th November 2025**, between **15:30 and 18:00**, and will be held online via **Microsoft Teams**, using your child's school Teams account.

To ensure a smooth experience, please follow the steps below to access your appointments:

1. **Log in to your child's school email account.**
2. **Look out for an email invitation** from your child's Tutor for each appointment you've booked.
3. **Do not click 'Accept'** on the calendar invite. Accepting it may remove the email from your inbox. Instead, keep the email and use it at the time of your meeting.
4. **At your scheduled appointment time**, open the email and click the link that says **'Join Microsoft Teams Meeting'**.
5. **If there's a short delay**, please don't worry—your Tutor will join the meeting as soon as they are available.

Please ensure your child is present to help log in, or that you have access to their login details in advance.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, feel free to contact the school.

Kind regards,
William Brookes School

Booking Window:

Appointments can be scheduled from Monday, 4th November 2025 at 8:00 AM until Wednesday, 20th November 2025 at 3:00 PM.

To book your appointment, please use the following link:

👉 **Log in to your School | Arbor**

Need Help Logging In or Booking?

For step-by-step guidance, please refer to the following support articles:

Log into the Parent Portal and the Parent App – Arbor Help Centre (arbor-education.com)

Booking Guardian Consultations (Parent's Evenings) on the Parent Portal or Parent App – Arbor Help Centre

Check you inbox for this information!

Sport Clubs



*Health body
Healthy mind*



Important Notice: After-School Clubs During Enrichment Week

Please note that after-school clubs will not be running during Enrichment Week.

Exceptions:

Netball for Year 7 and Year 8 will run as normal.

ILM session for Year 11 will take place on Friday as scheduled.

If you are unsure about any specific club, please contact the teacher who runs that club directly.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

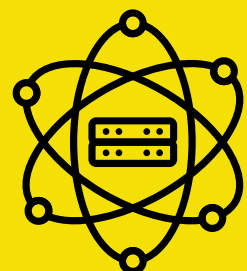
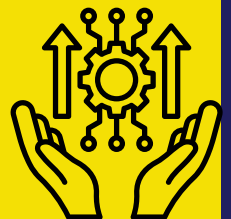
Enrichment Week at WBS – Living Our Values Beyond the Classroom
At WBS, our core values of Respect, Excellence, and Friendship don't just belong in the classroom—they shape everything we do.

Enrichment Week is a fantastic opportunity to bring these values to life in new and exciting ways.

This week is all about:

- Having fun with friends and building lasting memories.
- Developing new skills that go beyond the curriculum.
- Boosting self-confidence through hands-on experiences.
- Exploring new passions and discovering hidden talents.
- We believe learning happens everywhere, and Enrichment Week is your chance to grow, challenge yourself, and enjoy something different.

We are so excited for this week—let's make it one to remember!



Enrichment Week

Key Information

Year 7

Dates

- Monday 10th November 2025 – Warwick Castle Trip / House Sports
- Tuesday 11th November 2025 – House Sports & Remembrance
- Wednesday 12th to Friday 14th November 2025 – Activity Carousel
- Thursday Evening (13th November 2025) – Annie the Musical Trip

Times

- Daily line-up: 8.45am (Monday to Friday)
- Remembrance reflection: 11.00am on Tuesday
- Annie the Musical Trip: Meet at Theatre Severn: 6.15pm. Parent pick-up: 9.30pm

Equipment to Bring

- For Warwick Castle Trip (Monday):
- Packed lunch or money to buy food
- Waterproof jacket
- Water bottle

School uniform (lanyards not required)

Year 8

Student activities are majority in school.

Equipment to Bring

For Map Skills Trip (Monday & Tuesday):

- Packed lunch
- Waterproof jacket
- Water bottle
- School uniform (lanyards not required)
- Any necessary medication (to be handed to Reception staff before departure)

-  Coach departs: 3.20pm For the Wednesday evening bowling visit
-  Parent pick-up: 6.30pm at Hollywood Bowl, Shrewsbury

Equipment to Bring

Monday – Activity Carousel:

- Inflatables: Swimming kit
- Den Building: School uniform; optional waterproof trousers and wellies
- Gardening: School uniform; optional waterproof trousers and wellies; gardening recommended

Wednesday – Wrekin Trip (PM):

- School uniform
- Snacks
- Water

Year 9

Year 7

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M	Warwick Castle
TU	House Sports
W	am Christmas Fayre crafting pm Christmas Choir
TH	World Kindness Day Performing Arts Workshop
F	Club Taster Sessions

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TH	House Sports
F	am War Poetry Workshop pm Euro Lang Activities

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ENRICHMENT WEEK 9 ATHENS 10-14 TH NOV	
M	am Gardening pm Den building
TU	Take your Child to Work Day
W	am Inflatables pm Wrekin
TH	STEM
F	Careers Seminar

