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The children have had a musical week. The older children are learning about the French for different musical instruments and they are all coming together to work with instruments and voice in music lessons. The children are also learning some Anglo Saxon themed songs and we are hoping to have a little concert near the end of term so that you can enjoy them too. In the meantime, class 1 had a go with the tuned boomwhackers with class 2 on recorders for a classic song!

In computing, Reception and Key Stage 1 have been using the Chrome Music Lab to create music through their different applications - using the 'song maker' (music through drawing) section this week. If you want to have a go at home you can find it here: <https://musiclab.chromeexperiments.com/> Key Stage 2 have been getting to grips with GarageBand - an app which allows them to compose music. They were creating tracks using three instruments on the ipads this week and we are looking forward to what they are going to do next.



In history and geography the children have been learning about where the Angles, Saxons and Jutes came from and their various shields and insignia. Of course, they have enjoyed designing their own shields too. In English class 1 have been looking at a retelling of Rapunzel and Class 2 have been advising Princess Frideswide what to do about Algar, the King of Mercia, wanting to marry her (from the book The Princess Who Hid in a Tree). There were excellent examples of empathy with the children able to put themselves in the mindframe of the characters as well as some fantastic advice!

## Bingo Night on 17th May

We hope you can join us for Bingo night at Lowick school on Friday 17th May (eyes down at 6.15pm) to help raise money for the schools. Money raised will go towards extracurricular activities (trips and visits) and new hard drives for some of our laptops to give them a new lease of life.

## Nursery TA job - maternity cover from September

You might have seen on our facebook pages that our advert for the maternity cover is now live on the North East Jobs website. We are very happy to chat with anyone interested in taking on this role.

<https://www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/>

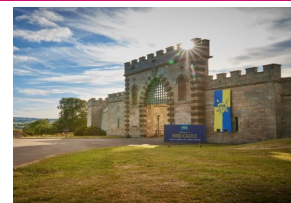
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## Dates for your diary

**Monday 6th May** - School closed for may day bank holiday

**Wednesday 8th to Friday 8th May** - year 4 residential at Ford Castle.



**Week 13 - 17th May - Enrichment Week**



**Monday 13th May** - skipping workshop in the afternoon at Lowick school - **children will need active clothing.**

**Tuesday 14th May** - main school trip to Branton Primary for a joint forest school afternoon. **Children will need outdoor clothing which may well get muddy!**

**Thursday 16th May** - Pentecost service in Lowick. We are excited to welcome **+Mark, the Bishop of Berwick into our school that day** and he will lead our procession from school to church and the service. **You are warmly invited to join us at 1.30pm at Lowick church.**

Friday 17th May - **Lindisfarne National Nature Reserve (LNNR)** are coming to Lowick school in the morning to do work around pollinators. They will be looking at moth traps and seeing what kinds of moth we have in our local area.

May half term holiday is the week commencing **27th May.**

**Tuesday 11th June** - visitors from Newcastle Castle are coming to lead our Anglo Saxon day. Should be fun and interactive!

**Tuesday 19th June** - Year 4 leavers' service at Newcastle Cathedral

**Monday 24th June** - RE Day: dancers from the Springs Dance Company are coming to lead workshops with the children on the theme of The Good Samaritan and telling stories through dance.



**Tuesday 25th June** - Etal cricket festival with other schools. Children will need active clothing and a packed lunch or grab & go.

*Pencil in: 2nd July - LNNR work on nesting birds (depending on where they nest - hopefully at Goswick).*



**Monday 8th July** - Celebration church service at St Mary's on Holy Island (or on the beach if the weather is kind). Sports afternoon at Holy Island school. Children will need active clothing.

**Friday 12th July** - partnership 'move up' day.

**Wednesday 17th July** - Holy Island day with outdoor activities including beach cricket. Children will need active clothing and a packed lunch or grab & go.

**Friday 19th July** - last day of school. **Leavers' and end of year assembly at 11.15am** followed by a picnic which parents and family are welcome to join us for. We are having our assembly earlier than usual as the causeway closes at 12.25pm on that day and we want to include our Holy Island children.