

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

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Cycle to School Week

This year's Cycle to School Week starts on Monday 3rd October. Pupils, parents, carers and staff are all invited to get on their bikes and cycle to school for the next week. If you can't manage the whole journey, try cycling for a short part of your journey if your bikes are able to fit into your car. We hope to see as many as possible coming on bikes. If you cannot manage a bike, use your scooter instead. Anything to help you to keep fit and healthy.

Attendance

Well done again to our Year 4 pupils for winning the attendance trophy for the second week in a row. This is a very good result for all of you.

	Bumblebees	Ladybirds	Butterflies	Grasshoppers	Dragonflies	<u>School</u>
<u>23.9.22</u>	82.9%	89.7%	90.9%	97.2%	93.6%	91.6%

Harvest Festival 2022

Children from Warwick Bridge School have been invited to St Paul's Holme Eden Church for a special 'Explore Harvest' opportunity. This will take place on **Thursday 6th October**. Each class will walk down to the church and will take part in an exploration of what Harvest festival is all about. Rev Sarah will be there to talk with the children and she will be joined by a team of volunteers from St Paul's. Then on **Thursday 13th October**, we shall be celebrating the Harvest Festival here at school with a special assembly. Rev Sarah will join us again and children are invited to bring in their harvest gifts of food and toiletries. Please ensure that all food is within the best before date. Pasta, tins and packets are often a better alternative to fresh food. Thank you in advance for your donations which will all go to the Carlisle food bank.

Governor Vacancy

Warwick Bridge School invites applications from all eligible adults for the post of School Governor. The role of a School Governor enables people to become involved in the life of the school and help in achieving the best for the whole school community. The Governing Board is a friendly team and at present has vacancies for two governors. These vacancies are not Parent Governor vacancies. Please contact Mrs Ridley in the school office for more information. We also have a poster on our website at: https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1475/Recruitment_Poster.pdf/

Boxes of Hope

Once again the school is participating in the Christmas Boxes of Hope Cumbria Christmas shoebox appeal. Children are asked to bring in a shoebox wrapped in Christmas paper. Please make sure the box is filled with appropriate items for either a boy or girl aged 4-11yrs. In the coming days, a leaflet will be sent home as you will need to enclose £2.50 to pay for the transportation costs. Further details are to be found at: http://www.boxesofhopecumbria.co.uk/.

Friends of Warwick Bridge School (FOWBS)

FOWBS are holding their AGM on Monday 3rd October. The meeting will start at 7.30pm and will take place in school. The Committee is always looking for new members and they would love to see as many people as possible at the meeting. The group is very informal and everyone helps one another organise the events and fetes that are a regular occurrence at WBS. Please come along on Monday 3rd October and see how you can be part of this energetic and enthusiastic organisation.

Covid Update

As we are sure you are aware, Covid 19 is still a very present illness that is affecting many people. Some parents and carers are looking after children with Covid and are asking about how long the children should be off school for. The guidance states that *'If your child tests positive for Covid 19 they should stay off school for at least three days. Day 0 is counted as the first day they test positive'.* For the full guidance with this please look on the school website at the address: https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1485/25963 COVID Poster for Parents.pdf/

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Year 4 and 5 Pupils Cyclewise

We had a great week with the pupils in Years 4 and 5 taking part in the Cyclewise activities with Robin. Children learned about the basic maintenance of a bike as well as road safety techniques. Children in Y5 had the opportunity to cycle for a short way on the A69 accompanied by two adults. We hope that the children, and their families, will look to do as much cycling as possible in the coming weeks, especially at weekends when the opportunities for family days out are there.

Feet First

All pupils are invited to join in with this year's Feet First scheme. Each child who takes part will receive a bookmark and stickers to add when they complete an active journey to school. They will also receive a hi-vis snap band. These will be handed out from Monday 3rd October.

Cost of Living Support

Cumbria County Council has a Focus Family Team that includes DWP Employment Advisors who offer a full welfare benefit health check to ensure that the families are receiving all benefits that they are entitled to as well as other services. Please see the information below outlining how the Focus Family Team are able to help families and professionals with a wide range of financial and welfare support.

Focus Family leaflet

 <u>DWP Supporting Families Team flyer</u> If you would like to know more, please contact: <u>Focus.Family@cumbria.gov.uk</u>

Have a very pleasant weekend

Mr M Ashton