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It has been a long half term but the children have been brilliant right to the end. As part of our RE learning theme about Hinduism Pippa led a Hinduism themed art afternoon last Friday and we were delighted to welcome Kirtida from the Hindu Temple in Newcastle on Monday afternoon this week. She shared stories, art and music linked to her Hindu beliefs as well as giving the children the opportunity to dress up and join in the acting out of the stories. We think this has been really valuable to help the children reflect on their previous lessons in RE, create memories and enjoy learning!



Bikeability

Graham came into school this week to teach some of our older children level 1 bikeability. This was for children who could already ride a bike and they learned more about being safe as well as improving their cycling skills. The children did very well, being polite and determined whilst asking good questions. They thoroughly deserved their certificates and badges. Well done!



Early Years news

We would like to thank Canine adventures (Lizzie Bell) for sponsoring our weekly boogie beat sessions. Reception and nursery are having a fantastic time.



During PSHE our early years children have been learning about friendship and what qualities make a good friend. We decided to make a friendship pillow, as you can see it turned out brilliantly. A huge thank you to Olive who sewed the pillow with the children and thank you to Emma for all the lovely patterned materials we used to make it.

During Art this half term Reception have been learning about the artist Jackson Pollock. We looked at some of his paintings, especially the ones where he used a dripping technique. The children then made a large scale painting using his technique. We definitely have artists in the making!



Dates for your diary

Half term - one week holiday Week beginning Monday 30th October.

Thursday 9th November - main **school trip to the Discovery Museum in Newcastle** for workshops on the Great Fire of London and the Great Fire of Newcastle and Gateshead. Children will need a packed lunch or grab and go.

Friday 10th November - Remembrance worship - we are planning to do this at the war memorial in the village. **You are welcome to join us from 10.15am at Lowick school** for tea and biscuits before we walk down to the **Lowick war memorial for 10.45am**.



Monday 20th November - STEM Day (Science, technology, engineering and maths). We are looking forward to our STEM day this term. We have invited 'Professor Brainstorm' to come to Lowick and deliver two of his exciting workshops - the 'Magical Science Show' and the 'Mission to Mars' workshops. It should be educational, fun and inspiring.

Friday 24th November - our Winter Fair after school 3.30pm - 5pm at Lowick school - come and get your Christmas shopping sorted!

Thursday 7th December - Christmas jumper day and the evening performance of our Christmas musical.

Friday 8th December - the afternoon performance of our Christmas musical.

Thursday 14th December - we are going to the Maltings to see Cinderella.

Monday 18th December - our Christmas church service at Lowick church at 10.30am

Wednesday 20th December - Christmas lunch day

Friday 22nd December - our last day of term - we will be having our Christmas party on that day.

Halloween special for Holy Island

As the Holy Island children missed out on our Halloween lunch due to the tide times, Olive put together a special spooky platter for them to take back to the island!

