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Shap Quarry

This year class 2 went to Shap quarry, it was such a rainy day that they could hardly see out of the bus windows! They visited the training centre and learnt how the quarry 400 million years ago was a tropical sea with tropical fish. Then they went over to see where they have been blowing up. George E was picked at random to click a button to blow some more stone out. He said "it felt like I achieved something amazing". BOOM! The side of the fell exploded before our eyes. After a while, they came down in some pickups and if they were lucky enough they got to go through the special car wash at the end.



By George W

Moving up to democracy

On 4th July it was General Election day. It was also transition day in schools so all the year 6s went to AGS and two children from class 1 joined with class 2. Mr Priestley spoke about democracy and the importance of voting. Then everyone went to the polling station at the village hall and saw how the voting was done as people voted.

By Evelyn



Question: How do we know the ocean is friendly?

Answer: It Waves!

London



On the third of December class two went on a trip down to London. They arrived at Penrith train station at 06:45 where it was icy cold and snowing. It took six hours to get down to London Euston. Next the class boarded a jam-packed tube train and soon arrived at Westminster station. The sight as we walked up to the pavement was incredible, the Elizabeth Tower. Within an hour, we were on a tour of the houses of Parliament. Holly said: "My favourite part was when we got to sit in the red chairs of the House of Lords." On a Thames river taxi the children saw Tower Bridge and the London Eye then walked to Tate Modern, a famous art gallery that used to be a power station. Finally they took the tube to Euston and back home. What a brilliant day.

By Reuben

Wrestling

Recently the whole school went to the Village hall to do Cumberland Wrestling. There was George, Thomas and Ella who were professionals. They taught everyone how to do Wrestling holds. Reuben played really well and beat me three times! Everyone played really good. Most of the people let go against Jack until he was taken down by Ruby. Later in the tournament Ruby beat Marta then played big George and she got swung around. George beat Jade and was the overall winner. Then we played Kings Meaburn vs Mauld's Meaburn. Mauld's Meaburn won!

By Jack



Class 1 Trips

Earlier this year, Class 1 went on many trips including: going to Maulds Meaburn to see and groom the goats before a show, they went to Maryport, the Lake District animal park, Carlisle Cathedral and castle, they built habitats at Mrs Holis's and they also went to a Hindu workshop at the local village, Asby. During their times at these amazing places they explored / created many items and increased their cultural capital as well as learning more about the topic at the time. They most enjoyed the Lake District Animal



Park where they groomed the goats and learned about the local area that surrounds them.

By Jade

Question: Why is Cinderella bad at football?

Answer: She runs away from the ball!

Sporting Excellence

There were lots of tournaments this year including: the Long Marton Shield, the Kings Meaburn cup, the Morland and the Shap cup. Everyone in Class 2 was part of a team at some point and we competed at netball, football, cricket and tag rugby. Incredibly, the football team reached 2 finals and controversially lost them both. The football team have some of the finest football players in Cumbria. The netball team have done really well in all their matches that they were in and went unbeaten at Warcop. The games continue for six minutes.



By Ted and Alice

Chess champs

In the spring term of this year, 6 children took part in a chess tournament at Long Marton. The children were: Cooper, Archie, Holly, Reuben, Jade and Rowan. They each played 8 games. They wrote their names on a slip of paper as well as the opponents (some of which they knew) then they started. At the end of the match the winners got five points and the people who lost got zero. Lots of talent was shown but the overall winners were Morland with 35 points.



By Cooper

Fell Ponies

Class 2 had a workshop with 'Epona arts' which brought a combination of fell ponies and art aiming to ensure the Wild Pony of the North will stand as a welcome to the region. Marta said: "I really liked making the fell ponies: the way the legs moved was brilliant." A fell pony called Marny visited the school and loved the grass on our field. Everyone was told how she would have been used in ancient times. She was expecting a foal sometime this year. The card fell ponies were being displayed in Rheged Centre.



By Holly



Forest School

On forest school day, all the children helped weave and trim the branches on the willow den roof. When they finished, they made fire, cooked cinnamon treats and picked up lots off leaves and sticks in a wheel barrow. That was really tiring but big George and Ted even cleaned the leaves off the road. Everyone had a choice of making a wooden mallet, a whistle or a sword. After that the pupils made clackers and they ate apple and cinnamon at the fire.



By George E & George W

Mr Tinkler



This year class 2 had a new teacher called Mr Tinkler. He taught many subjects such as: maths, English, science, history and PE. For the geography topic, he took the class in the River Lyvennet to study things that live there. He was always so much fun but told everyone when they had to be serious. Ruby said: "He was a good teacher and made us laugh." Everyone wishes Mr Tinkler well in his new job at Kirkby Stephen Primary School.

