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Covid Update

Many thanks to all parents and carers who have supported the school and the actions introduced to combat the outbreak during the past two weeks. We are all looking forward to next week when school can get back to normal. A number of parents have contacted school to thank us for the actions we took and we appreciate this support at a very difficult time. Please remain vigilant and if your child has any of the signs of being unwell, think carefully and ensure the correct tests are carried out. Breakfast and After School Club will recommence from Monday 29th November along with all the school clubs that have not functioned for the past two weeks.

Attendance

The past week was not the best for attendance. We had many pupils isolating and also waiting for test results. Well done to the EY children who had the best attendance for this week.

<u>19.11.21</u>	<u>Little Trolls</u>	<u>Gnomes</u>	<u>Dragons</u>	<u>Phoenix</u>	<u>Griffins</u>	<u>School</u>
	89.8%	87.9%	83.2%	74.7%	80.1%	83.5%

Cumbria Holiday Activity Programme

The [Cumbria Holiday Activity Programme](#) has launched its official winter offer. From this week, the offer will be exclusively open to children with a Free School Meal entitlement. Children with a Free School Meal entitlement will be able to book activities for FREE using the code **HAF 1**. From the 25th of November onwards, the offer will be opened up to encompass [all eligible children](#), with some activities also being available to book (for a cost) for non-eligible children / young people. There is a leaflet available that explains all the parts of this holiday programme and you can access this by clicking on this link: <https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1342/10. Holiday Activity Leaflet Carlisle.pdf/> Visit cumbria.gov.uk/holidays for further information about the programme and to search the range of activities on offer.

Toddlers Activities

Unfortunately, we had to cancel this week’s Toddler Action Ants session. We will rearrange this session for the new year. The Toddler session on Tuesday 30th November has also been cancelled. Mrs Reid and staff look forward to welcoming everyone back at Toddlers in January 2022. Future dates will be made available very soon.

Film Night – Thursday December 2nd 5 – 7.45pm

Warwick Bridge School staff are please to say that the popular Thursday Film Night is back on this year. The film night is on so that adults can go late night shopping on the Thursday (or have some free time) whilst pupils are watching the films at school. **The film night is open to all pupils in KS1 and KS2 (Y1-6)**. We plan to show two films for the different year groups. There will also be snacks and hot chocolate for all pupils. A letter about the film night has been sent out today. Please sign and return the form along with the £1 donation.

Friends of Warwick Bridge School news

The Christmas Fair is still due to take place on **Monday 6th December**. Children will be meeting Santa in the afternoon and then we hope to see as many people as possible in school from 3pm when there will be lots of activities for everyone to take part in. Thank you to all the FOWBS parents and carers who are arranging the Fair. In order to have prizes for the tombola store, we are having a **non-uniform day on Monday 29th November**. All pupils can wear appropriate non-uniform clothes if they bring in a prize for the tombola stall.

Reindeer Run for Jigsaw Children’s Hospice

WBS is proud to support the fundraising campaign by Jigsaw Children’s Hospice in Carlisle. All our children are able to take part in this. They will be invited to wear festive reindeer antlers and run a short distance at school. We have received the following message from Vicki Lesley, the fundraiser at Jigsaw: ***Jigsaw is a place of fun and laughter where children and young adults can stay and create memories which will last a lifetime. We provide one to one care for children and young adults with life limiting illnesses, with the facility for up to five children and young adults for day support, with 2 able to stay for overnight and respite care. Our home from home environment allows the nurses to match the children and young adults home routines as closely as possible, ensuring a smooth, relaxing and peaceful transition between home and hospice environments. The children will each receive a sponsor form but we understand that you may prefer not to deal with cash, so we have created an online donation page specifically for our Reindeer Run! Your school has its very own page, with your logo where***

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provided to stand out, which families can find on our website through the following link: <https://jigsawhospice.org/support-us/fundraise/the-reindeer-run-donations>. We have created a video for you to show the children what their hard earned funds will do, you can view it here: <https://www.jigsawhospice.org/support-us/fundraise/reindeer-run>

Christmas Performances

At the time of writing, all Christmas performances are scheduled to take place on the following dates:

- Carol Concert – Thursday 9th December at 5pm
- Early Years Nativity (Nursery and Reception) – Friday 10th December at 9.15am
- Griffins (Y5/6) – Monday 13th December at 1.45pm
- Phoenix (Y3/4) – Tuesday 14th December at 1.45pm
- Dragons and Gnomes (Y2/3 and Y1 combined) – Wednesday 15th December at 1.45pm

To allow required spacing between the audience, only two family members per child will be allowed to watch the performances.

This is not the ideal way to do this, but in doing so we can minimise the risk of close-contact transmissions.

Please be aware that the safety of our students, staff and wider school community is of the upmost importance to us, therefore we may have to change or cancel the events at short notice if we are advised to do so by public health.

Warwick Bridge Scarecrow Trail 2021

This year's Warwick Bridge, Corby Hill and Little Corby scarecrow trail starts this weekend and runs until Sunday the 5th December. Nearly fifty houses have made a scarecrow and they will be exhibited in gardens, on the walls and in a variety of novel places. Warwick Bridge School has also joined in the fun with a marvellous scarecrow creation following the school's mythical beast theme. Maps with locations of the scarecrows cost £2 and can be purchased from Sally's, the Co-op, the BP garage and the Queen's pub at Warwick-on-Eden. We hope that you have fun spotting the scarecrows.

Christmas Trips

FOWBS have kindly purchased tickets for pupils from Nursery to Year 2 to attend the Sands performance of Cinderella. A separate letter will follow. Pupils from Year 3 to Year 6 will be going to Theatre by the Lake in January 2022.

Have a very enjoyable weekend

Mr M Ashton