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Warwick Bridge Primary School
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Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term 2023. This will be another busy half-term here at WBS with a lot planned as we approach the end of the calendar year. Children will be involved in a number of activities and we look forward to another productive time of the year.

Attendance

Congratulations to our pupils in Year 2. A fantastic percentage and a great attendance during the last week of the half-term.

	<u>Bluebell</u>	<u>Sunflower</u>	<u>Lavender</u>	<u>Tulip</u>	<u>Poppy</u>	<u>Wisteria</u>	<u>School</u>
20.10.23	Reception	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4/5	Y5/6	
	92.1%	84.2%	98.9%	87.4%	96.8%	94.2%	93.4%

FOWBS News

Discos – Thank you to all the FOWBS and school staff who helped at the two discos on Thursday evening. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed the music. We really do appreciate the hard work that goes in to organising these events.

Meeting – The Next FOWBS meeting will take place on Monday 6th November from 7pm in the school library. Matters under discussion include the Extravaganza and Fair that will be held at Christmas. This is your opportunity to help the school in its fundraising activities.

Sports News

Netball – Well done to our Hi-5 netball squad who took part in the annual William Howard Competition. The players all did very well and won all their games to make them champions of the tournament! Well done to them all.

Football – The Year 3/4 team will be taking part in the annual Harraby 3G CUFC tournament next Tuesday. The Year 5/6 team will also be taking part in their tournament on Friday 17th November. We wish both squads the very best of luck for all the matches they play in.

Cross Country – The annual Brampton Schools Cross Country competition will take place on Friday 24th November at Talkin Tarn. Trials will be held in the next two weeks and we shall have a boys and girls team representing WBS.

Fancy Dress Day – Friday 3rd November

It was great to see all the children in fancy dress this Friday. The children had a great time and the RotaKids raised £80 when they held their Bonfire Biscuits Bake sale at breaktime. Thank you for supporting this good cause. All proceeds go to our Ghana charity Ankoma Dream.

ESafety newsletter – November 2023

The latest edition of the Esafety newsletter is available online to view. You can download a copy at [https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1723/3. Online_Safety_Newsletter_Primary_November_2023_Warwick_Bridge_31-10-2023.pdf/](https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1723/3. Online_Safety_Newsletter_Primary_November_2023_Warwick_Bridge_31-10-2023.pdf) There are some very relevant articles on Roblox which is a very popular game amongst young people. There is also information about EA Sports FC 24. This lets parents and carers know that players can have access to in-app purchases and the ability to interact with other users.

Ollee - your virtual friend

Parent Zone have created 'Ollee,' a virtual friend that asks your child how they are feeling and provides ideas and advice to help. Ollee is aimed at 8-11 year olds. You are also able to use the app to find advice around any issues that you think your child might be having. You can find out more here: <https://parentzone.org.uk/Ollee>

Active Travel – Walk and Ride to School

The Active Travel group have been very busy organising the Walk and Ride to School initiative and they have also published an informative newsletter about the programme. You can read the newsletter on the school website at https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1724/8. Autumn_Newsletter_2023.pdf/ There are some great ideas about walking and riding to school plus opportunities to win prizes. We hope to see as many pupils as possible walking and riding to school in the coming months.

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

Warwick Bridge Ski Club

The school has been approached by a qualified skiing coach with a view to offering ski lessons for Warwick Bridge Pupils. The lessons would take place on Tuesdays or Wednesdays from 4.30-5.30pm at Carlisle Ski Slope (at Carlisle Cricket Club, Edenside). Lessons would be £10 and would be in blocks of three costing £30. The lessons are for Years 2-6 children and will start after the half-term break. If you are interested contact Mr Ashton at head@warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk.

Remembrance Assembly

Parents and carers are invited to the annual WBS Remembrance Assembly. This will be led by the Year 6 pupils and will start at 9am on Friday 10th November in the school hall.