By Evie

Hawse End Residential

When year 5 and 6 got to school on a morning in March they hopped on the coach with their bags. As soon as they arrived with all of the other children from Asby, Bolton & Long Marton, they put their bags in their rooms and they got their gear on to start the first exciting activity. They went up the Cat Bells. When they got down the hill the children had their tea and went to bed. Over the next two days they did water activities like gill scrambling and canoeing and they even had a swim. Cooper said: "it was very fun and wet!" The final activities were archery and problem solving. Everyone had lots of fun and made new friends.



By Rowan

Question: What's a pirate's favourite school lesson?

Answer: Arrrrrr!

Reading is King!

Earlier this year, Tom Palmer visited the pupils of class 2 with all of his books including a plan of a one of his latest books that he is going to write in August. He questioned the class about their knowledge of his previous books and he also signed the pupil's books. On World Book Day, the children read in unusual places—it was a great hit. They had to find the weirdest place to read and then send a photo into the school to produce a PowerPoint on the photos. The children had an amazing time creating their photos. Ted said: "it was a very unusual experience."



By Jade

Christmas Fun

This year at Crosby the school have done: a school play about Scrooge, Santa came in and we went to church in the barn. Starting with the school play. We started to prepare the play two months before. Bobby was Cratchet's child and Archie was a gentleman. Next just before Christmas Santa came in and the pupils all got presents. Most of the boys got a Lego set and the rest got other toys. Lastly, we went to church in the barn and we got driven by Graham to the church. When the children got there and they had stable with sheep and donkeys and lot's more like: angles, King Herod and lots of other characters. It was a really fun Cristmas.



By Bobby & Archie

Our wonderful Year 6

Year 6s have had in an important year. They all prepared well for their SATS (which Mr Priestely says were brilliant) and when an RE inspector came in to inspect the curriculum and the school, Ruby and Archie did a great job of showing the lady round our wonderful school. In the middle of June, all of the Yr6 leavers went to Carlisle Cathedral to a special leaver's service where they got a candle and showed off our banner we made the year before. Every time the students have had a collective worship they light the candle in remembrance of the leavers of that year. In the last week, parents came to church to watch the leavers' service; Yr6 were all a bit gloomy as they were sat down ready to make their speeches. Most mentioned Freda's fabulous food. Marta commented: "It's really sad that I am going to leave primary school but I'm ready for the next step."



By Ruby

Living Things

Class 1 learned about living things in science. Katalina said: "I enjoyed looking at the stuffed animals but they were scary". There were lots of different stuffed animals that were brought for their science topic. Ezra said: "My favourite was the Golden Eagle because I liked the colour of feathers". Mary Wood (a local farmer) also came in to talk about sheep and lambs and explained how they clip the sheep for the summer coat.



By Katherine & Ruby

Last supper

A lady, called Virpi came in to school to teach class 2 stop motion. She has animated many films and videos including Shaun the sheep and the rock band Radiohead. She was born in Finland and has worked all over the world. She helped us make an animation of Jack and the bean stalk but it was set in the Ancient Mayans. Everyone worked in pairs and got different bits including drops and props! Ruby said: "It was a fun and challenging activity because you had to move the characters only a tiny bit each time you took a picture".

By Marta



More fun at Westmorland Show

In Autumn, all of the pupils decided to go and see Westmorland show and had lots to do all day like: looking at different types of machinery, animals and stalls promoting their business. Evie said: "I liked looking at the horses parading around the middle of the show field". The showground was a vast place. Everyone enjoyed a large 99 ice cream in the hot sun. Mr Priestley and Vanessa tried out the axe throwing while the children watched from the fence.



By Ruby & Katherine

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FLOAT	HAMMOCK	SPRINKLER	OCEAN
BEACH	SNOWCONE	WATERMELON	VACATION
CANOEING	HIKING	BARBECUE	SUNGLASSES

Question: What's the most expensive fish?

Answer: Goldfish!



Summer Fair Fun

In June the summer fair took place at school and there was a lot of fun and a lot of money was made. There were two bouncy castles which were bulging with children. About half way through a little, brown mouse scuttled across the playground. There were excited children everywhere. It was a crowded place and toddlers screamed with delight as they went down the slide. Katherine commented: "Everyone's taking my go!" It was the loudest and funnest place in the village.

By Jamie



Walk of Fire!

Our sponsored walks around our local area raised lots of money for charity again this year. Everyone in school joined in. When it came to which charity we were going to raise money for, most people voted for Archie's idea of the firefighting charity. They got £300 and the Friends of the school got £300.



By Archie