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**Warwick Bridge Primary School**  
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**Remembering Warwick Bridge Staff**

**Michelle Murray** – As the school term gets under way, we remember Mrs Murray who died exactly one year ago. It is incredible to think how quickly time has gone, but we remember her with affection for her wonderful contribution to the life of school and the lasting memories we will always have.

**Shirley Morris** – It is with sadness that we learnt about the recent death of Mrs Morris, our former school cook. Shirley worked for many years in the kitchens at Warwick Bridge School and always had a kind word to say to all pupils and staff. Our condolences to her family at this sad time.

**Class Base Changes**

Now that we are back into the swing of school, we have identified areas where we need to make some changes. Our EY Snowy Owls Class is quite a size after a number of new arrivals in school recently. We have therefore decided that they shall have the class base they occupy plus the class base our Year 1/2 Polar Bear Class has. Both Nursery and Reception pupils will be in these two class bases and can use the space this affords for their big numbers. This means that the Polar Bear Class will be moving to the room currently occupied by the Year 3/4 Arctic Wolves. The Polar Bear Class has 28 pupils so will be using the classroom at the front of school. The children in the Year 3/4 Arctic Wolves Class will move in to our IT suite which is not in use at the moment due to Covid-19 restrictions on room usage. This will become their class base. Staff hope to finalise these moves by the end of next week, 18<sup>th</sup> September. We will let you know about the new entrance/exit doors for these classes. We want to get this move done as soon as possible at the start of the school year so that the classes are settled before the end of the month. Our Narwhals and Arctic Wolves will not be affected by this move.

**Latest Covid-19 Guidance**

The latest government guidance on the return to school is available to read on the school website at:

[https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1048/1A\\_GOV.UK\\_COVID-19 -  
Guidance for full opening of schools - Rev 7 September 2020.pdf/](https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1048/1A_GOV.UK_COVID-19_-_Guidance_for_full_opening_of_schools_-_Rev_7_September_2020.pdf/)

Parents and carers can read more about the safe return to school at the Gov.uk website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term>

**TikTok Warning**

A warning was issued this week about a particularly unpleasant video that was being broadcast on the TikTok social media app. Please talk to your child about this if they have access to TikTok and emphasise the need for caution at all times. Parents and carers are advised to ensure children under 13 are not using this app. The guidance from '**Common Sense Media**' states that due to the mature nature of lyrics and content, it is advisable that children under 15 should not access the TikTok app. You can read more about this at:

<https://www.common sense media.org/blog/parents-ultimate-guide-to-tiktok#:~:text=TikTok%20requires%20that%20users%20be,plenty%20of%20young%20tween%20users.>

**Parent Governor Election**

Applications are invited for the post of parent governor at the school. Full information has been sent out in the form of an email, text and letter. If you are interested in joining our energetic and productive Governing Board, please look at the letter at: [https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1046/Parent Gov election 7 9 20.pdf/](https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1046/Parent_Gov_election_7_9_20.pdf/)

The application form can be found at: <https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/parents/forms/>

Please return all forms to Mrs Ridley in the office.

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### **Attendance**

Some excellent results for the first few days back – well done the Wolves and Narwhals – 100% each – fantastic!

<b><u>4.9.20</u></b>	<b><u>Snowy Owls</u></b>	<b><u>Polar Bears</u></b>	<b><u>Arctic Foxes</u></b>	<b><u>Arctic Wolves</u></b>	<b><u>Narwhals</u></b>	<b><u>School</u></b>
	97.1%	98.8%	100%	98.4%	100%	<b>98.8%</b>

### **PE Kits**

When your child has PE, please ensure that they have their PE kit on when they come to school. In this way we minimise any issues surrounding getting changed and the lesson can commence as soon as possible. PE kits have to be approved school PE kits.

### **Music**

Music lessons at school have now begun with woodwind, piano and guitar lessons planned. Letters have been sent out regarding this last week. If you would like your child to play an instrument at school, please get in touch with Mr Ashton.

### **Bike to School Week**

All cyclists will be pleased to know that Bike to School Week will run from 28<sup>th</sup> September to 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Children and family members are invited to cycle or scooter to school. More details about this will be in future newsletters.

### **School Photos**

This year's individual and sibling school photos will be taken on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September from 8.30am. These photos will be taken outside in the shelter next to the library. Siblings will also be photographed and all access is from the entrance on the right-hand side of school. A letter with all the details has been sent out and can be viewed on the school website at:

[https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1047/Photos\\_September\\_2020.pdf/](https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1047/Photos_September_2020.pdf)

### **Corby Hill Chapel Closure**

It is with regret that we learnt of the proposed closure of the Methodist Chapel at Corby Hill. This chapel has been the focal point of many Warwick Bridge School Christmas celebrations and carol concerts. We have many excellent memories of our time there and want to wish the congregation and Rev Rachel all the best for the future. A closing service will be held on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30pm. Due to the current restrictions attendance will be by invitation only.

Have a relaxing weekend

Mr M Ashton