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Nursery and Reception had an exciting week this week as they got to visit Busy Bees in Seahouses to try out their outdoor learning environment and practise their social skills. Both the staff and children who went on the trip told me that they had a great time and really enjoyed the visit.

We also welcomed Laura Miller into school as part of the Encompass Next Steps programme. She was working with Reception and Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) on the theme of friendships and relationships. She will be coming back next half term to work with Key Stage 2 (years 3 and 4) on a similar theme.

Thursday was Miss Hay's last day in school as she has now started her maternity leave. Mrs Edmison is increasing her hours to cover whilst Miss Hay is away. We are going to miss her but we are really looking forward to meeting her new baby in due course!

The following week is already looking pretty busy in the diary. Class 1 and nursery will be visiting the Heatherslaw Light Railway and the mill on Tuesday to tie in with their class book 'The Train Ride'. Year 4 will be visiting St Cuthbert's First School in Berwick to take part in the first of the transition events for year 4s across many of our local first schools.

Key Stage 2 (years 3 and 4) have been invited to take part in a Multi-Skills Festival on Friday 27th September at the Swan Centre. This will take place in the morning and the children will be back in time for lunch. On that day they should wear suitable PE clothing (tracksuit bottoms and trainers) but still have their school tops as they are representing us at the event.

As part of our RE topic of Judaism we will be having a special lunch on Monday 30th September. After a bit of research into special foods suitable for the Jewish New Year (Rosh Hashanah), we have put together a menu we think will appeal to the children and which will also symbolise prosperity and happiness for the year to come. We are looking forward to making Challah bread on Friday morning next week in preparation and we are grateful to Chris and Carolina for their support.

Rebecca



We are delighted to become a Music Mark School Member for 2019/20. We were nominated by our local Music Service to recognise the value we put on music in our curriculum. We hope to continue this work throughout the year. Several of our children are now receiving instrument tuition on top of their usual music lesson in school. We now have children learning the keyboard, violin and the guitar. We also commit to encouraging musical performances and a love of music in all of our children.





Will our school win £20,000?

Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving 20 primary schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school. What's more, every school who enters by completing their Aldi's Kit for Schools poster will also receive an exclusive school sports kit! Collect a sticker with every £30 spent in store and fill up your school's poster for a chance to win. Please bring your Team GB tokens into school as soon as you can.

Spellings

Year 1	'ss' Eg miss, kiss, hiss, boss, toss, fuss
Year 2	The 's' sound spelt 'c' before 'e', 'i' and 'y' Eg race, ice, cell, city, fancy
Year 3	The ending sounding like 'zh' is always spelt 'sure' Eg measure, treasure, pleasure, enclosure
Year 4	Homophones Eg missed/mist, whose/who's

After School Clubs

Please note that Mrs Turner's Playground Games Club on the week beginning 23rd September will take place on Wednesday (25th) instead of Monday (23rd). It will return to Mondays after that.

Mrs Strangeway's Gymnastics Club will run on Thursday as usual.

MacMillan Coffee Afternoon

This will take place in both Lowick and Holy Island Schools on Friday 27th September from 2-3pm.

Donations of baking would be much appreciated. Please bring into school that morning—thank you.



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 24th Sept	Nursery & Class 1 Trip to Heatherslaw Mill and Light Railway
Wed 25th Sept	Year 4 transition visit is to St Cuthbert's First School
Friday 27th Sept	North Northumberland School Games Multi-Skills Festival (Years 3 & 4) at the Swan Centre - am MacMillan Coffee Afternoon 2-3pm
Monday 30th Sept	Special Lunch to celebrate the Jewish New Year
Thursday 3rd Oct	Class 2 Skipping Workshop (children can wear PE clothes)
Monday 7th Oct	Trip to the National Museum of Flight (return at approx. 3.30pm)
Friday 11th Oct	Harvest Service at St Mary's Church on Holy Island at 10.30am — everyone welcome
Friday 25th Oct	School stops for Half term week
Monday 4th Nov	Staff Training Day
Tuesday 5th Nov	Children return to school Nasal Flu Vaccinations (please note change of date)
Friday 15th Nov	Individual & Family Photos
Wed 20th Nov	Parents' Evening
Friday 6th Dec	Afternoon Nativity Performance
Monday 9th Dec	Evening Nativity Performance
Tuesday 17th Dec	Whole School trip to see Aladdin at the Maltings, Party Lunch and Party Afternoon
Wed 18th Dec	Church Service followed by Christmas Lunch
Friday 20th Dec	School stops for Christmas holidays
Monday 6th Jan	School restarts for the Spring Term