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This has been a very short half term but we have packed a lot in. We will be continuing with our Viking learning theme into the next half term. In RE we will continue with Sikhism before finishing the year thinking about People of God across different world religions.

Last week we finished the afternoon with a skipping workshop with Chris aka 'Mr Skippy'. The children tried very hard and their efforts paid off with some excellent skipping and developing skills from everyone.



This week the children have been considering how the 'Ik Onkar' helps Sikh people to meditate and think about God. The "Ik Onkar" symbol (ੴ) in Sikhism represents the concept of "one God" or "there is only one God". The children made their own Ik Onkar symbols and thought about the three principles of Sikhism - remembering God, working hard and honestly and sharing your 'bounties' with the world.



In history they have been looking at Viking artefacts we have on loan from the library service and investigating what archaeologists have found. In music, Class 2 children have been learning some Viking songs, inspired by our model Viking ship, ready for our raid on Holy Island next half term!



SingFest concert

We were thrilled that five of our children were able to take part in the SingFest evening concert on Saturday at Holy Trinity church in Berwick. The children performed 'Over the Irish Sea' to the audience on their own and sang beautifully - every word was clear all the way to the gallery and the actions were enthusiastic and entertaining. Charlotte has done a brilliant job with the choir and teaching the children the songs. We are very proud of you all and thank you also to the parents who came along to support.



Bikeability update

We had a fantastic last bikeability session. The children enjoyed playing control games such as triathlon which helped increase their confidence with moving and stopping quickly under control. Mrs Strangeways and Mrs Walton are proud of the children and their improvement in confidence and how well they can ride.



Dates for your diary

Have a happy half term week off next week and please remember that **Monday 2nd June is a Teacher training day - no children in school.** Also **no clubs on the first week back**, but child care is available.

Thursday 5th June - Countryside Day - school trip (not nursery). Children will need suitable outdoor clothing but with uniform tops on so we can easily recognise our children whilst we are there. Children will need a packed lunch or grab & go as we will be there all day. We should be back for normal finishing time.

Thursday 5th June - nursery are having a Teddy Bear's picnic at lunchtime. Stay and Play friends are invited to join us.

Thursday 12th June - whole school visiting Holy Island. Viking themed morning and beach cricket in the afternoon.

Monday 16th June - whole school trip to the Great North Museum in Newcastle. We will be back late as we plan on leaving Newcastle at 2pm.

Friday 20th June - Etal cricket festival with other local schools. Children will need a packed lunch or grab & go and wear PE clothes.

Friday 27th June - main school children will be walking the poles to Holy Island, as we do every other year.

Thursday 3rd July - art and work exhibition as well as open afternoon at Lowick school

Monday 7th July - whole school reward trip to Whitehouse Farm - we will be slightly late back - 3.30pm

Monday 14th July - Summer fair and sports afternoon (Wednesday 16th is our back up date). No after school club after sports day but child care is available.

Tuesday 15th July - Skipping festival in Berwick - class 2

Friday 18th July - 1.30pm end of year assembly and blessing

