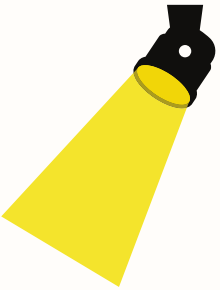
WBSpotlight

W/E 13TH NOVEMBER 2026





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What a week it's been!

Dear WBS Families,

What a fantastic week at William Brookes! Enrichment Week has given students opportunities to learn beyond the classroom, developing teamwork, resilience, independence, communication and confidence through a wide range of experiences.

👏 Well done to Year 11 for their excellent approach to the mock examinations. A very successful week!

🌟 Year 10 have been out on Work Experience, with very strong feedback about how they have represented themselves and the school.

🌹 We also came together for our Remembrance Day commemorations, organised by our Student Leaders and Mr Jones, marking the occasion with respect and dignity.

A week of opportunity, achievement, reflection and preparation for life beyond school.

Mrs Mincher, Deputy Head Teacher



School calendar

25th Nov - Year 10 GCSE Preparation evening
4th Dec - Year 11 Mock Exam Reward
2 nd Dec - Live lounge
5th Dec Much Wenlock Christmas fayre
8th Dec - Year 7 Acedemic reward evening
9th Dec - Year 11 PCE

What's new!

Dear WBS Families

I am delighted to introduce myself as the new Chair of the Local Committee (previously called the Governing Body). It is a real privilege to take on this role and to have the opportunity to support our pupils, staff and wider school community.

I am joining the Committee at a particularly exciting time. The governance structure has been reorganised, allowing us to take a fresh approach to how we work and recruit new members to the team. This development will help ensure that the Committee is well placed to support the leadership team, provide effective challenge, and contribute positively to the continued success of the school. Committee members volunteer their time to help make sure the school is providing the best possible education and opportunities for all children.

As Local Committee members, our shared ambition is simple: to help create the very best opportunities for every child to thrive, both academically and personally. We want our school to be a place where pupils feel safe, valued and inspired to achieve their full potential. The support, encouragement and involvement of parents and carers make an enormous difference to children's confidence, wellbeing and achievement. Together, we can ensure that every young person has the opportunity to flourish.

I am excited about what lies ahead and look forward to playing my part in supporting the school's continued development as we embark on this new chapter together.

Yours faithfully
Anna Lloyd
Chair of Local Committee

What's new!



We will be holding a 'Live Lounge' Concert at 6pm on Wednesday 2nd December 2026 in which our young musicians will be entertaining us with the music that they have been rehearsing this term. If your son/daughter would like to take part in this concert please contact Ms Adams at school for them to be added to the programme.

Extra Curricular

William Brookes School PE Department
Lunchtime and After-School Clubs
Autumn Term 2026

	Lunchtime (meet in sportshall)	After-School (meet at back of PE changing rooms)			Dance
Monday	Basketball	Year 11 GCSE revision			Elite Dance
STAFF	Mr Parkes	Mr Boak – room 220			Ms Leason
Tuesday	Badminton – GCSE PE students	Netball	Year 10 GCSE revision		Year 7-11 Dance
STAFF	Mr Boak	Ms Johnson	Mr Boak – room 220		Hannah Oldham
Wednesday	Badminton – all years				
STAFF	Ms Johnson				
Thursday		Year 7-8 boys football	Year 9-10 boys football	Girls football	
STAFF		Mr Parkes	Mr Boak	Ms Hennessy	
Friday					
STAFF					

Day	Dance – Mrs Leason	Drama – Mr Henson	Music – Ms Adams
Monday	Elite Dance – DS2 *(Start Date to be confirmed)*	KS4 Drama Rehearsal	Jazz Band - 222
Tuesday	All Years Dance Club – DS2 *Hannah Oldham*	HSM Lead cast – Drama DS3 Week B KS3 Drama - Week A *Starting 15th September*	HSM Lead cast – Singing 222 Week A Year 7 Choir Week B *Starting 15th September*
Wednesday	NO CLUBS	NO CLUBS	NO CLUBS
Thursday	HSM Musical Full Cast *Starting 10th September in DS2* *3:30-5pm*	HSM Musical Full Cast *Starting 10th September in DS2* *3:30-5pm*	HSM Musical Full Cast *Starting 10th September in DS2* *3:30-5pm*

WILLIAM BROOKES SCHOOL

Performing Arts After School Clubs

2026/2027

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL JR

All Clubs run from 3:20pm-4:20pm

Music Lunchtime Rehearsals (13:40-14:10): Rock Bands – see Ms Adams for further details

HSM Full Cast Thursday rehearsal runs 3:30pm-5pm

High School Musical Shows – Week commencing 8th February 2027!

