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## 11th October 2024

We started the week with a fantastic day on Holy Island. We had our Harvest festival service at St Mary's which was a joy because of the beautiful singing by the children, their thoughtful prayers and the engaging talks from our clergy friends - Alex, Sam and Charlotte. It was also sad because we are saying goodbye to Sam as she has a new job in Wales.



After church the children went back to Holy Island school and the early years children had their Monday afternoon forest school on the island. The older children were finding out more about seeds and seed dispersal, documenting their findings with iPads at the Gertrude Jekyll garden by Lindisfarne Castle.

On Thursday, we welcomed the November Club Theatre group into school along with Lisette Auton (a wonderful children's author). We also welcomed Paul and Helen from the Lowick heritage group and found out a lot about the long history of Lowick, getting to see and touch artefacts they had found at the Hunting Hall dig. This sparked lots of story ideas for a very engaging afternoon session. The children created 'word hordes' and kennings as well as shared creative ideas. We look forward to welcoming the November Club back next half term.



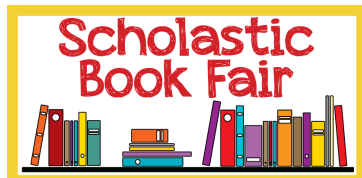
This half term reception and KS1 have been learning about how to be a good friend at school and at home. We discussed what unkind behaviour might look like and who would be able to help them with a problem. Lastly we explored strategies we could use to resolve conflict when playing with our friends. Here are some pictures of us putting our learning into action.



### Book Fair and competition winners

Our book fair is now open for you to visit, this will run until Tuesday. Thank you for all of the entries for the reading in an unusual place competition, they were all fantastic. The winners of the £5.00 vouchers are:

Wren  
Violet  
Noah  
Max  
Rory



### Kitchen news

Well done to Olive in the kitchen for achieving a food hygiene rating of very good!



We really appreciate Olives hard work and dedication.

### Dates for your diary

**Friday 25th October** - Halloween party at lunchtime - children can wear their own clothes, but please remember we have forest school that afternoon!



Autumn term half term holiday will be on the week commencing **28th October**. Children return to school on 4th November.

**Friday 8th November** - Remembrance. We will be taking part in a collective worship at the war memorial in Lowick at 10am followed by refreshments back at Lowick school. The community is invited to join us.

**Monday 11th November** - CSI Day - back by popular request we will be having a fantastic science day themed around forensic crime solving.

**Thursday 21st November** - follow up November Club day in school - creative writing workshops with the children

**Friday 22nd November** - our Christmas fair 3 - 5pm at Lowick school.

**Monday 25th November** - parents evening (a letter about this will be sent out nearer the time).

**Tuesday 3rd December** - school photo day

**Friday 6th December** - Christmas lunch day

**Monday 9th December** - 2pm afternoon Christmas performance; and  
**Tuesday 10th December** - 6pm evening Christmas performance (both at Lowick school)

**Wednesday 18th December** - Christmas church service at St John the Baptist in Lowick



**Thursday 19th December** - Christmas party afternoon

Christmas holidays are from the week commencing 23rd December for two weeks. Monday 6th January is a teacher training day, so no children are expected back in school after the Christmas holidays until Tuesday 7th January.

