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The half term is over and we are now 50% through the school year. The time keeps moving on and we remain busy as ever at Warwick bridge school. The new half-termly newsletter seeks to bring you up to date with the latest events at school and in the community.

Attendance

The Wisteria class have the best attendance this term so far. Well done to all the pupils who have done so well.

	Bluebell	<u>Sunflower</u>	Lavender	<u>Tulip</u>	Poppy	Wisteria	School
Spring 1	Reception	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4/5	Y5/6	
	94.3%	92%	94.7%	93.9%	94.8%	96.1%	94.8%

Year 5 and 6 Pupils to Walton Lees Hill

The pupils in our Year 5 and 6 cohorts went up to Walton lees Hill School to take part in a Masterchef Challenge on Thursday this week. They had a great time preparing, serving and eating a variety of food. Mrs Kelly and Miss Haile said that the children really enjoyed themselves and loved all aspects of the trip.

RotaKids Paper Aeroplane Challenge

Our RotaKids led a paper aeroplane challenge around school today. The children in each class were set the challenge to make a paper aeroplane as best as they could and then fly it as far as it could go. Each flight was measured and pupils whose aeroplanes went the furthest in each class won a prize. Thank you to the RotaKids for organising this. Over £110 was raised for the Ankoma Dream charity in Ghana. Many thanks for your generous donations.

Come and Play at Warwick Bridge School

Thank you to everyone who came to the *Come and Play* Toddler session in school yesterday. It was good to see everyone here and we hope that you all had a great time.

Online Safety at Warwick Bridge School

The February 2024 online safety newsletter is ready to view on the school website. It has great articles on staying safe whilst using PlayStations. It also emphasises the fact that users of YouTube need to be 13 to post videos on the platform. There is also an informative article on SnapChat usage. You can view the newsletter at

https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1779/6. Online Safety Newsletter Primary February 2024 Warwick Bri dge_31-01-2024_1.pdf/

School Meal Prices at Warwick Bridge

The cost of a school meal at school is rising to £3.40 per meal. Our caterers, Orian, have increased their cost per meal and we have to pass this cost on to families. The school has had discussions with Orian about this and the price increase will commence from April 1st 2024. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will still receive free school meals as part of the Universal Free School Meals programme for this age group.

Watchtree Nature Reserve – holiday activities

We have received the following message from Leanne at Watchtree Nature Reserve:

Watchtree is an OFSTED registered childcare facility, offering Forest School and nature based sessions on selected days throughout school holidays. Parents/carers drop their children off at 10am and collect them again at 4pm, leaving their children to experience forest school, outdoor education opportunities and cycling. Spaces cost £33.00 per child per session for non-members of Watchtree, but a membership discount is available. Spaces are limited to 16 per session. We also offered Targeted Short Breaks for eligible children that have EHCPs and who receive funded hours from the local authority. The link to booking and more information is: <u>Watchtree Nature Reserve | Kids Club – February Half-Term Holidays</u>.

Upcoming Fostering Events

There are a number of events for fostering young people in Cumbria. Please see the information below that was sent by Claire Crisp to school.

- Tuesday 13 February Join our virtual information event from the comfort of your home and speak to our friendly team and carers. Email <u>claire.crisp@cumberland.gov.uk</u> to request a Zoom link to join our meeting between 7pm and 8pm
- Thursday 22 February Fostering information stand at the Family Wellbeing event at Whitehaven Library from 2.30pm to 5.30pm
- Friday 23 February Fostering information stand at The Lanes Shopping Centre, Carlisle from 12pm to 2pm
- Wednesday 28 February Fostering information stand at the Family Wellbeing event at Harraby Community Centre, Carlisle from 2.30pm to 5.30pm
- Saturday 16 March Fostering information stand at the Barrow AFC Family Funday at the Holker Street Stadium Fanzone from 1pm to 4pm

Diary Dates

There are a number of dates for the diary. You can find all these dates on the school website at: https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/information/school-dates-and-diary/

Have a lovely half-term break and we will see you all on Monday 19th February.

All the best for the week ahead

Mr M Ashton