Extra Curricular

Monday	1. **Homework Club** – book place via Arbor 2. **Breakfast Club** Library (20 places) book place via Arbor	1. 3:20pm - 4:20pm 2. 8.00-8.30am
Tuesday	1. **Homework Club** – book place via Arbor 2. **Breakfast Club** Library (20 places) book place via Arbor 3. KS3 Design and Technology Club	1. 3:20pm - 4:20pm 2. 8.00-8.30am 3. 3.20 – 4.00pm
Wednesday	1. **Homework Club** – book place via Arbor 2. **Breakfast Club** Library (20 places) book place via Arbor	1. 3:20pm - 4:20pm 2. 8.00-8.30am
Thursday	1. **Homework Club** – book place via Arbor 2. **Breakfast Club** Library (20 places) book place via Arbor	1. 3:20pm - 4:20pm 2. 8.00-8.30am
Friday	1. **Breakfast Club** Library (20 places) book place via Arbor	3. 8.00-8.30am

Year 11 Revision Masterclass Timetable

DAY	Lunch session ('Open Door')	After-school session
Monday	Religious Studies – Mrs Mincher's office/Meeting room 3 Further Maths 001 Mrs Caldwell Art – Mrs Abrahams Room 111	Business, Mrs Valentine. Room 206. 3:20 – 4pm Geography 205 Mrs Brooks 3:30 – 4:30pm Year 11 GCSE PE 3:20 –4:15pm, Mr Boak, room 220
Tuesday	Science 13.45 - 14.15 Health and Social Care – Mrs Hennessy room 221 Maths 001 Mrs Caldwell	Science 3.30 - 4.00pm - Mrs Roberstons room Religious Studies – room 102 @4.20-5pm (After science Year 10 GCSE PE 3:20-4:15pm, Mr Boak, room 220
Wednesday	History (Week B) 13:45-14:15 room 110 Miss Lane Geography 205 Break time Mrs Brooks	Staff meeting
Thursday	IMedia – Mr Beard, room 221 Product Design, Mr Colburn. Room 011. Spanish, Ms Hayman. Room 226	Maths – London Breakout, Mrs Caldwell, Mrs Bright Product Design, Mr Colburn. Room 011. 3:20 – 4pm H&C – room 012 3:20 – 4pm
Friday	Geography – Ms Brooks room 205 Product Design, Mr Colburn. Room 011. French – Mrs Crowther. Room 227.	English – 3.30-4.30pm

These sessions will continue right up to May 2027!



Enrichment Week









THE PURPOSE

Three reasons enrichment matters

Healthy body, healthy mind

Young people need to move, be outdoors, connect with others and succeed in different ways. The Education Endowment Foundation links physical activity to health and wellbeing benefits and a small positive effect on attainment. Adventure learning research points to gains in confidence, teamwork, resilience and engagement.

Ready for a changing world

AI is reshaping work fast. The World Economic Forum's Future of Jobs research, drawing on more than 1,000 employers, predicts big changes to the skills needed before 2030. Employers still prize human strengths: creative thinking, resilience, flexibility and agility.

"What can you do?"

Recruitment is becoming more skills-focused. Employers now look beyond "What qualifications do you have?" UK research shows they value practical skills and real work experience over the perceived prestige of where someone studied.







Assembly Message

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2026

Monday 16th to Friday 20th November

ANTI-BULLYING ALLIANCE

Student task Deadline for those who want to participate is 27th November. Submit to your tutor.



Need support?

ANTI-BULLYING ALLIANCE

If you are worried about bullying or something that is happening to you or someone else, you can speak to:

- Form tutor
- Head of year
- Designated safeguarding lead
- Wellbeing team – PSO/RSOs
- Trusted adult
- Parent/Carer

You do not have to deal with things on your own.

School Parliament

School Parliament Meeting 🗣️⭐

Our School Parliament will meet on Monday 16th November at 8:50am in Room 107.
Students will be discussing plans for our first Academic Rewards Evening, an exciting new event designed to recognise and celebrate the academic progress, hard work and achievements of our students. 🏆📚









Remembrance at WBS

On Wednesday 11th November, our school community came together to mark Remembrance Day with a short and moving service at the front of the school. From 10.30am, guests began to arrive and were warmly welcomed, with gentle background music setting a reflective tone. At 10.55am, everyone was welcomed to the service and reminded of the importance of coming together to remember.

At 11am, the eleven chimes of Big Ben rang out. As the final chime faded, The Last Post was played, and everyone stood together for the one-minute silence. The silence was brought to a close with the sound of cannon fire, followed by Reveille.

