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Warwick Bridge Primary School
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Staffing News

At the end of the spring term 2025, we will welcome back to school both Mrs McBride and Mrs Douglass. They have been away on maternity leave and will be back in school from the last week of term. With their return, we will also have a change in classes and personnel for the summer term 2025. The increase in Nursery numbers has necessitated a separate Nursery class from April 22nd 2025. Mrs McBride will lead the Nursery on Mondays and Tuesdays with Mrs Taylor teaching for the rest of the week. Miss Brough will lead the Reception class. This means that we will have Miss James in the Year 1 class on Mondays and Tuesdays with Mrs Douglass completing the teaching in Year 1 Space Explorers for the rest of the week. Mrs Hickman will be teaching in the Year 3 Mountain Explorers class every Tuesday, a change from Miss James teaching there on that day. A letter has been sent out to all the classes concerned. If you have any questions about the staffing at school please contact Mr Ashton.

Attendance

There have been some very good attendances figures this term. We are pleased that many pupils still have 100% attendance and a few classes have had 100% attendance for certain weeks during spring. Well done to our younger children in the Ocean Nursery/Reception class – they have the best attendance for the school year so far. And they often won the weekly attendance trophy for their excellent attendance. 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/

	<u>Ocean</u>	<u>Space</u>	<u>Jungle</u>	Mountain	Desert	<u>Polar</u>	<u>School</u>
7.2.25	Nursery/Reception	Y1	Y1/2	Y3	Y4/5	Y6	
	98.6%	95.7%	94.1%	95.9%	96.5%	94.3%	95.9%
From Sep '24 97.3%		96.5%	95.2%	96.4%	97.2%	96%	96.4%

Reindeer Run 2024

All the children at WBS took part in the annual Reindeer Run to raise funds for Jigsaw Children's Hospice in Carlisle. Thanks to their efforts and the kindness of the friends and families, we are very pleased to inform you that the school raised £981. This is a marvellous amount of money and contributed to the efforts of other schools in and around Carlisle. The final figure raised for Jigsaw was £39, 461. Well done to everyone concerned.

Online Safety and Safer Internet Day 2025

The February 2025 edition of the Knowsley online safety newsletter is available to view on the school website. In order to see it go to

https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/2090/6. Online Safety Newsletter February 2025 Warwick Bridge 31-01-2025.pdf/

There are some excellent articles this month. One of the subjects is *Squid Game*. This is rated 15+ and is not for primary pupils to play. There is also excellent information about messaging apps and how to help your child use them correctly. Finally, as it is the week of **Safer Internet Day**, there is another newsletter that will help parents monitor what your child is doing online. This is also available on the school website at https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/2105/Online-Safety-Newsletter-Feb-2025 SID 1.pdf/

Year 5 visit to William Howard School

All our Year 5 pupils had a lovely day at William Howard School on Friday 7th February. They travelled in style in the WHS minibus and were met by the Head of Year 7. The children took part in PE activities and also had the opportunity to make pizzas in a Food Technology lesson. Some of our Year 5 children took part in a Science/DT lesson and made some rockets which were tested during the visit. Miss James, Miss Murray and Mrs Dutton accompanied the children on their visit and also enjoyed their time at WHS. We trust that those children who will be going to WHS in September 2026 will have some understanding of what high school is like after this very interesting visit.

CHUF Day - Friday 14th Feb 2025

The children had a great day fundraising for the Children's Heart Unit Fund (CHUF). We all wore red, the Rotakids held a bake sale and the School Council organised fun activities at lunchtime. In all we raised £179.77. Thank you to everyone.

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Friends of Warwick Bridge School News

<u>Spring Discos</u> – FOWBS would like to thank everyone who came to the school discos this week and made the events very successful indeed. Bothe the discos were well attended and the children had an excellent time. Thanks to all who supported these events and thanks to the FOWBS volunteers without whom these activities would not take place. .

<u>Easter Bingo</u> – This event for all the family will take place on **Saturday 29**th **March** at Downagate. The evening starts at 5pm.

FOWBS Quiz - The adults quiz is to take place on Friday 16th May from 7pm. More details to follow.

<u>FOWBS Summer Fair</u> - Please make a date in your diary that the FOWBS Summer Fair will take place on **Saturday 7th July** at Warwick Bridge School. There will be lots for all the family to do plus the annual Warwick Bridge Football tournament. We look forward to receiving your support for this event and all the other FOWBS activities.

Sports News

<u>Football</u> – Football practises take place on Tuesday after school (girls) and on Wednesday lunchtimes from 12.30pm for both KS1 and KS2. Please ensure that your child has the correct kit. PE clothing is not to be worn for these practises and children must have a change of shoes.

<u>Gymnastics</u> – Coach Evie has been carrying out some super gymnastics practises with the gymnasts. We are all looking forward to the Sands Centre Key Steps competition on Friday 28th February. Good luck to the teams.

