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Illness in School

Last week the newsletter gave information about the risk of different illnesses in school. This appears to be a city-wide issue with many schools suffering absences because of illness. At Warwick Bridge we have had staff absence through Covid this week and we hope that we will not see that repeated in the coming weeks, especially at this time of year. We ask all families to remain vigilant and look for the tell-tale signs of Covid or any other illnesses in the family.

Attendance

There have been some significant absences in the attendance figures for last week. We hope to see an improvement in the coming days. But other classes have done very well with a close race between Y4 and Y5/6 pupils. Well done, Grasshoppers.

	<u>Bumblebees</u>	<u>Ladybirds</u>	<u>Butterflies</u>	<u>Grasshoppers</u>	<u>Dragonflies</u>	<u>School</u>
25.11.22	81.4%	85.2%	94.7%	95.9%	95.3%	91.6%

Reindeer Run for Jigsaw Children's Hospice Carlisle

Well done to all our Reindeer Runners who did very well with Lee this week. The Runs have been completed and we are very pleased with the donations we have received. At the time of writing, the online total is a very creditable £170 – thank you to everyone who has made donations and supportive comments. There is still the opportunity for people to donate online at: <https://jigsawhospice.org/support-us/the-reindeer-run-donations-2022>. Please pass this on to family and friends so that they can make a donation. Thank you for your support.

Friends of Warwick Bridge School News

Christmas Fair The Christmas Fair will take place after school 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 had a non-uniform day today when children brought in a prize for the Tombola. Thank you very much for your contributions. If you can help in any way at the Fair, please contact school or Anna Murray who is the Chair of FOWBS.

Christingle

The school Christingle will take place at 11am on **Monday 5th December**. The service will be led by Rev Sarah. Please can parents/carers provide an orange for your child/ren. We will also look at getting oranges provided from other places. Volunteers from St Paul's Church will be in school on the morning of the 5th December to help the children make the Christingles. Parents and carers are welcome to join us at 11am for the Christingle service in the hall.

Christmas Concerts

School Christmas Concert – This will take place on **Thursday 8th December at 5pm** in the school hall. We will have the choir singing and poetry readers performing. All family and friends are welcome to attend. Children should arrive at school no earlier than 4.45pm.

Carlisle Cathedral Light Up A Life Service – The choir will be performing at Carlisle Cathedral in this very special service for Eden Valley Hospice on **Friday 9th December**. Pupils should arrive at the cathedral at 6.45pm ready for the service to begin at 7pm.

It is essential we have as many pupils as possible for these events so that Warwick Bridge School can give an excellent performance at both occasions.

NISCU Puppet Assembly

We welcomed the NISCU team and their puppets into school this Friday. They gave the children a very entertaining performance with songs and a play to watch. At the end of the performance, some of our younger pupils had the opportunity to meet the puppeteers and their puppets. We trust that all the children enjoyed the performance.

Esafety Newsletter

The December issue of the Online Safety Newsletter is available to view at:

[https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1512/4. Online Safety Newsletter Primary December 2022 Warwick B ridge 30-11-2022.pdf/](https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1512/4. Online Safety Newsletter Primary December 2022 Warwick Bridge 30-11-2022.pdf/) . Please read the articles on purchasing games consoles and also the use of Instagram.

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

Christmas Craft Day

We are all looking forward to the annual Christmas Craft Day on Wednesday 7th December. Pupils will have the opportunity to take part in a whole host of festive activities with staff on this very enjoyable day at school.

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.

Holiday Activities

Cumbria's Activity and Food Programme have announced a series of activities for the Christmas holidays. The Holiday Activity Programme is aimed at all school-age children and young people (age 5 – 16).

- Places are FREE for young people who receive benefits-related Free School Meals and eligible children in particular circumstances. All children who attend will also be provided with a meal.
- Some places are exclusively for eligible young people, please contact the providing organisation for more information.
- Visit cumbria.gov.uk/holidays to book holiday activities now! Or use the booking information provided.
- The HAF email for enquiries: HAF@Cumbria.gov.uk

The leaflet is now on the school website with lots of information. To access it go to

https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1507/Holiday_Activity_Leaflet_Carlisle_1.pdf/

Next week at WBS

<i>Monday 5th December</i>	Christingle making and Christingle Service (11am)
<i>Monday 5th December</i>	Year 5/6 Christmas Party (1pm)
<i>Tuesday 6th December</i>	FOWBS Christmas Fair
<i>Wednesday 7th December</i>	Christmas Craft Day
<i>Thursday 8th December</i>	Year 4 Christmas Party Year 2/3 Party Christmas Concert
<i>Friday 9th December</i>	Nursery Party Reception Party Year 1 Party Carlisle Cathedral Light up a Life Service

More diary dates are available to view on the school website at:

https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1511/Diary_dates_Autumn_2022.pdf/

Have a very enjoyable weekend

Mr M Ashton