

Lowick and Holy Island C of E Primary Schools Journeying Together



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Visiting the Archaeological Dig on Holy Island

The children from both schools were able to visit the Lindisfarne Dig and talk to the archaeologists working there about what they have found out. Firstly, we walked to the Heugh to visit the watchtower where we used compasses to work out what we could see in each direction. We sketched what we saw and labelled each sketch with the direction; north, south, east or west, north-east, south-east etc and some of us detailed the number of degrees shown on the compass. We then found a south facing viewpoint outside and used the compass again to check the direction or the degrees.

Next, we visited Nat, one of the archaeologists working at the Dig Ventures site on Holy Island. The children asked numerous questions about how archaeologists find out about the past. They were interested in how they knew where to dig, why they were digging there, what tools they used and how they could tell how old things are. They then asked about what had been found and were very interested to see some artefacts (bone, teeth, pieces of iron, shells etc) that had just been discovered.

We went into the village hall to see how the finds were cleaned & categorised. Nat had picked out some interesting items including Anglo Saxon name stones, coins, an iron pin and the remains of a bird which is now extinct. Nat told us that pieces of worked flint have been found on the island which tells us that people lived in that place during the stone age!

















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Harvest Festival

We had a lovely Harvest Festival service at the 'Fisherman's Altar' dedicated to St. Peter and the island's fishing community in St Mary's church on Holy Island. Rev Charlotte and Rev Sarah led a fun and engaging service for us all. The children shared their prayers and songs and we were so very grateful for the generosity of all of you for your food bank donations - there was an incredible amount and we hope that it goes some way to helping local families in need. Thank you so much!









Lowick Apple Project

The Apple Project in Lowick is being supported by the Northumberland Cidery at Etal who are experts on juice and cider-making processes. The project is about celebrating harvest and preventing food waste as well as raising funds for Lowick play park and church.

Lowick Village Apple Picking at the Community Orchard is on Sunday 5th October 1.30pm to 4.30pm with the permission and support of Tom and Karen at Hunting Hall. Space at the orchard is very limited so 'park and walk' would be appreciated where at all possible. Families and other locals can join in on 11th October at the Lowick village hall as advertised locally. In school we will be picking our own apples to join in during forest school next week.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 16th October - Stone Age investigation in our local area for years 1 - 5. We will be visiting the woodhenge at Maelmin as well as the Duddo stone circle. **Children will need outdoor clothing** and we plan to go after lunch and be back before the end of the usual school day.



Tuesday 21st October - Year 5s are taking part in the School Games Sport Organisation Crew Training in Berwick 10.30 - 1pm. **Year 5 will need a packed lunch or grab and go and to wear PE clothing.**

Week commencing 27th October - half term holiday for one week

Monday 3rd November - school reopens

Tuesday 11th November - Remembrance in Lowick.





Thursday 13th November - World Kindness Day - see the school of kindness website for more information: https://schoolofkindness.org/world-kindness-day

Pencil in: Our Christmas performances will be on the afternoon of Monday 15th December and the evening of Tuesday 16th December at Lowick school.