<u>Cross Country</u> – This year's Lanercost Cross Country competition will be held on Saturday 17th May from 10am. The event is open to all ages from Nursery to Year 6 – every child is welcome. Put the date in your diary.

Watchtree Kids' Clubs

With half term just around the corner, families may be interested in Watchtree's Kids' Club availability at half term. To find out what is happening and how to apply click on the following link:

https://watchtree.co.uk/events/kids-club-february-half-term-holidays/

School Council

The School Council have been meeting this half-term and have looked in to getting some new equipment for the playground. They will also be looking at fundraising for **Comic Relief** which takes place on March 21st this year.

RotaKids and Wear Red for CHUF

On the last day of the half-term, (also Valentine's Day), the RotaKids held a bake sale to raise money for the Child's Heart Unit Fund (CHUF). Children wore red for the day today and raised money in a good cause. Thank you all for your support in this.

Toddlers

The Toddlers events have gone very well this year. Thank you to everyone who has supported the events during the autumn and spring terms. This week the Toddlers group had a special Valentine celebration afternoon. Future Toddler events are to held as follows:

Tuesday 25th March Easter

Tuesday 29th April Pirates and Princesses We look forward to seeing you!

Tuesday 20th May Sensory
Tuesday 10th June Summer fun
Tuesday 8th July Teddy Bears' Picnic

Football Camps at William Howard School

SPRING HALF TERM CAMP 2025 GIRLS AND BOYS WELCOME

(4 – 6 Years Old) 10.00am. to 12.00pm. (7 – 12 Years Old) 10.00am. to 3.00pm.

Monday, 17th, to Friday, 21st, February, 2025.

VENUE: WILLIAM HOWARD SCHOOL PLAYING FIELD, BRAMPTON, CUMBRIA.

£65:00 5 x Full Days - £32.50 Half Days £45.00 3 x Consecutive Full Days - £22.50 Half Days £20.00 1 x Full Day - £10.00 Half Day

Please make cheques payable to: 'The Professionals Elite Academy Limited'.

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School Diary Dates and Events

All the upcoming events and diary dates are available to view online on the school website at https://www.warwickbridge.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/2102/Diary dates Spring 2025.pdf/

The dates are also listed below:

Warwick Bridge School - Diary Dates

*** some dates may be subject to change.

Tuesday 11th February Thursday 13th February Friday 14th February

Monday 24th February Friday 28th February Tuesday 4th March Thursday 6th March

Thursday 13th March Friday 14th March Monday 17th March Thursday 20th March Friday 21st March Tuesday 25th March

Wednesday 26th March Friday 28th March

Saturday 29th March Monday 31st March Tuesday 1st April Thursday 3rd April Friday 4th April Tuesday 22nd April Tuesday 29th April Monday 5th May Monday 12th May Friday 16th May

Monday 2nd June Tuesday 10th June Friday 13th June

Tuesday 20th May

Friday 23rd May

Wednesday 18th – Friday 20th June

Thursday 26th June Friday 27th June Monday 30th June Friday 4th July Saturday 5th July Tuesday 8th July Wednesday 9th July

Thursday 17th July Friday 18th July

Spring Term 2025

Tuesday 7th January Monday 17th – 21st February Friday 4th April

Monday 21st April

Toddler group @ 1.30pm FOWBS Spring Disco

Wear red for CHUF – Rota Kids bake sale (proceeds to CHUF)

Last Day of half term Back to School

Key Steps gymnastics competition.

<mark>Pancake Day</mark> World Book Day

Eden Rock Climbing Competition

Book Bus visit Holi Celebration

FOWBS meeting @ 3.30pm - New members welcome

International Francophonie Day

Red Nose Day

Toddler Group – Easter 1.30pm Spring concert @ 5pm

Year 4/5 performance @ 1.30pm FOWBS Mother's Day Stall

Non uniform - chocolate donation/Easter gift for Easter bingo

Easter Bingo @ Down a Gate Consultation evening Consultation evening

Egg Decorating and RotaKids Easter Events

Last day of term Back to school

Toddler Group – Pirates & Princesses @ 1.30pm

Bank Holiday SATs week

FOWBS Adults Quiz Night @ 7pm in School Hall

Toddler Group – Sensory @ 1.30pm

FOWBS Sponsored Bounce Last day of half term Back to School

Toddler Group – Summer Fun @ 1.30pm

FOWBS Father's Day Stall Year 5 & 6 residential to York Sports Day with FOWBS Tuck Shop

KS2 Camp Out Move Up Monday

Non-Uniform – tombola prize for Summer Fair

FOWBS Summer Fair

Toddler Group – Teddy Bears' Picnic @ 1.30pm

Drop in consultation evening FOWBS Summer Disco Last Day of Term Picnic

Term starts Half term End of term Easter Monday

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Summer Term 2025

Tuesday 22nd April Monday 5th May Monday 26th – Friday 30th May Friday 18th July

Term starts Early May Bank Holiday Half term Term ends

All the best for a lovely half-term break

Mr M Ashton