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**Attendance**

Some excellent attendance figures for the whole term. Well done to all the children with good attendance. We also had over 30% of pupils with 100% attendance for the term – this is an excellent result. We have brand new attendance wristbands for these pupils and they will wear them for the final week of term. Congratulations to our Year 4/5 pupils who have the best attendance over the term. Just to remind all families, the Cumberland Attendance Pledge is on the school website at:

[https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1942/Cumberland\\_School\\_Attendance\\_Pledge.pdf/](https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/1942/Cumberland_School_Attendance_Pledge.pdf/)

	<u>Ocean</u>	<u>Space</u>	<u>Jungle</u>	<u>Mountain</u>	<u>Desert</u>	<u>Polar</u>	<u>School</u>
<b>16.12.24</b>	Nursery/Reception	Y1	Y1/2	Y3	Y4/5	Y6	
	96.5%	91.3%	94.1%	95.9%	89.1%	94.3%	<b>93.5%</b>
<b>Autumn</b>	96.2%	97.2%	95.7%	95.6%	97.8%	96%	<b>96.5%</b>

**Poppy Appeal**

We are very pleased to report that this year’s Poppy Appeal raised over £292 for the Royal British Legion. This is an excellent amount of money and we thank everyone who took part and bought a poppy or one of the many accessories that were for sale.

**Christmas Activities**

**EY Nativity** – Well done to all the Early Years children in the Ocean Explorers class who gave such great performances in their nativity production of *A Miracle in Town*. The audience really enjoyed the acting and singing. Well done to everyone involved.

**Christmas Craft Day** – The whole school got involved when we went off-timetable and took part in five different Christmas activities. Children decorated Christmas biscuits, took part in Christmas karaoke, made 2025 calendars, created a Christmas card and festive decoration. Thanks to all the staff and helpers who worked very hard throughout the day.

**Key Stage 1 Carol Concert** – All the children in years 1 and two entertained a packed school hall with an afternoon of carols and Christmas poetry reading. Favourite carols were sung and the poetry recitals included *The Night Before Christmas*. Once again, the gathered audience really enjoyed the show.

**The Jungle Book** – During the final week of term, the children in Years 1-6 were taken to the Theatre by the Lake in Keswick to watch Rudyard Kipling’s *The Jungle Book*. The performance was truly fantastic and everyone enjoyed the whole show. Thank you to FOWBS for providing the refreshments and the buses to and from Keswick.

**Friends of Warwick Bridge School news**

**Christmas Extravaganza** – FOWBS began the festive season with a very successful Christmas Extravaganza. This took place in school and was well-attended by the school and wider community. Thank you to everyone who came along to support this event.

**Christmas Fair** – The Christmas Fair was a huge success with the children enjoying a visit from Father Christmas. He and the elves gave each pupil a present and wished everyone a merry Christmas. You can see pictures of Santa and his grotto at <https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/gallery/Christmas-2024/25/>

**Football News**

**Girls’ Football** – Our girls’ football team played a game against Cumwhinton girls at the beginning of November. They played really well and pushed the opposition all the way in a tight game before eventually losing 5-3. Well done to all the girls and thanks to Miss Holmes for coaching the team.

**School Council**

The School Council have been busy this term. They organised a wonderful non-uniform day for the Children in Need event. They also incorporated a Fun Run and Treasure Hunt in the day. Well done to all of them for their efforts.

**RotaKids News**

The RotaKids worked hard during the Christmas Fair raising over £90 for FOWBS. They had a stall with different games and activities and this was enjoyed by many people. Well done RotaKids for all your hard work – you have raised over £300 this term. This is a fantastic effort and you should be proud of yourselves.

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### **Toddlers**

The Toddlers events have gone very well this year. Thank you to everyone who has supported the events during the autumn term. Future Toddler events are to held as follows:

<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Space theme</b>	
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Valentine theme</b>	
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Easter</b>	
<b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Pirates and Princesses</b>	We look forward to seeing you!
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Sensory</b>	
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Summer fun</b>	
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Teddy Bears' Picnic</b>	

### **Eafety News**

Many families have attended the 'Online Eafety Talks' that were held this term. Parents and carers were informed about how they can safeguard children from problems that may happen online. The presentation is now on the school website. Please take time to download it and read the information. You can find it at: <https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/parents/e-safety/> It is titled *Online Safety Presentation for Families*.

### **Online Safety Newsletter**

The December 2024 online safety newsletter is now available to download from the school website. You can find it at: <https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/2025/4. Online Safety Newsletter December 2024 Warwick Bridge 27 -11-2024.pdf/>

This month's edition has some very interesting articles on the chat facility on **Roblox**. Adults should be aware that the chat facility can be turned off or limited to friends rather than all users messaging on it. And parents/carers should be aware of the new **Talkie** messaging app which is only suitable for ages 17+.

### **Happy Mums Foundation**

Abi Carroll is setting up a new peer support group for the Happy Mums Foundation in Brampton starting in January. This seeks to create a safe space for mums and mums-to-be to share how they are feeling and discuss maternal mental health confidentially. For more details have a look at the poster on the school website at:

<https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/2026/3. A4 Poster - Brampton.pdf/>

Thank you to everyone who has been so kind and given staff cards and presents. It is very generous of you and much appreciated.

Everyone at Warwick Bridge School wishes you a happy, peaceful and relaxing Christmas. Have a wonderful time with family and friends. Happy New Year and we will see you back at school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

Merry Christmas!

Mr M Ashton