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Back to School after Lockdown

We have now completed three weeks of schooling after the three months away from the classroom. We hope that all the pupils are now used to being back in school and have adapted once again to formal class teaching. Staff are also keenly aware that for some children this may take a bit of time, but we are sure that the pupils will show their resilience and adaptability in this situation. We are so pleased with how the classes have returned and look forward to the summer term when we can have a term in school.

Assessments – Summer 2021

The government has announced that there will be no national assessments held during the summer 2021 term. The following assessments for summer 2021 have been cancelled:

- end of key stage 1 and key stage 2 assessments (including tests and teacher assessment)
- phonics screening check
- Year 4 multiplication tables check (voluntary)
- science sampling tests
- all statutory trialling

Schools have been given the option to carry out the Year 4 multiplication tables check to ready themselves for its introduction in the summer of 2022. Doing the test at WBS will also enable staff to see how it is to be administered. Results of how the pupils fare in this test will only be know in schools and for the parents/carers of these children. More details will be sent out in the summer term. Staff will also be carrying out the usual internal assessments of all pupils so we can look at how they have progressed during the past academic year lockdown notwithstanding.

Attendance

Well done to the Year 3/4 Arctic Foxes for their super attendance last week. A number of pupils succumbed to sneezes and colds in our younger classes. We hope that this won't last too long.

<u>19.3.21</u>	<u>Snowy Owls</u>	<u>Polar Bears</u>	<u>Arctic Foxes</u>	<u>Arctic Wolves</u>	<u>Narwhals</u>	<u>School</u>
	88.3%	93.7%	98.8%	91.9%	95.7%	93.9%

Year 6 Transition to High School

WBS has been contacted by a number of high schools to start the process of transition for the Year 6 pupils. Parents and carers will also be contacted as the time for moving schools comes ever closer. William Howard School have set the day of Monday 5th July for the Y6 pupils to spend the whole day there. This will be our 'Move Up Monday' at WBS when pupils spend time with their Class Teacher for 2021-22. On Tuesday 6th July William Howard School will hold the Year 6 Transition Day. All Y6 pupils from Warwick Bridge will spend the whole day at William Howard involved in sports, science and the arts.

Brampton Area Action Group

Brampton Area Action Group want to let parents and carers know that they now have a website for the Brampton Area Action Group. You can find this at: www.bramptonareaactiongroup.co.uk

BAAG is going to be closed over the long Easter weekend to give the volunteers a break, but they will still be providing meals to those in need and the Helpdesk will remain open with an answer machine and call back service. They are trying hard to help people before it gets to an emergency situation, but understand life doesn't always go to plan so want to assure everyone that, as we move out of lockdown, they will continue to ensure people get a helping hand when required. Anyone needing help can just give the Helpdesk a ring on 016979 27005/6. If you have any questions please contact them on this number.

Guitars at Warwick Bridge School

Mr Draper teaches guitar on a Friday morning at school. As next week will be Good Friday, April 2nd, pupils will not be in school. Mr Draper will therefore teach next week's guitar lessons on Monday 29th March. Please ensure that children have their guitars in school for this lesson. After the return to school for the summer term, guitar lessons will once again be held on a Friday with Mr Draper.

WBS - Working, Believing, Succeeding – A Wonderful Bridge to Success

Warwick Bridge School Song

We are very pleased to announce that the school is once again looking to produce a song involving as many people from the school community as possible. In the same way as the *Handwash Song* involved children and adults, we want to get you participating in the latest musical venture. The new song is to the tune of the **Addams Family** and has been written especially for the school. We want to get children and adults involved. You can find out information by visiting the school's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/3061544413909512>

Sustrans Big Pedal 2021

This year's Big pedal from Sustrans will start on April 19th. This is the day we return to school after the Easter break. It is the first day of the summer term and what better way to celebrate the arrival of summer than getting active on our bicycles, feet and scooters. Children and adults are invited to use their bicycles, scooters or just walking, to travel to and from school each day. It's a great way to stay fit and active. There is an informative video for you to watch with the whole family from Sustrans at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BQLGK_Ek_qY We hope that as many people as possible can join in this fun activity. Sustrans have also created an information letter for all families, which gives everyone the details of what is happening with the Big Pedal 2021 and how we are all keeping the Big Pedal safe during the Covid-19 outbreak. You can read this letter on the Warwick Bridge School website at:

https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1228/flexible-big-pedal-info-sheetv2_eng.pdf/

Donations for Eden Valley Hospice

Mrs Yvonne Petry has contacted school this week and she is collecting donations for Eden Valley Hospice at Down-a-Gate. These donations should be made up of clothes, bric-a-brac etc. Yvonne's contact details to arrange drop off of the articles are: yvonne.downagate@gmail.com or telephone her on 01228 560810. We hope that you are able to support this good cause.

End of Spring Term

Please note that the spring term ends on Thursday 1st April. This is the last day of the spring term. Friday 2nd April is Good Friday marking the start of the Easter weekend. Please make sure you have reminded your child to bring home all items and equipment from their locker. Thank you for your cooperation in this.

All the best for the weekend.

Mr M Ashton