

Lowick and Holy Island C of E Primary Schools Journeying Together



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We have had quite a busy week this week. The children were learning about the Beaker People from the Bronze Age at the end of last week and made their own pots thinking about using decorations inspired by the pottery found by archaeologists. This week in art we have moved on to weaving - another Bronze Age skill. In history, we are thinking about tools and what they can tell us about the past, especially thinking about the end of the Stone Age. The children had a go at using a stone age tool (a big stone) to grind oats into flour. They described this process as "hard work", "gruelling", "a workout" and 'like grinding hail'! We then looked at a large mechanised modern mill and the children were amazed at the amount of computerised machinery involved in producing consistently high quality flour.

In maths, Class 1 have enjoyed telling the time, years 3 and 4 are doing good work around the 3x and 6x multiplication tables and year 5 had a go at the Primary Maths Challenge as well as working with decimals.

We also enjoyed our tiny bit of snow on Thursday and had a good play in the snow during breaktime before the rain washed it all away. If anyone has any spare wellies that their children have outgrown and that are still in waterproof condition, we would be grateful for them so that we can ensure every child has a pair in school so they can enjoy being outdoors in all weather.





























If you were an engineer what would you do?

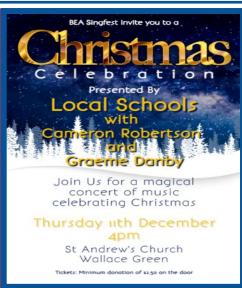
A couple of years ago, we took part in the leaders award engineering competition and did very well. We will be taking part again this year and this week our Class 2 children joined a live chat with James May (not the TV presenter) who has worked as a lego designer and a toy designer after studying engineering and then



product design. He talked about how he got his job working for lego, what skills he needed, which models he enjoyed designing (the camera and the typewriter) and gave advice for children thinking about becoming engineers or designers.

To begin the process the children will now need to look out for a real world problem which requires an engineering solution. Last time we worked on solutions to people driving into the North Sea on the Holy Island causeway, so we are on the lookout for another good theme to get the creative juices flowing! The children do not need to all do the same theme. To find out more about this project you can visit their website: https://leadersaward.com/







Dates for your diary

Thursday 27th November - in the morning we have a year 5 hockey festival at Longridge Towers. We will be back at school in time for lunch. Children will need to wear PE clothes. They will be using lighter balls so they have advised us that shin pads and gumshields are optional. If you want to send your child in with them, we can remind them to put them on but they are not necessary.



Friday 28th November - School Christmas Fair - please come and do your shopping at 3 - 5pm at Lowick school.

Wednesday 3rd December - School photographs 10am

Friday 5th December - Bingo evening to raise money for the schools - eyes down at 7pm at Lowick school

Tuesday 9th December - Christmas church service at St John the Baptist church in Lowick at 10.30am. Everyone is welcome.

Thursday 11th December

- Christmas jumper day (or own clothes) and Christmas dinner day.
- 4pm at St Andrew's in Berwick joint singing concert with other Berwick schools. The children will be performing a song altogether as well as something from our current production.



The afternoon of **Monday 15th December and the evening of Tuesday 16th December** - Our Christmas performances will be at Lowick school.

Wednesday 17th December - we will watch a live Christmas performance at the Straw Yard in Berwick in the morning.

Thursday 18th December - our Christmas party in the morning



Friday 19th December - our last day of term.

Christmas holidays from 22nd December for two weeks. Monday 5th January will be a teacher training day so no children in school. We will welcome the children back on **Tuesday 6th January**.