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Year 9

Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable

Date	Start Time	Assessable	Duration
Mon, 10 Nov 2025	09:00	History	1hr30
Mon, 10 Nov 2025	09:00	Product Design D	1hr30
Mon, 10 Nov 2025	09:00	PE D	1hr30
Mon, 10 Nov 2025	09:00	H&S	1hr
Mon, 10 Nov 2025	09:00	iMedia	1hr30
Mon, 10 Nov 2025	13:00	Maths Non Calc	1hr30
Tue, 11 Nov 2025	09:00	English Literature	1hr45
Tue, 11 Nov 2025	13:00	Biology	1hr15/45
Wed, 12 Nov 2025	09:00	Physics	1hr15/45
Wed, 12 Nov 2025	13:00	Business C	1hr45
Wed, 12 Nov 2025	13:00	PE C	1hr30
Wed, 12 Nov 2025	13:00	Product Design C	1hr30
Wed, 12 Nov 2025	13:00	French	1hr15/20
Wed, 12 Nov 2025	13:00	Spanish	1hr15/20
Thu, 13 Nov 2025	09:00	Business A	1hr45
Thu, 13 Nov 2025	09:00	Geography A	1hr30
Thu, 13 Nov 2025	09:00	History A	1hr30
Thu, 13 Nov 2025	09:00	RS	1hr30
Thu, 13 Nov 2025	09:00	Hosp & Catering A	1hr20
Thu, 13 Nov 2025	13:00	English Language	1hr 30
Fri, 14 Nov 2025	09:00	Maths Calculator	1hr30
Fri, 14 Nov 2025	13:00	Chemistry	1hr15/45
Mon, 17 Nov 2025	09:00	Geography B	1hr30
Mon, 17 Nov 2025	09:00	History B	1hr30
Mon, 17 Nov 2025	09:00	Computer Science	1hr30
Mon, 17 Nov 2025	09:00	Hosp & Catering B	1hr20
Tue, 18 Nov 2025	09:00	MFL Reading & Listening	2hrs

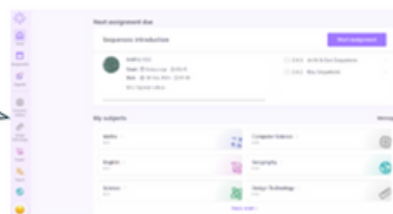
Dear WBS Families,

Thank you to everyone who attended our Year 11 GCSE Preparation Evening on Tuesday, 4th November. Staff were delighted to see such enthusiasm for learning from our students.

Revision can be challenging but adopting a "little and often" approach is by far the most effective strategy. Students should keep their eyes on the ultimate goal – success in the summer exams and securing college places. The effort they put in now is an investment in their future.

We are pleased to share that we have invested in Seneca Premium, giving students access to taught revision classes remotely. We strongly recommend that students create a revision schedule to complete each of the subject courses in the lead-up to the summer exams. These courses can be found on the left-hand side of the student homepage. An example screenshot is included below for reference.

If you click on the courses, you will be able to work through exam-specification-specific revision activities, ensuring that preparation is focused and effective.



Following on from this week's session, you can access all of these resources via the following OneDrive link: [Year 11 Revision Sheets](#)

Thank you for your continued support in helping our students achieve their best.

Kind regards,
Claire Mincher
Deputy Head Teacher
William Brookes School

**Year 11 Student/Parental letter –
The one drive folder link is:**

https://318education-my.sharepoint.com/:f/g/personal/claire_mincher_wbs_318education_co_uk/Eiu8dudwK5dJpNd-gTfZcpABXjn3GCLC37QBafSYVymbg?e=MUUIIL

**This should allow you to view
and download the revision
resources shared on Tuesday
4th November.**



Year 11 Mock Exams – Final Information

Year 11 Mock Exams – Final Information

As we approach the first set of mock exams starting Monday, 10th November, please take note of the following important details:

Essential Equipment Students must bring the following items to every exam:

- Black pen
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Scientific calculator
- Highlighter
- Compass
- Protractor

Exam Timings

- Morning exams will finish around 10:45 AM.
- Lunch will be at 11:45 AM, and Year 11 will be the first group served in the canteen.

Break Time Arrangements

- The canteen will not be available during morning break due to adjusted timings.
- Students should bring a snack for break time.

Post-Exam Options (10:45–11:45 AM) Students may:

- Revise in the canteen (please bring revision materials)
- Or enjoy some downtime by playing football on the MUGA

These arrangements are designed to support both academic focus and wellbeing during the exam period. Good luck to all Year 11 students — you've got this!

