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THE TIME FOR COLOUR!

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Enjoying Number Day!



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April	23rd	'Developing Life Skills Workshops'
	25th	'Developing Life Skills Workshops'
	26th	Bike ability starts
May	7th	May day
	10th	Class 3 visit Hadrian Special School
	25th	Half Term
June	4th	Return to School
	7th	Countryside day
	12th	Sean Simpson memorial football tournament
	25th	'Brinkburn Lifepath Workshop' Year 4
July	4th	Sports day and parents consultation
	9th	Whole School transition to new classes.
	19th	Performance of Three Little Pigs

Grace Darling the Heroine

Last term, Class Two learnt all about Grace Darling and the amazing heroic act she carried out on the Farne Islands. To get an insight into the dangers when out at sea, Class 2 visited the Royal National Lifeboat Institution in Seahouses. There, they got to see the different rescue boats used and the risks they put themselves at to save the lives of others. Children learnt many important facts about the RNLI and the school council got involved to help raise as much money as possible for the charity.

At the end of the term, Class 2 visited the Grace Darling Museum where they saw artefacts that once belonged to Grace and her family and the wooden rowing boat she used to save the sailors.

Forest School

Class 1 had an adventure in the forest school where they explored different activities based on familiar fairy tales. We acted out the Gingerbread Man Story.

We made different houses using different materials and hunted for clues based around the Three Little Pigs. We found Little Red Riding Hood and made treasures for Grandmas basket. Finally we made bridges for the Three Billy Goats Gruff.



Planting seeds with our gardener Paul.

Planting Seeds

We worked well together whilst we did the weeding and planted some seeds in our garden.

We would welcome any seed and plant donations to help us care about our environment.



SPOT THE STAFF!

See if you can identify who's who. Our children have been doing fabulous drawings! Portraits are so much fun - why not draw your friends and family.

DOING IT FOR SPORTS RELIEF!

All children thoroughly enjoyed the fun and games involved to help raise money for Sport Relief.

The whole school came together to complete a sponsored fun run through Dinning's Wood in Belford. Although there were some very tired legs, the children made it all the way around in great time and were back in time for lunch.

To end the day, the children completed a tricky obstacle course all the way around school. Thank you so much to all the parents that got involved with our sponsored run and to everyone who helped us to raise a fantastic amount for Sport Relief!

The Sill

After a long drive, Class 3 arrived at The Sill, their first job was to become archaeologists. Jack enjoyed excavating the chocolate chips out of cookies. They had to be very careful to not break the biscuits.

After lunch they were greeted by a hunter gatherer from The Stone Age. He showed us some of the tools he used to survive; he even showed us how to make fire using sticks and flint! India's favourite part of the day was walking up on the roof and seeing the view for miles around.

World Book Day

We read Little Red Riding Hood and then made sandwiches for Grandma's basket.

We learnt how to use the knives safely, cut the bread into halves and talked about health eating. We then wrote shopping lists and a set of instructions about how to make a sandwich.



Haggis!

This week we celebrated Robert Burns. We learnt where Scotland is on a map. We compared Scottish traditions to English traditions.

Thank you to all of the parents who came along to our Stay and Play. We hope you all enjoyed your haggis dinner and the Scottish dancing.



Our A-Z of Belford!

We are delighted to have the children's artwork on display by Mrs Pearson's office, with the thanks of The Percy Hedley Foundation who printed it for us. Come and see it!



A Healthier Lifestyle all round!

Educating children how to live a healthy, balanced lifestyle is vital to ensure they can make the right choices as they get older. In science, Class Two have been learning about The Eat Well plate and the different food groups we consume.

Children can identify which foods our body needs more of and the foods we should only have small amounts of. The children also recognised the importance of exercising for our physical and mental wellbeing and carried out an investigation to find out the effects extra weight would have on our physical performance.

A visit from Warburton's

This term, we invited a lady from Warburton's into school to educate us on making the right choices when it comes to meal times. She told us how important it was to eat a balanced diet and to drink lots of water.

After learning about healthy foods and high fat food, the children got to choose the fillings they would include in a sandwich to make it a well balanced meal. It was a lovely surprise to see children willing to try new, healthy food they have never tried before. Kaiden made a yummy sandwich with tuna and sweetcorn, however he did not enjoy wearing the hairnet and apron.

All Aboard Class 1!

We enjoyed a visit to the Aln Valley Railway. The children were able to experience a ride on a train and we learnt about how they are creating a railway track to reach Alnmouth. Thank you to the parents who came along to help us.



Going for Gold or Silver

In our class, we have high aspirations. The children are being authors and are choosing to write stories or books.



Some Eggcellent Creations!

What a great effort made by all to enter the Easter Egg competition this year.

We definitely have some eggspert artists in the school. Not only did the children decorate their eggs, they also made vehicles, homes and habitats for their eggs to sit in.

Carol Johnson, who manages the Coop in Belford, came to judge the egg competition, bringing along some eggciting treats with her. Well done everyone!



Robin Wood

Some of Class 3 excitingly went on a residential trip to Robin Wood. Finlay was terrified of being left behind in the pool, before completing the challenges, when the piranhas were released. However India was thrilled to take part in the escape rooms, "You had to work in a team with people from the class that we don't normally talk to!" Jack's favourite activity at Robin Wood was zip wiring over the trees, but before we could do this we had to say "Hey Maurice!" to a tree that had a face on it.



