



18th December 2020

Warbstow Primary Academy

Head of School: Mr S Ellis



January 4th- SPRING TERM STARTS
Thursday 7th January- Year 1
Hearing screening



Please ensure you have selected your children's meals by Sunday 3rd January.

[New lunch options](#)



Google Classroom

Please ensure that you are able to access google classroom for your child/ren at home. If your child is off sick or in isolation then work will be loaded for them to do each day on here. If you have any problems with the details please let the class teacher know.

We are delighted to announce that Solomon will be our new Music lead for Warbstow Primary Academy with the Cornwall Music Service Trust. Over the coming year there will be various activities and meetings that he will participate in representing the school. The first activity that he would like his peers to get involved with is an Art piece.

Cornwall Music Trust are putting together an online Art Gallery. All you need to do is make a piece of art 3D or 2D about your instrument or favourite piece of music. It can be absolutely anything, I was thinking of making a sandwich in the shape of my guitar! Please ask your parent or carer to sign the consent form and see the information below. Good luck! From Solomon.

We would like you to create a piece of art about your instrument or favourite piece of music.

CATEGORIES				
2D	3D	Film / animation	Photo / sequence of three	Poetry / descriptive phrases
Painting, drawing, printing, cartoon, mixed media / mixed materials, collage, digital	Model / sculpture in any material including edible!	Max 5mins, telling a story that involves your instrument.	Unusual aspects of your instrument.	About your instrument / favourite piece of music.

- GET CREATING OVER CHRISTMAS
- ASK YOUR PARENT OR CARER TO READ AND SIGN THE PERMISSION FORM
- TAKE A PHOTO OF YOUR ART TO SHOW IT AT ITS BEST, OR EMAIL THE DIGITAL FILES TO : art@cornwallmusicservicetrust.org
- REMEMBER TO KEEP COPIES OF ANY FILES YOU SEND!
- QUESTIONS CAN BE E-MAILED TO KARI AT THE SAME ADDRESS

IMPORTANT: COVID-19 REPORTING OVER CHRISTMAS:

*For the first 6 days after the end of school, if a pupil or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, having developed symptoms WITHIN 48 HOURS of being in school, please use the Aspire reporting form (see below) as the school is asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.

*Where a pupil (or staff member) tests positive for COVID-19, having developed symptoms MORE THAN 48 HOURS since being in school, the school should NOT be contacted (until the first day of the new term). Parents and carers should instead follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

*School staff are NOT asked to remain on-call or conduct any contact tracing more than 6 days after the final day of teaching. Stay safe and well everyone and have a wonderful Christmas!

<http://www.aspireacademytrust.org/1434/coronavirus-covid-19>



A Message from Our Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

I think that we all have walked towards this end of term with a particular and different take on this year. Understandable really when you look back and realise that from the 16th March, we have been plunged into a new reality that no one could have expected. It has been difficult for many of us to really turn off from this date - so I am particularly happy that we are all about to have a proper shutdown and holiday. I think it is particularly well deserved this year.

Thank you to all the staff who have worked so hard in making school a normal and exciting place to be. There has been considerable learning taking place and I am very proud of the efforts of our young children during this time. What resilience, persistence, and tenacity they have shown. I also need to mention and thank you parents and carers. You have adapted to the changes and supported the school through this time, and we have remained Covid free, long may it last.

Google classroom is a working platform where we have seen the whole school access now. You can also access learning that is going on in class and keep up to date with classroom trends! This will continue to be used in the new year for homework and teaching opportunities and is on standby if we are forced to shut and provide online learning to our bubbles/school. Guidance for this is on our website page.

Routines re drop off and pick up will remain the same on our return in January and we will only change or adjust these in response to new guidance and/or circumstances.

Our Christmas lunch was a huge success, a triumph of roast turkey, crackers and the family of Warbstow. Well done Sam and Jo in the kitchen, the best year yet.

This reminds me of some homework I would like children in years 3 to 6 to do. In your Wonder Full books, I would like you to write out your Christmas day menu. You may illustrate a particular dish that you love to eat. Remember, make it sound fantastic, use persuasive language, use expanded noun phrases! (eg Mouth-watering, moist, festive chestnut stuffing). Presentation is of paramount importance.

We were lucky that Santa managed to visit us this year too. Magically, he left two enormous sacks of gifts for the children outside their classes, he hopes the children enjoyed the gifts.

We also managed to have party games too this end of term. Class 1 and 2 in the hall and Class 3 in their own class. Prizes consisted of pineapples and pomegranates for the winners and raw brussel sprouts for the runners up.

Our Wellbeing day was a huge success, not only did we manage to have a window of dry weather, the children were marvellous. We slid, ran, fell, ate popcorn, drank hot chocolate, saw birds of prey, jumped in puddles, played games.....the list goes on.

Finally, we have pushed the tables back today, taken our places in the theatre of the classrooms and settled down to watch the Panto. Boos, cheers, he's behind you, Oh yes you did etc, ring out across the school!

May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
And may the sun shine warm upon your face.
Merry Christmas to each and every one of you.

Best wishes Mr Ellis