'In the Morning' was then read, and everyone joined together to say, "We will remember them." Wreaths were laid on behalf of WBS and the 318 Trust, followed by a heartfelt reading of 'For the Fallen'.

To close the service, guests were invited into school for refreshments, accompanied by live guitar music.

Thank you to everyone who took part and helped to make the morning so special, and to all our guests for joining us. It was a fitting tribute to all those who have served and given their lives, and a reminder of why we must never forget.

We will remember them.





Christmas Fair



Can you help support our Christmas Fair? 🎁
If WBS families are able to support us with donations of prizes, games, sweets or chocolates, we would be incredibly grateful. All donations will help us make the fair a fantastic experience for our students while raising money for our student rewards fund. Thank you for your support! ❤️





Chocolate donations





🍫 WE NEED CHOCOLATE... LOTS OF CHOCOLATE! 🍫

William Brookes School will once again be running our famous Chocolate Tombola at the Much Wenlock Christmas Fair on Saturday 5th December! 🎄🎅

We need your help to fill our stall with lots and lots of chocolate! 🍫🍫🍫
💰 The more chocolate we receive, the more we can raise for our Student Rewards Fund.

If you can support us, please send chocolate donations in with your child to hand to their tutor, or simply drop them off at Reception.

❤️ Thank you, as always, to our wonderful WBS families for your support!



Careers & Destinations

REACH

SPECIALIST SUPPORT

BELONG | ENGAGE | PROGRESS | PREPARE

Reach L.I.F.E

Living Independently Following Education

A post 16 pathway for young people with an EHCP, designed to build skills, confidence and independence for adulthood.

Qualifications

Functional Skills English & Maths (Entry 3 – Level 2) and accredited learning.

Vocational Learning Pathways

A range of practical courses based on interests, strengths and future goals.

Work Placements

Real world experience to build confidence, skills and employability.

Preparing for Adulthood

Developing the skills for independent living, employment, health and an active role in the community.

Post 16 Open Event

COME AND FIND OUT MORE ABOUT REACH L.I.F.E AND MEET THE TEAM.

Book Here

Wednesday 11th November

3.30pm – 7.00pm

Reach for Inclusion
5 Henry Close
Battlefield, Shrewsbury
SY1 3TJ

Tour our centre | Meet the team | Explore qualifications and vocational pathways | Ask questions and find out what's right for you

EVERYONE IS WELCOME
BRIGHTER FUTURES. TOGETHER.

What's on at The Edge

What's On at The Edge Arts Centre



National Theatre Live
Golden Boy (15)
Thursday 12 Nov 7pm
£12 (concessions £10)



The Classic Blues Show
Raw Power, Soul & Stories
Friday 13 Nov 7.30pm
£15



Monday Night Cinema
Finding Emily (12)
Monday 16 Nov 7.30pm
£6 (concessions £5)



Go West - We Close Our Eyes
An Intimate Evening with
Peter Cox
Thursday 19 Nov 7.30pm £30



Wenlock Jazz Ensemble
Sophisticated Popular Music
Friday 20 Nov 7.30pm
£15



'The Oratory'
A Chilling Tale from Weeping Bank
Saturday 21 Nov 7.30pm
£12



Monday Night Cinema
Howards End (PG)
Monday 23 Nov 7.30pm
£6 (concessions £5)



Front Row Comedy presents
Arthur Smith
Saturday 28 Nov 7.30pm
£16

The Edge Arts Centre

at William Brookes School

Box Office: Penny-Farthing, 5 The Square, Much Wenlock
Buy online at ticketsource.co.uk/edgeartscentre
Ticket line 0333 666 3366 during office hours
Join our mailing list at edgeartscentre.com

Community

📣 The Big Listen for Youth is live!

We'd love to hear from young people aged 11–25 across Shropshire about what it's really like growing up here.

· What do they enjoy?
· What can make life harder?
· What would they like to see more of?

· And what do they want adults and decision-makers to understand?
What young people tell us will help shape the work we're doing to strengthen Shropshire's offer for young people and inform what happens next.

If you work with young people, know young people, or have links with schools, groups or community organisations, please help us spread the word 💙

We are really keen to hear from a wide and diverse range of young people, including young people with SEND and those who may need additional support to have their voice heard.

🔗 Take part in the Big Listen: Shropshire Youth Offer 2026 Survey
If you'd like the survey in an alternative format, please use the email below to request a copy, or call our customer services team on 0345 678 9077 and explain any support you need to allow you to respond.

You can also respond with any comments in writing: · Email: TellUs@shropshire.gov.uk
· Post: Feedback and Insight Team, Shropshire Council, PO Box 4826, Shrewsbury SY1 9LJ
📣The more voices we hear, the better our understanding will be!