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The first half-term has now come to an end. The past weeks of school seem to have flown by and it is quite amazing that we are now a sixth of the way through the school year. We hope that everyone has settled into the structure of schooling, especially after the disruption of the past two years. Most children have not had a full year at school now for two academic years. Everyone at Warwick Bridge School has had a very productive first few weeks at school and is looking forward to the half-term break.

Staffing News

Mis Metcalfe in our Reception class will be moving on at the end of term. From January 2022 she will be working at Shankhill Primary School. We wish her well in her new role and thank her for all her hard work in Early Years. Replacing Miss Metcalfe in EY will be Mrs Taylor who has been working in the Y2/3 and Y3/4 classes. With Miss Day returning to school in January 2022, Mrs Taylor will move to the EY and work with Mrs Douglass and our youngest pupils.

Family Fun Days at Carlisle Cathedral

Sarah Cameron at Carlisle Cathedral has sent through some information regarding family fun days at this historic place of worship. Sarah sends the following message:

Join us this October Half Term at Carlisle Cathedral for lots of family fun!

Activities this holiday:

This October Half Term we are running two activities in the Undercroft for families. Sessions last 1 hour and cost £5 per table so why not bring the whole family. Our Clay workshop has now sold out.

- Thursday 28th October- Create your own Green Man Mask and see if you can find the Green Man in the Cathedral. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/october-half-term-green-man-masks-tickets-168566867037>

Free things to do:

- Visit our Cathedral for free and pick up one of our children trails to help you explore and learn more about the Cathedral. We are open 7:30am to 5pm.
- Download free colouring sheets for those rainy days by visiting <https://carlislecathedral.org.uk/families/>.

Cumbria Boxes of Hope

All children have received a letter and leaflet regarding this year’s Cumbria Boxes of Hope Christmas appeal. Over the half-term, pupils are invited to fill a shoebox with suitable items for a child of the same age who will most probably receive very little this Christmas. These shoeboxes will be sent to Romania where they will provide festive cheer for families who are in need. Please make sure that you read the leaflet carefully – there is a donation of £2.50 per box that covers transport costs. Please use the label that indicates if the box is for a boy or girl. The leaflet explains what items you should and should NOT include. Please wrap the box in Christmas paper and secure with an elastic band before returning them to school. The boxes will then be picked up from school on the 10th November and be taken to the sorting depot in Kendal. Thank you very much for all your help.

Attendance

There are two weeks of attendance figures here. Well done to the Phoenix and Dragon classes for having the highest percentages in the past two weeks. A few classes have been affected by one or two bugs that have been going around so we hope that everyone is better and ready for school soon.

<u>8.10.21</u>	<u>Little Trolls</u>	<u>Gnomes</u>	<u>Dragons</u>	<u>Phoenix</u>	<u>Griffins</u>	<u>School</u>
	92.2%	88.9%	93.3%	94.9%	88.2%	91.5%
<u>15.10.21</u>	90.3%	89.4%	97.8%	94.9%	94.7%	93.2%

Football News

CUFC Football Training – CUFC coaches are holding training sessions over the October half-term. These are being run by the CUFC Community Sports Trust. To enrol on the course telephone: 01228 554169. You can also contact the coaches online. Email soccerschools@carlisleunitedcst.co.uk. The website is www.officialsoccerschools.co.uk.

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Art Week

All the pupils loved Art Week in school. There was a wide variety of artistic styles and artists for the children to explore. Thank you for all the wonderful donations you have made for the art. These were taken during this week's consultation evenings. The total of the funds raised through the sale of this art was **£90.44**. Thank you very much for your donations. We hope that your child's art will make a valuable impact on your home decor. There are a number of different displays of pupils' art around school at the moment. Miss Stobbs has been very busy collating the work and ensuring that it is presented really well to liven up the school corridors.

Poppy Appeal

The Royal British Legion is once again selling poppies and other items to raise funds in remembrance of the fallen from different conflicts. From Monday 1st November, children can bring in their poppy donation as well as money for other items: zip pulls and reflectors are 50p, wristbands are £1 and snap bands are £1.50. Enamel poppy badges are also available. Thank you in advance for your support.

Play in a Day

On Thursday this week, we were joined by Lisa from the Lynx Theatre Company. She came in to lead our annual 'Play in a Day' presentation. All our Year 6 children took part in this and were able to perform in front of the whole school and their own families. This year's play was inspired by space and was a very interesting production. Well done to all our Year 6 pupils.

Toddlers Activities

Toddler Group - Mrs Reid and a number of other school staff have enjoyed welcoming the youngsters and adults back again to school and setting out the activities for everyone to enjoy. The next Toddler session will be held on **Tuesday 30th November from 1.30pm – 2.45 pm**. Please contact school if you would like to attend.

Toddlers and Action Ants – We invite Toddlers of 18+ months to join in with Lee from Action Ants on the afternoon of **Thursday 25th November**. The session will start at 2pm and costs £3 per child. The session will finish at 2.45pm. Adults are welcome to accompany children with the PE activities. Each child must be accompanied by a parent or carer.

Harvest Gifts

Reverend Graeme Skinner has asked the school to pass on his thanks for the wonderful gifts that were brought in by pupils for our Harvest Festival celebration. He has taken them into Carlisle and they are to be distributed amongst the needy of the city. They are indeed very welcome gifts for those in need.

Friends of Warwick Bridge School News

The FOWBS are holding two autumn discos for all children on **Thursday November 4th** at Down-a-gate Community Centre. The first disco for EY and KS1 (Nursery – Year 2) pupils will run from 4-5pm. KS2 (Year 3 – 6) children will have their disco from 5.15-6.30pm. Tickets will be available in the coming weeks. We look forward to a very successful evening.

Have a great weekend and a lovely half-term break

Mr M Ashton