



Lowick and Holy Island C of E Primary Schools
Journeying Together



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We have had a good week. One of the ways we help the children to learn more and remember more is by helping the children make links through activities outside of the classroom as well as our usual lessons. In our history topic about the Stone Age the children have made Stone Age houses outside, created their own Stonehenges from classroom objects, had a chance to handle and draw artefacts including flint tools and objects made of antler as well as visiting an archaeological dig site on Holy Island. This week we visited the replica woodhenge at Maelmin in Milfield so that the children could get an understanding of the layout of the henges and also consider why Milfield was an attractive settlement site for people of the late Stone Age.

After that, we went to the Duddo stone circle which was created about 4000 years ago. The children investigated the layout of the stones using compasses and they also investigated which markings on the stones were from erosion and which may be human made including a hunt for cup and ring marks. It was very interesting and humbling to think we were standing in a place created so long ago in our local area.



Primary Maths Challenge

Now that we have older children we are planning on taking part in the Primary Maths Challenge for 9 - 11 year olds this November with Mrs Simpson's year 5 group. In their own words the Primary Maths Challenge says: "We are of the belief that the PMC encourages enthusiasm, boosts confidence in mathematics and shows the different ways questions can be asked. We believe in the importance of problem solving as a means of helping pupils develop their reasoning skills."

The year 5s are keen to take part this year and we hope they enjoy having a go! The important thing is that they have fun doing it and there is no pressure around their scores.

Reception update

Drawing Club is an approach which immerses children into a world of imagination and encourages a love of reading whilst at the same time enriching their language and fine motor skills - to read more about it see this website: <https://www.canigoandplaynow.com/drawing-club.html>). Our Reception children have been enjoying 'Christopher Pumpkin' in their Drawing Club sessions. They enjoyed making clay pumpkins, thinking about what you would find in a castle, constructing their own castle and making slime. Whilst the rest of the school was visiting Duddo stones they also found time for a bit of karaoke with the microphone and speaker!



FINAL REMINDER  **CAULIFLOWER CARDS**

CHRISTMAS PROJECT

 **Hurry!**
Time is running out

PLACE YOUR ORDERS AND RETURN YOUR ARTWORK!

Please remember to place and return your orders for Monday!

Lowick & Holy Island Christmas Fair

Friday 28th November

At Lowick Primary School

3pm-5pm

FREE ENTRY

Facepainting & Games

Raffle!

Stall holders

Festive refreshments

Stall holders



Bingo Night

Friday 5th December

Children welcome! **7pm**

FREE ENTRY...

Tea coffee, juice & festive refreshments!

Raffle

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All money raised will fund school trips and educational resources at Lowick & Holy Island Primary Schools.

Dates for your diary

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. You are welcome to join us as we join in with the village remembrance at the War Memorial in Lowick at 10.30am. We will have tea / coffee and biscuits back in school afterwards which you are warmly invited to enjoy with us.

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

We will also be having **our parents evening** after school on this day - please look out for a letter from the school office in order to book your time slot.

Wednesday 3rd December - School photographs 10am

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)

