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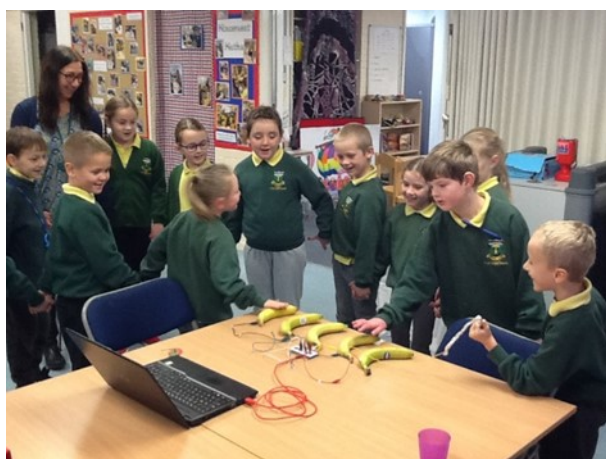
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We have had a lot of fun with our learning this week. We had a great science workshop on Wednesday where we set up a 'banana piano' in school. This led to some excellent investigation work from the children to find out what other things we could use that would still play our piano app. It turns out that it depended on whether the item conducts electricity or not. You may be surprised to know that blue tac does not, but glue (from glue sticks) does! We also found that apples, conkers and mushrooms were pretty good but twigs and Lego did not work. One of the best discoveries was the fact that some stones work and others don't! This has tied in beautifully with our science work on materials.

If you have your doubts about whether banana pianos are a real thing, then I encourage you to google 'makey makey' and don't worry – we have video and photos to share with you of course!

Rebecca Simpson



We Remember

Thank you to everyone who has supported our Remembrance work in school this week. The bottle base poppies look stunning in our display and we are proud to have joined with Northumberland Rocks to create remembrance rocks, which we are taking to the Lowick war memorial this Friday. Each rock has the name of a soldier from the Lowick war memorial written on the back to help us remember.



PTA Meeting

There will be a PTA Meeting on Wednesday 14th November at 3pm in Lowick School. We will be planning the Christmas Fair. All are welcome and your input would be very much appreciated.



PTA Christmas Fair at Lowick School

Friday 30th November

3.00 -5.00pm

Spellings

- Year 1** Tch
eg catch, fetch, kitchen, notch
- Year 2** Words ending -'il'
There are not many of these words
eg pencil, fossil, nostril
- Year 3** The suffix -'ly' is added to an adjective to form an adverb
eg sadly, completely, usually, finally, comically

Children in Need

We will be fund-raising for Children in Need next Thursday (15th November). For a donation (the amount at your discretion), your children are allowed to come to school in fancy dress or their own clothes.



If you are planning on doing a shoe box for the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Appeal, please could it be in school no later than Monday.
Many thanks

A huge thank you to those of you who have sent in filled Shoe Boxes. Your gift will make a massive difference to the child who receives it.

Future dates

Wed 14th Nov	PTA Meeting at 3.00pm
Thurs 15th Nov	Children in Need—own clothes day
Friday 16th Nov	Individual and Family Photographs
Monday 19th Nov	Parents Evening—3.30—6.30pm
Friday 30th Nov	Christmas Fair—3.00—5.00pm
Friday 14th Dec	Afternoon Performance
Monday 17th Dec	Evening Performance
Tuesday 18th Dec	Cinderella at the Maltings (am)
Wed 19th Dec	Christmas Lunch
Friday 21st Dec	School stops for Christmas holidays
Tuesday 8th Jan	School restarts

Anti-Bullying Week next week

We will be taking part in Anti-Bullying Week next week as part of the national 'Choose Respect' campaign. We think this is very worthwhile, and we will use this opportunity to understand better what bullying is, talk about how we can deal with it and raise awareness about taking care of each other. However, we will not be fundraising or dressing up for this, as we are already doing Children in Need and it would not be fair to parents to expect them to do this twice in a week!

