



Warbstow Primary Academy and Nursery

Small and mighty is the Warbstow Way

Head of School – Mr J Pritchard

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Dear Warbstow Families

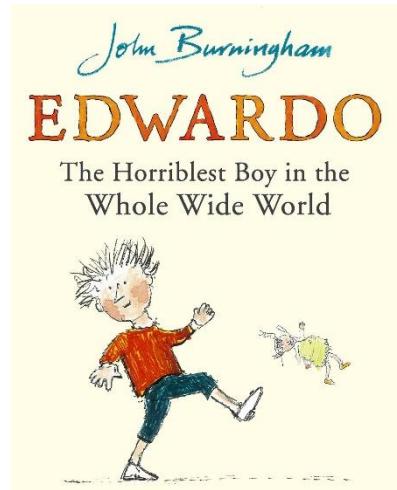
Attendance

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our families for your continued efforts in ensuring children arrive at school each day. However, we must be transparent about a current challenge we face as a community. At present, our whole-school attendance sits at 92.8%, which is a significant decline compared to last year's impressive rate of above 96%. Every day in the classroom is vital for ensuring our children are **Ready** to learn and helps them develop the **Resilience** needed to succeed. Moving forward together, we are committed to working in partnership with families to understand any barriers to attendance and provide the necessary support. It takes effort from all of us to ensure our **Small and Mighty** community is present, settled, and purposeful, allowing every child the opportunity to thrive.

Living Our Ways of Being

Every day across the whole school, we are maintaining a sharp focus on our core ways of Being: ensuring we are **Ready**,

Respectful, and Safe. This focus is especially central to our whole school celebrations and assemblies, where we come together to reinforce our shared identity. These gatherings are essential for building a culture of mutual respect and safety for ourselves and each other. To support this, we shared the book *Edwardo* this week, a story that underpins the commitment we must all make—working in partnership—to create a supportive environment where everyone feels valued and safe.



Timetable Adjustment

We're always looking for ways to make the school day run even smoother, so we're making a little tweak to our daily timetable! From the beginning of Week 3, morning break will move to **10:30 am – 10:45 am**. This change will enable us to make necessary adjustments to the curriculum, ensuring every session is as effective as possible. We will, of course, continue to monitor the impact of this change and look for adaptations moving forward to improve on all aspects of the school day. Thank you for your flexibility and support as we refine our routines to best serve our children.

Celebrating the Warbstow Way

Well done to all our certificate winners for demonstrating what it means to be a great little learner!



Illness

We encourage all families to review the illness notification guides below. These provide clear instruction on exclusion periods for specific conditions which is essential for our collective well being.

[Back to school – 5 things to do to help manage winter illness – UK Health Security Agency](#)

Do I need to keep my child off school?



Chicken Pox Until all spots have crusted over	Conjunctivitis No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Diarrhoea & Vomiting 48 hours from last episode	Glandular Fever No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Hand, foot & mouth No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Impetigo Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Measles or German Measles 4 days from onset of rash	Mumps 5 days from onset of swelling	Scabies Until after first treatment	Scarlet Fever 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	Slapped Cheek No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Whooping Cough 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Flu Until recovered	Head Lice No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Threadworms No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Tonsillitis No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed		

After School Clubs

There is still time to sign up, via ParentPay for our current after-school clubs. These sessions are designed to be an extension of our curriculum where children can further develop skills in our core values, particularly Curiosity, Creativity, and Resilience.

Monday	Friday
Ninja Warriors with Mr Dart Reception – Year 6 £15 for the half term	Lego & Games Club with Tilly, LJD Coaching Reception – Year 6 £12 for the half term

Key Dates

20th – 22nd January – Reception Bikeability

13th February – Inset Day

16th – 20th February – Half Term

25th – 29th May – Half Term

5th June – Community Cohesion Day

24th – 26th June – Year 5 and 6 Residential

24th July – Summer Break

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PTA Treasurer Needed



Our wonderful easygoing PTA group looking for a new Treasurer to help us continue in fundraising for Warbstow Primary School!

This is a volunteer position, however would benefit from someone who is organised, familiar with maintaining records and have a reasonable head for figures.

Any Questions? Please get in touch

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