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Remembrance

We had a special Remembrance Day assembly today which was led by our Year 6 pupils. Thank you to those adults who could attend. Armistice Day is a very special day for everyone to remember what has happened not just years ago, but what is happening now in some parts of the world. We have been selling poppies and other Remembrance items in aid of the British Legion and we will let you know how much we have raised.

Attendance

Well done to all our pupils in every class. This has been a fantastic week and one of the best this term. It is good to see each class achieve over 95% and a big well done to our younger children in Reception who have the top attendance at 99%.

	<u>Bumblebees</u>	<u>Ladybirds</u>	<u>Butterflies</u>	<u>Grasshoppers</u>	<u>Dragonflies</u>	<u>School</u>
<u>4.11.22</u>	99%	97%	96%	95%	96.7%	96.9%

RotaKids News

The RotaKids had a great Bonfire Biscuit sale on Friday 4th November. Each class came out at the end of the school day and were able to partake in a sweet treat. Thank you to all families who gave money to each child in order for them to take part in this activity. In all, the RotaKids raised £77. This will be given to Jigsaw Children's Hospice in Carlisle. The RotaKids will also be raising money at stalls during the FOWBS Christmas Fair. This money will be for FOWBS funds.

Open Afternoon

Thank you to everyone who came to the school's Open Afternoon. It was good to see people in school and we hope that you had a very satisfying visit. It is good for adults to see how we operate in school and we like to see as many people as possible come in to school. Let us know if you have any feedback about the afternoon.

Friends of Warwick Bridge School News

Christmas Extravaganza FOWBS has organised a Christmas Extravaganza on **Thursday 17th November** here at Warwick Bridge School. The doors will open at 6pm and there will be over twenty tables at which a host of great gift ideas will be displayed. There will be refreshments too. Entry is £2 for adults and free for children. Your entry fee will allow you to have your first drink and biscuit free of charge. We look forward to seeing as many people as possible at this important fundraising event.

Christmas Fair The Christmas Fair will take place on **Tuesday 6th December** in the school hall. Santa will be there to meet all the children and perhaps offer gifts out? To help with the Fair, we will be having a non-uniform day on **Friday 2nd December** when children can bring in a prize for the Tombola.

FOWBS would also like to let you know that the two school discos last week raised a total of £352 for FOWBS funds. Thank you everyone for your very kind support.

Children in Need – Friday 18th November

This year's Children in Need is billed as a SPOTacular event. We will be celebrating the day by asking children and adults to wear something spotty, dotted and colourful. Please do not feel like you have to go out and buy anything special to wear – a bright, colourful outfit is absolutely fine to be worn in school. In return, please can you bring in a donation of between 50p - £1. All monies will go directly to Children in Need.

Reverend Sarah

Reverend Sarah will be in school on **Monday 5th December** for the 11am Christingle Service. We are all looking forward to seeing her and after we all go to St Paul's for the *Experience Christmas* day, Reverend Sarah will be moving on to a new parish. We will miss her and all she has done at WBS. Everyone in the whole school community wishes Reverend Sarah all the best in her new role and thank her for work here at school.

Toddler Come and Play

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

Thank you to everyone who came to the *Come and Play* toddler session last week. It was a great success and wonderful to see people and their youngsters. The next Come and Play session will take place on **Thursday 15th December**. We look forward to seeing you and your child/ren then.

Police Dog Assembly

On **Tuesday 15th November**, Cumbria Police will be visiting school to talk to the children about their role in the community. They will also be bringing along some of their working dogs to showcase their role in the Police. The dogs will be in the assembly hall and one dog will demonstrate how they work with their handler outside. Pupils will be able to see this in action.

Wrap Up Cumbria

Our Rotary link member, Mr Ian Forth, has told the RotaKids about a rotary activity that aims to provide coats to low income families and people this winter. The Wrap Up Cumbria group aims to collect unwanted thick, warm winter coats to distribute to local charities, individuals and families in need. Lots of information can be found at <https://wrapupuk.org/how-you-coat-helps/>. Please bring in your unwanted coats and Mr Forth will pick them up next Thursday at school. RotaKids will coordinate the collection in school.

Boxes of Hope

Thank you for the Boxes of Hope from those who brought them in to school. They were collected this week and will be taken to Romania where they will bring some joy to a number of children and families there.

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/

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 https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1497/Encouraging_Parents_to_Apply_for_FSM.pdf/. Even if your child receives Universal Free School Meals, you will receive other benefits if they are eligible for FSM.

Football at Lunchtime

As the field is getting wetter, all footballers will need to have **a complete change of clothes** 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

Tuesday 15th November Police Dog Handler assembly
Thursday 17th November FOWBS Christmas Extravaganza
Friday 18th November Children in Need

Enjoy the weekend

Mr M Ashton