



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

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Attendance

Congratulations to our pupils in Reception once again. They are the top attendees for the second week running.

	<u>Bluebell</u>	<u>Sunflower</u>	<u>Lavender</u>	<u>Tulip</u>	<u>Poppy</u>	<u>Wisteria</u>	<u>School</u>
10.11.23	Reception	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4/5	Y5/6	
	97.2%	93.2%	87.9%	94.7%	91.2%	95%	93.7%

Football News

Our Year 5/6 pupils did very well indeed at their tournament today at Harraby 3G pitches. The squad of six boys and two girls played brilliantly in all their games and played to the best of their abilities. This was a fantastic performance from the players. Special thanks to coaches Mr Nasif who guided the children through the tournament. Well done indeed.

Parking on Chapel Close

We were concerned to learn from a neighbour that they had been blocked in by cars dropping off children for school. This happened in chapel Close and resulted in that person missing a hospital appointment. Parents and carers are politely reminded not to block access in Chapel Close and that there is lots of parking available at Downagate for dozens of cars. Please use Downagate and walk the short distance to school. Thank you.

Police Visit

Children were thrilled to be visited by the police this week. The CSI team came in to talk about the work they do and showed the children a number of ways in which they can fight crime and solve cases. The children also have a look inside the police van and were entertained by two PCSOs who accompanied the CSI officers. There are photos of the visit on the school website at:

<https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/gallery/Fire-and-police-Visits-Nov-2023/25/>

Friends of Warwick Bridge School (FOWBS) News

Christmas Extravaganza – Thank you to everyone who came to the Christmas Extravaganza yesterday evening. Lots of stalls were on display with a fine range of craft and designs. Many thanks to FOWBS who organised this and ensured the event ran smoothly.

Christmas Fair – This year’s Christmas Fair takes place on Friday 8th December. Children will be looking around the stalls from 1pm and will also meet Santa again. The Fair will be open to parents and carers from 3.15pm. If you can help in any way please contact FOWBS at school.

Children in Need 2023 – Friday 17th November

Thank you to everyone who made our Children in Need (CIN) appeal 2023 a great success. Children were dressed in spots and colours and were enthusiastic to learn about where the money goes. We had a very good response to the appeal and raised lots of money for Children in Need.

Next week at School

Waterworks Assemblies – On Wednesday next week we will be visited by Rosalinde Nicholls who is the Habitat Conservation and Engagement Officer at Brockhole-on-Windermere. She will speak to the children and they will learn about what we use water for, how much we use, why and how we can save water. They will also include a section on what not to flush down our toilets for KS2 pupils. At the end of the session the children will have made a “water saving promise”.

Talkin Tarn Cross Country – On Friday 24th November a team of boys and a team of girls will represent WBS at the annual Cross Country races at Talkin Tarn. Trials will take place on Monday next week and we shall choose a team from this. Good luck to everyone.

Book Bus – Also on Friday 24th November the Book Bus will visit school. All children will have the opportunity to get on board the bus and look at the different books to take out. There may also be the chance for younger readers to enjoy a story from the Book Bus driver.

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Active Travel Walk to School

We have received the following message from Active travel, Cumbria:

*We would just like to say thank you to all adults who have completed the Active Travel to School Survey Parent Letter or the online survey. All parents and carers in Cumbria are eligible to complete the survey, regardless of whether your school location makes active travel more difficult, or the easy option. The greater the response rate, the better we can map barriers and challenges across Cumbria and provide your school with targeted support to promote active travel. As we value the time and input of our respondents we are offering the chance to win one of 2 x £250 vouchers in time for Christmas. The survey only takes 5-10 minutes complete and is open until **Friday 8 December 2023**. The link to the survey is <https://surveymechanics.com/s/activetravel> .*

The link to the letter on the school website is at:

<https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1731/10.ActiveCumbriaSurveyParentLetter2023.pdf/>

Free Holiday Clubs – a message from Craig Holcroft

As the Christmas holidays approach, here is some information for families of children who receive free school meals. This initiative is designed to provide a fulfilling and festive experience during the break. This is a 'No Cost Culture' promotion for those who will benefit from this. We will also run free clubs for SEND children. Please email for more details about this.

Programme Overview:

Duration: 4 hours from 10 am to 2 pm

Free warm meal

Multisport camp activities

Programme Details by Area:

Greystone Community Centre (Carlisle): December 20th - 23rd

Cockermouth School: December 19th - 22nd

Eligibility and Registration:

The programme is primarily for children who receive free school meals. Signing up is easy and free. Parents can register through the provided link: Program Link

Daily Activities:

Sports sessions

Mindfulness exercises

Arts and crafts activities

Open to All:

While our primary focus is on children receiving free school meals, we extend a warm welcome to all children. We also offer paid places for those who don't qualify for free sessions, ensuring an inclusive and engaging environment for everyone.

How to Secure Your Spot:

To secure a spot and join us for a joyous holiday experience, please sign up via the link provided <https://bookwhen.com/sportworksnorthwest>

Starting Primary School in September 2024

Parents and carers should be aware that applications are now open for pupils starting primary, transferring to junior school or starting secondary school in 2024. For children starting primary school the deadline for applications is 15 January 2024.

The [school admissions application process and guidance can be found on the Cumberland Council website](#). If you have any queries, please contact: school.admissions@cumberland.gov.uk

Have a great weekend

Mr M Ashton