Trust Award



🌟 Celebrating Our Superstar – Mrs Cooke! 🌟

We are absolutely thrilled to share that our very own Mrs Cooke has been awarded a Trust Award for Compassion at Mondays conference! 🎉

Mrs Cooke was over the moon to receive this well-deserved recognition – and we couldn't be prouder. As both a dedicated cleaner and lunchtime supervisor, she works tirelessly every single day to support our school community.

Her ever-present smile, unwavering kindness, and genuine care for our students make her truly one in a million. 💖

We're so lucky to have her as part of the WBS family – congratulations, Mrs Cooke! 🎉

👏 The 3-18 Education Trust

#WBSFamily #CompassionAward #ThankYouMrsCooke #SchoolHeroes

Amazing us!



Celebrating Success:

Our Students Shine in City & Guilds Construction Assessment!

We are thrilled to celebrate the incredible achievements of our students who have successfully completed their City & Guilds Construction Assessment.

This marks a proud moment for each learner and for our school community.

Look at what they have accomplished.



"This assessment piece has been developed over a six-week period, culminating in the completion of the Tiling Challenge yesterday, during which participants executed Herringbone patterns at both 45-degree and 90-degree angles."

What's on at The Edge



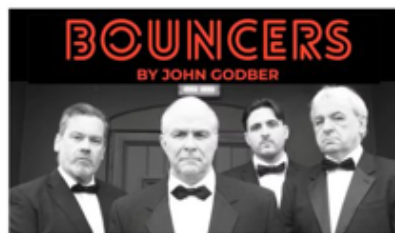
The Classic Blues Show
Saturday 8 November 7.30pm



Belfast (12)
Monday 10 November 7.30pm



Exhibition on Screen: Caravaggio (12A)
Thursday 13 November 7.30pm



Shropshire Drama Company presents
Bouncers
Friday 14 November 7.30pm



Ocean with David Attenborough (PG)
Monday 17 November 7.30pm



I, Daniel Blake (15)
Thursday 17 November 7.30pm

The Edge Arts Centre
at William Brookes School

Box Office: Penny-Farthing, 5 The Square, Much Wenlock
Buy online at ticketsource.co.uk/edgeartscentre

Join our mailing list at edgeartscentre.com
01952 728911

Advice, Guidance & Community

Understanding your child From toddler to teen

- Would you like to know more about your child's development?
- Do you need help and support to understand your child's behaviour?
- Would you like a chance to meet with other parents and carers with children of a similar age?

Join us for one of our free virtual or face to face groups, our next groups start:

Understanding Your Child Group 12th January 2026 from 9.30am to 11.30am St Giles Primary, Shrewsbury
 Understanding Your Child Group 13th January 2026 from 6.00pm to 7.30pm Little Explorers, Ditton Priors
 Understanding Your Child SEND Group 14th January 2026 from 10.00am to 12.00pm Severdale Academy
 Understanding Your Child Group 14th January 2026 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm Virtually via MS Teams
 Understanding Your Child Group 14th January 2026 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm St Lawrence Primary, Church Stretton
 Understanding Your Child SEND Group 15th January 2026 from 9.00am to 11.00am Cleve Hill Community Academy
 Understanding Your Child SEND Group 15th January 2026 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm Virtually via MS Teams
 Understanding Your Child Group 16th January 2026 from 9.30am to 11.30am Highley Primary School

All our groups run for 10 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays.

SEND groups are for parents/carers of Children who might have special educational needs and disabilities, no formal diagnosis is needed to attend the groups.

To book a place email
 Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk
 or call 01743 250950

Find more free online courses at:
 inourplace.co.uk/shropshire



Does your child struggle with their sleep?

Free Sleep Tight Groups

Join us on one of our virtual or face-to-face groups and:

- Find out why sleep is important for our health and emotional wellbeing
- Get support to help improve sleep and bedtime routines
- Meet other parents/carers to share and discuss experiences

Sleep Tight Group Monday 12th January 2026 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm Virtually Via MS Teams
 Sleep Tight Group Thursday 15th January 2026 from 9.30am to 11.30am Highley Primary School
 Sleep Tight SEND Group Monday 23rd February 2026 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm Virtually Via MS Teams
 Sleep Tight Group Tuesday 24th February 2026 from 9.30am to 11.30am Crowmoor Primary School

The groups run for 5 weeks excluding the school holidays

SEND groups are for parents/carers of Children who might have special educational needs and disabilities, no formal diagnosis is needed to attend the groups

To book a place email Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or call 01743 250950



Shropshire Parenting Help and Support Line

01743 250950

Mon - Thurs, 9.30am - 4.30pm
 Fri, 9.30am - 3.30pm

No judgment, just support. For all Shropshire families, including those whose children have special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)



Events at the Edge Arts Centre <https://edgeartscentre.com/>



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