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Warbstow Primary Academy
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#### Mr Ellis Office Hours

Tuesday- All Day Thursday- All Day If you would like an appointment, please contact Miss Hicks

6th February 2020

### **Attendance**

Please can any absence requests be completed on the new holiday forms prior to any planned absence. These are available on the website or at reception.



Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Feb- Class 1 Morwellham Quay trip
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February- INSET DAY
Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Feb- Warbstow Litter Pick
Monday 17th Feb- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Feb- HALF TERM
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March- Year 6 transition meeting for
Launceston College pupils

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March- World Book Day
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March- St Petrocs Cross Country
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March- Warbstow Fun Run
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March- Height & Weight checks
Reception & Y6

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March**- Songfest dress rehearsal **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**- School class vistas & Whole School Photo

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March- Songfest concert
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March- LAST DAY OF TERM
30<sup>th</sup> March- 13<sup>th</sup> April- EASTER HOLIDAYS
14<sup>th</sup> April- SUMMER TERM BEGINS
School closed Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May for Bank Holiday
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May-SATS WEEK
May 20<sup>th</sup>-May 22<sup>nd</sup>-Camp Kernow (Class 4
residential)

May 25<sup>th</sup>- May 29<sup>th</sup>- HALF TERM

June 5<sup>th</sup>- Community Day (Royal Cornwall Show)

June 24<sup>th</sup> -June 26<sup>th</sup>- Class 3 Dartmoor residential.

Pre Schools telephone number is changing. You will now be able to contact the Pre-school via the main school telephone number and selecting option 2. The old number will be disconnected over the coming weeks.



#### In Class 1:

- Next week Class 1 will finish their topic 'Who am I?'
   with a trip to Morwellham Quay. Please remember to login to ParentPay to give consent and make payment.
- They will also be learning how to use alphabetical order to sort words and practicing dividing by 2 and 10 using arrays.
- In topic work they will be completing their special boxes, and program the Beebot to move in either a square, rectangle or circle shape.

#### In Class 2:

- In Year 2 next week, the children will be preparing for a visit from the Town Mouse. Could they please come to school dressed as country mice for Wednesday morning.
- In Maths, they will be learning about money and in Science they will continue to learn about animals including humans.

#### In Class 3:

 Unfortunately Mrs Provis is unwell so next week will be a surprise!

#### In Class 4:

- Next week Class 4 will be finishing our topic in style.
   We will be building model fraction cities in Art/DT so please could we request junk modelling materials.
- The children will also be tasked with rebuilding their PC's
- In Maths the focus will be the multiplication of fractions to each other and whole numbers.
- In English we shall be concluding our topic.

### **Warbstow Wonders:**

To share our children's achievements we are going to publish the names of pupils receiving special certificates.

This week congratulations go to:

<b>Working Hard</b>	Kind & Helpful
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Toby Teddy William George C Reid Izzy Pippa

Sienna Mia The daffodils planted around Warbstow village in memory of Wendy Parsons (Aunty Wendy) are now starting to bloom. A lovely memory that will be present every spring for many years to come. Thank you to all those who helped plant them.

Half term Quiz sheets will be on sale from Monday from Jayne Parsons. Questions for all ages - £1 to enter.



**Dear Parents and Carers** 

What a busy week we have had. On Monday I received 'the call' to inform us that we would be Ofsted inspected the following day. The summary report has been feedback to school and Hub Councillors, but as yet is not finalised and as such we are not permitted to make public any findings. What I can say is we had a positive inspection, the children were excellent as always and we feel good.

There will be areas to improve I am sure. With the changing framework of inspections and the emphasis on 'Curriculum' delivery, I am confident we have already begun the process well.

The official report will be published within 24 days.

I must say a big thanks to all the staff who have worked incredibly hard, and also cakes of support from families delivered to the staff room!

Have a marvellous weekend.

Keep reading!

### **Introduction to Governance at Warbstow**

Warbstow Primary Academy is a member of the Aspire Academy Trust, a multi-academy trust comprising 28 primary schools in Cornwall. Schools within the Trust work together, supporting each other and sharing best practice, to help improve the experience and outcomes for pupils.

The Trust's central administrative functions deliver efficient services and expertise, reducing the bureaucratic and financial overhead. This allows school leaders to focus on what they should - improving opportunities for pupils.

### Governance & the Role of the Hub Council

Every Aspire academy is accountable to the Trust Board. Delegated local-level governance within Aspire operates under a hub model, with groups of academies working together as a Hub Council. Academies within each hub have a collective ambition to support and challenge each other; sharing best practice and ensuring a consistent drive to improve, and add value to, pupil outcomes.

The role of the Hub Council is to ensure pupils receive their full entitlement, are safe, and enjoy school life to the maximum. It is a strategic and monitoring role, responsible for promoting high standards, educational achievement and access to a broad and varied curriculum.

Hub Councils are made up of volunteers representing each hub academy, alongside Senior Academy Leaders and are led by an elected Chair.

Warbstow is part of the North Hub comprising Bude, Delabole & Tintagel, St Breock, St Minver and Warbstow.

### What Does Hub Governance Look Like in Practice

Each term Hub Councillors perform two key governance activities for Warbstow, a monitoring visit and a Hub Council meeting.

Hub Council meetings are the forum where the strategies for the hub as a whole, and individual academies, are agreed and performance and progress is monitored.

Monitoring visits have a specific focus each term and provide an opportunity to really scrutinise how the school is doing. Whilst high quality teaching is an important aspect, monitoring visits take a much wider view looking at the whole school experience as well as gaining feedback directly from the children.

Together these activities provide robust and effective governance for Warbstow, and the other schools in the North Hub.

## **Warbstow - Hub Councillors**

Mr Simeon Leete Mr Reggie Gough

You can find more detailed information about the Aspire Academy Trust Governance model on the school's website <a href="http://www.warbstow.org.uk/web/about\_us">http://www.warbstow.org.uk/web/about\_us</a> and selecting **Governance** from the menu.

If you are interested in becoming a Hub Councillor please contact the school or speak with Reggie or Simeon.