

Warbstow Primary Academy and Nursery

Small and mighty is the Warbstow Way

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Our newsletter looks slightly different this week as I wanted to write to you at the start of the half term to welcome you back.

Warbstow has over recent months faced staffing challenges, this is undisputed, and far from ideal. I want to reassure you that the children's happiness, learning and stability is at the heart of what we do in school each day. Our older classes have settled in well with our staff changes, we talk openly and honestly with the children about the changes that they have faced. We use the values of our school in a stick of rock metaphor – our values run deep and guide us in how we become amazing young people! Our value for this half term is resilience and we are equipping the children with some skills in how to show resilience in their lives. This week we talked about being a blu tack type of a person (someone who tries once, gets stuck and gives up) or a bouncy ball (keeps trying over and over) or a magical unicorn (someone who seeks to find a creative solution to the challenge). We are not a blu tack school but a magical unicorn type of a school! Using metaphors like this helps us to learn and grow as people, while adapting to any changes that come along.

Our learning systems, curriculum structure and lesson structures stay the same each day, this is due to all of the systems we have introduced over the last year or so. This naturally brings consistency and a feeling of security.

The children are excited by their new learning themes. We have set off with 'What did the Romans do for us?' (Earhart) 'Would you survive the Stone Age?' (Attenborough) and 'What happened to dinosaurs?' (Paddington). Our next open morning will be on Friday March 8^{th} – please do come in and celebrate your child's achievements with us between 8:40-9:00.

Our parents' evenings will be on Monday 11th March and Thursday 14th March, please book on the Arbor App from 6pm on Monday 26th February.

As always, please do discuss any concerns that you may have with me.

I hope you all have an enjoyable weekend, Mrs Bancroft