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We are now in the final half-term of the school year. It seems incredible to think that the academic year is coming to an end and September seems to be such a long time ago now. We have a very busy few weeks ahead of us with trips, visits and activities for all classes. We look forward to another productive time for everyone at school.

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Downagate – Thank you to everyone who came to the Warwick Bridge Platinum Jubilee celebrations on Saturday 4th June. The choir sang really well aided by onlookers and a few extra pupils from the school. The sun shone and the whole event was memorable in that it was a once in a lifetime happening that we are all privileged to be part of.

All pupils have also received a Platinum Jubilee commemorative mug courtesy of the Friends of Warwick Bridge School. We hope that the children take good care of them in the years to come.

Football Tournament

This morning, our footballers in Key Stage 2 took part in a tournament down at Harraby. They played on the 3G artificial pitches and did the school proud with their energy and enthusiasm. The team did brilliantly reaching the final after winning five out of six games. They were narrowly beaten 2-0 by Austin Friars in the final and each received a medal for their efforts. The school would like to thank Kelvin Broatch for coaching the team and preparing everyone for the games. Well done to the squad for their effort and enthusiasm in all the matches – you did Warwick Bridge School proud.

Attendance

What a fantastic week for our youngest pupils! They have the best attendance for the last week of the first half-term this summer. Well done to all of you.

<u>27.5.22</u>	<u>Little Trolls</u>	<u>Gnomes</u>	<u>Dragons</u>	<u>Phoenix</u>	<u>Griffins</u>	<u>School</u>
	99.2%	85.9%	95.3%	96.3%	86.7%	93.6%

FOWBS News

School Discos – Many thanks to FOWBS for organising the two discos this week. The children had a great time in both the Nursery – Y2 disco and the Y3 – Y6 one later on. A total of £175 was raised for FOWBS funds.

Father’s Day - We are having our annual Father’s Day stall in school on Friday 17th June. Children are invited to bring in no more than £5 for the stall so they are able to purchase a suitable gift for their father, grandfather, uncle or any other significant male in their life. Thank you to FOWBS for organising the Father’s Day stall.

Sponsored Bounce – This year’s Sponsored Bounce will take place on Friday 24th June from 9am in school. All pupils will be taking part and we are once again very grateful for the efforts and organisation of FOWBS.

Summer Fair – This year’s FOWBS Summer Fair takes place on Saturday 9th July. There will be a football competition in the morning and in the afternoon lots of stalls and activities will take place on the school grounds. We are always looking for help and assistance at this time so please contact school to offer your services in any way to help this fundraising event be a great success.

Year 6 News

We were pleased to welcome Mr Anderson from William Howard School this week. He spoke with all the pupils who are going there in September. The children asked lots of questions and found out about William Howard from a key

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teacher. The Year 6 children all received their leaver hoodies today. They are able to wear these every day now and it is great to see a splash of colour in their hoodies as they move around school.

Do I qualify for free school meals and school clothing vouchers?

Free school meals and clothing vouchers are available for your child(ren) if you receive one of the following qualifying benefits:

- Income Support (IS)
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA)
- An income related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs) that as of April 2012 does not exceed £16,190. Note: From 1st May 2009 where you are entitled to Working Tax Credit during the four week period immediately after your employment ceases, or after you start to work less than 16 hours per week, your children are entitled to Free School Meals, this may be extended
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Universal Credit

If you receive working tax credits you may not be eligible for free school meals or clothing grants.

Children who receive Income Support or Income Based Jobseekers Allowance in their own right are also entitled to receive free school meals.

Free schools meals are available to statutory school aged children attending full time education (full days only 9am to 3pm), excluding private nurseries and further education colleges.

How do I apply?

Please Note: All children who currently receive free school meals and clothing grants do not need to apply each year.

- Where possible all parents and guardians should [apply online](#) - you will receive an immediate response advising you whether you are eligible or not
- If you are unable to apply online please contact the free school meals team - telephone: **01228 606060**

Healthy Start Scheme

Eligible families in Cumbria are being encouraged to apply for free vitamins and help with the cost of food and milk as part of the Healthy Start scheme.

The Healthy Start scheme has two elements to it. The first element is a prepaid card worth up to £8.50 per week to spend on fresh produce such as cow's milk, fresh, frozen, or tinned fruit and vegetables, infant formula milk and fresh, dried, and tinned pulses. To be eligible for the prepaid card you need to be in receipt of certain state benefits or pregnant and under 18. Check out the full eligibility criteria on the [Cumbria Healthy Start scheme webpage](#).

The second element of the scheme offers free vitamins to pregnant women and mothers for up to six months after birth (if breastfeeding or dual feeding) as well as vitamin drops for children up until the age of four. Vitamins for pregnant women will initially be distributed by Midwives and Health Visitors during their early visits.

To find out more about Cumbria's Healthy Start Scheme, how to apply for a Healthy Start pre-paid card and which community venues you can collect vitamins from, visit the Cumbria County Council website:

<https://cumbria.gov.uk/publichealth/cumbriahealthystartscheme.asp>

All the best for the weekend

Mr M Ashton