

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

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Welcome back to school after the half-term break. We all hope that you managed to have a restful time and are looking forward to the coming weeks and months at Warwick Bridge School. As the days become shorter, we concentrate on lots of seasonal activities and ensure that we take the children outside as much as possible. We hope that they, and you, enjoy this time of year as much as we do.

## Attendance

Well done to all our pupils in Years 2 and 3. The Butterfly Class has done exceedingly well and has the highest attendance in school. Congratulations to all of you for this end of the half-term success. Just under 98% is excellent!

	Bumblebees	, Ladybirds	<b>Butterflies</b>	Grasshoppers	<b>Dragonflies</b>	<u>School</u>
<u>21.10.22</u>	91.7%	84.4%	97.9%	94.1%	93.3%	93.2%

### Netball News

Well done to our netballers who went to the William Howard School High Five Netball Tournament. They played against a host of other schools from the local cluster and all our participants did very well indeed. The team won quite a few games and scored a number of great goals. Thank you to Mrs Taylor and Miss James for coaching the team and to Mrs Kelly for taking the pupils to WHS.

### Open Afternoon

On **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November**, we invite you all to come in to school for the afternoon to see what the children are doing at Warwick Bridge. The Open Afternoon will start at 1.30 pm until 3.00 pm. All classes will be taking part. Come and join your child/ren in class and see what they have been learning. We are especially keen to see the families of the younger children and those parents/carers of children not of school age. Come to see how the Warwick Bridge School Nursery and Reception classes work and the exciting activities they take part in. We look forward to seeing you there!

More information at: https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1496/Open\_afternoon\_10.11. 2022\_Final.pdf/

### Friends of Warwick Bridge School Discos

Thank you to everyone who attended the two discos this week on Thursday night. We had a very good turn out and all the children really enjoyed themselves. Thank you to all our FOWBS committee and helpers for putting on such an excellent evening's entertainment. We hope that all the children enjoyed themselves too. There is a meeting of FOWBS at 7.30am here at WBS on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November. Please come and see how you can help in FOWBS activities.

### E Safety Newsletter

This month's E safety newsletter is now available to download on the school website. You can view the newsletter at: <a href="https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1500/3">https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1500/3</a>. Online Safety Newsletter Primary November 2022.pdf/<br/>There are particularly interesting articles on Roblox and the social media platform Yubo that will be helpful to adults and children alike.

### Fostering in Cumbria

There is an urgent need for more foster carers in Cumbria. To this end, Cumbria County Council is organising a **Let's Talk About Fostering** event. This will take place at the library in The Lanes shopping centre in Carlisle on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November from 11am to 1pm. Details about how to become part of fostering in Cumbria can be found at <u>www.cumbria.gov.uk/fostering</u>. There is also a virtual fostering event online on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November from 6.30-7.30pm. You can also contact Claire Crisp Communications and Engagement Officer – Fostering Service. Tel: 07825842120 Email: <u>Claire.crisp@cumbria.gov.uk</u>

### Toddler Come and Play

We are very pleased to invite families of children 0-4yrs to our new Toddler Come and Play sessions. The first one of these took place at 1.30-2.30pm on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November** and was very successful. Miss Brough will be leading the sessions with other Warwick Bridge School staff in attendance. We plan to have these sessions in the Nursery where there is the space and resources for the children to play and explore. These sessions are free and children will have a drink and biscuit during the afternoon. The next Come and Play session will take place on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December**. We look forward to seeing you and your child/ren at these afternoons.

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### **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. The deadline for boxes to be in school has been extended to <u>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November</u>. Further details are to be found at: <u>http://www.boxesofhopecumbria.co.uk/</u>. Thank you to all pupils who have brought their Box of Hope and £2.50 postage money.

### **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: <a href="https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1475/Recruitment\_Poster.pdf/">https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1475/Recruitment\_Poster.pdf/</a>

### Free School Meals

The Local Authority have contacted school in regard to making sure that everyone who is entitled to a Free school Meal (FSM) is getting one. To this end, the LA have issued an FSM letter with details about how to apply. You can find this letter on the school website at <a href="https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1497/Encouraging Parents to Apply for FSM.pdf/">https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1497/Encouraging Parents to Apply for FSM.pdf/</a> Even if your child receives Universal Free School Meals, you will receive other benefits if they are eligible for FSM.

### Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2022

Up until Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November, children and staff will be able to purchase poppies for the annual Remembrance Day Appeal. We will be selling poppies plus other Remembrance Day items. Children can also purchase reflectors, snap-bands and other items priced £1-£1.50.

### Football at Lunchtime

As the field is getting wetter, all footballers will need to have <u>a complete change of clothes</u> to play football at lunchtime on the grass. Football will be played until 12.50pm each day and then pupils will have to go in to change. No PE kits are to be worn. The reason for a complete change of clothing is because the school is now becoming quite dirty with the muddy footwear after dinnertime and lots of school uniform is getting very dirty as a result of playing on the grass. Please remember kits – otherwise you will not be able to play football at lunchtime.

#### Upcoming Events at WBS

Monday 7th NovemberFOWBS meeting 7.30 pmTuesday 8th NovemberY4, 5 and 6 Orian Smoothie Bike afternoon.Thursday 10th NovemberWarwick Bridge School Open Afternoon 1.30pmFriday 11th NovemberRemembrance Assembly 10.45am

Have a relaxing weekend

Mr M Ashton