



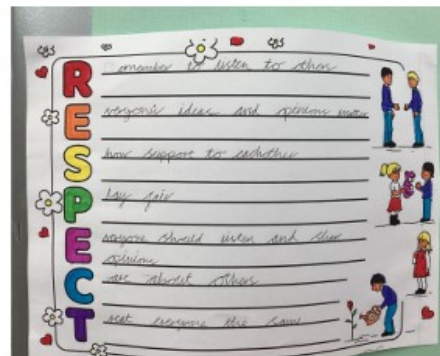
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The children have been doing work this week in PSHE about respect and how we can manage conflict. They have thought about how it feels when someone is disrespectful towards you and ways we can resolve disagreements in school. The children have created a 'respect' acrostic about our school values and ethos.



In science the children have been learning about creatures that hibernate - including hedgehogs, bats and some butterflies. They thought about the hibernation habits of hedgehogs in particular, what food they like to eat in order to fatten up first and the kinds of places they like to hibernate in. The children then made some 'hibernation dens' on our field.



Primary Update

We are delighted to have matched with our first choice candidate for the role of Year 5 & 6 teacher. We will be welcoming Mr Richard Keech onto our staff team full time from September 2026 and hope to work with him in the meantime to ensure a smooth transition. He is a great teacher with experience across the curriculum (as well as in SEND) and he is also fully on board with our school ethos and values.

November Club in school

We were really excited to welcome Lisette Auton and the November Club team back into school this week. Lisette is a fabulous children's author and she has been working with the children on creativity, ideas for writing and creating storylines. This was a hugely engaging day and inspired the children.



THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to the White Swan in Lowick who ran a pub quiz in support of the school and raised £170.

Christmas market singers

Thank you to everyone who was able to join us at the Barmoor Christmas Market on Saturday to sing some Christmas songs. We were delighted to receive nearly £75 in donations at the event which we will put into the school fund for enrichment of our curriculum.



Admissions for Reception next year

For parents and carers of children who will be transitioning into reception in September 2025 please note that the portal for applying for reception places is now open. NCC has asked us to remind parents, where relevant, that if your child is currently attending a school nursery, they must still apply for a reception place, even if their preferred choice is at the same school.

For parents to apply for a reception place they need to log into/create an account on the Northumberland admissions portal: https://schadm.northumberland.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en. If you are having any difficulty in applying, you should contact schools' admissions on schooladmissions@northumberland.gov.uk or by phone on 01670624889.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 25th November - parents evening
No club this evening but child care is available on request, please let the school office know.

Friday 29th November - Christmas crafts workshop led by Becky Underwood at Lowick school 6.30 - 8.30pm - contact the school office if you would like a place

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

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