RotaKids Bonfire Biscuit Bake Sale

The Rotakids' Bonfire Biscuit Bake Sale went really well and raised over £80 for our chosen charity Ankoma Dream in Ghana. Thank you everyone for your support. And the children also had the benefit of a special Bonfire visit from the Firefighters based in Carlisle. They gave all the pupils a safety talk and how to keep themselves free from danger on bonfire night.

Poppy Appeal

We have begun the 2023 Poppy Appeal here at school. Children are invited to bring in 50p-£1 for poppies and other related remembrance items. Year 6 children will bring the poppies round each day until Friday 10th November.

Ankoma Dream Book Appeal

The RotaKids are raising money for the Ankoma Dream charity in Ghana and the school is looking to help pupils there restock their libraries. To this end, families are asked to donate a book (**plus £1 per book**) to cover postage so that pupils in Ankoma can access good quality texts. **All donated books need to be in a very good condition.** All you need to do is:

- Choose a suitable children's book that is in great condition
- Write a message inside the front cover including your name
- Put £1 with the book to cover postage
- Bring the book to school
- Please do this by Friday 17th November. Thank you.

Warwick Bridge School – Diary Dates

Thursday 2 nd November	Autumn Disco
Friday 3 rd November	Non Uniform Day – Halloween fancy dress Year 6 Netball tournament
Tuesday 7 th November	Year 3/4 football tournament
Wednesday 8 th November	Geography Day
Thursday 9 th November	Nursery Come and Play session 9.30-10.30
Friday 10 th November	Remembrance Service – parents welcome, 9am
Wednesday 15 th November	Police visit to school
Thursday 16 th November	FOWBS Christmas Extravaganza
Friday 24 th November	Book bus visit KS2 cross county
Thursday 30 th November	EY and KS1 Pantomime at Down a Gate
Friday 1 st December	Non Uniform Day – tombola/raffle prize
Tuesday 5 th December	Christingle, 2pm
Wednesday 6 th December	Christmas Craft Day
Thursday 7 th December	Reception Nativity, 9.30am Film Night
Friday 8 th December	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Fair Eden Book worms visit
Monday 11 th December	Nursery, Reception and Year 1 class parties
Tuesday 12 th December	Year 1 & 2 carol concert, 2pm Christmas concert, 5pm
Wednesday 13 th December	Year 4/5 & 6 class parties
Friday 15 th December	Year 2 & 3 parties
Tuesday 19 th December	Selection box raffle

Term ends

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Wednesday 3 rd January	Back to school
Thursday 4 th January	KS2 to Theatre by the Lake
Friday 12 th January	Year 4 & 5 start swimming
Friday 9 th February	Last day of half term
Monday 19 th February	Back to school
Thursday 22 nd February	Spring Disco
Friday 8 th March	Mother's Day Stall
Tuesday 19 th March	Consultation Evening
Wednesday 20 th March	Consultation Evening
Friday 22 nd March	Non Uniform Day – Easter Bingo prize
Monday 25 th March	Spring concert
Thursday 28 th March	Easter Bingo
	Last day of term
Tuesday 16 th April	Back to school
Friday 17 th May	Year 5 & 6 residential
Friday 24 th May	Sponsored bounce
Friday 14 th June	Father's Day stall
Thursday 20 th June	Sports day
Friday 28 th June	Camp out
Friday 5 th July	Non Uniform Day – tombola/raffle prize
Saturday 6 th July	Summer Fair
Wednesday 10 th July	Drop in Consultation Evening
Thursday 18 th July	Summer Disco
Friday 19 th July	Last day of term

AUTUMN TERM 2023

Wednesday 6 th September	Term starts
Monday 23 rd /Friday 27 th October	Half term
Tuesday 19 th December	Term ends

SPRING TERM 2024

Wednesday 3 rd January	Term starts
Monday 12 th /Friday 16 th February	Half term
Thursday 28 th March	End of term
Friday 29 th March/Monday 1 st April	Good Friday/Easter Monday

SUMMER TERM 2024

Tuesday 16 th April	Term starts
Monday 6 th May	Early May Bank Holiday
Monday 27 th /Friday 31 st May	Half term
Friday 19 th July	Term ends

Mr M Ashton