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Longridge Remembers

Remembrance Day Poem

Who died?

Who lied?

Who saved their luck and survived?

Never mind, they're all dead now,

And we won't remember them all anyhow.

Now they see their fallen foe,
Retreating, running, back they go.
But sometimes they come riding back,
Sound of a gun 'clack'.

I am dead.

But no-one sheds a tear for me,

My fallen body they don't see.

I feel death's kiss,

Me, they don't miss.

By Eloise Duthie



Boarding

On Saturday evening, the boarders enjoyed a bonfire party on Holy Island, to celebrate the British tradition of Guy Fawkes and the gunpowder plot in 1605. They were also treated to a spectacular firework display. On Sunday, they travelled to the intu Metrocentre, Gateshead for an afternoon of tenpin bowling and shopping. Everyone bowled really well with Jack and Sophia scoring strikes with ease; however, Carmen bowled like a professional and easily outscored everyone to win, well done Carmen!

With time to spare the boarders explored the many shops and cafes the Metrocentre has to offer, for some well-deserved retail therapy. This week the Boarding House wished Happy Birthday to Shameek and Eilidh who celebrated her 18th birthday.



Early Years Foundation Stage



This week the Early Years Foundation Stage children went off the pathways and foraged through the undergrowth, negotiated branches, dips, logs and jumped in muddy puddles. They had so much fun slipping, squelching, hiding and burying each other in leaves! They ventured to the fire pit and pretended that it was bonfire night and talked about how to keep safe around the bonfire and with fireworks. They enjoyed collecting lots of sticks and worked together to build our own bonfire! Following their outdoor learning they came back to class and made some paint splatter firework paintings and used gummed shapes to make rocket pictures.

Art – Doors by Form 3



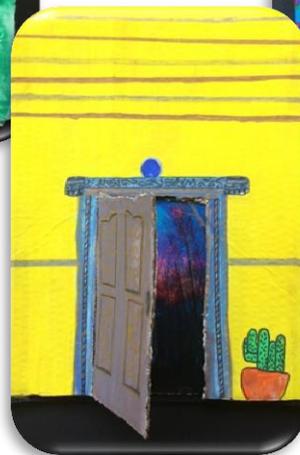
by Rory



by Mary



by William L



by Maria



by C-J

Team of leading educationalists from Denmark visit Longridge

Last week the Junior Department welcomed a Danish study group to Longridge. This was a great opportunity to link up with educationists at the start of their journey in implementing some of the principles of the Challenging Learning Process, and the visit was invaluable to our Danish group who expressed a great interest in the positive learning atmosphere they witnessed. A number of the delegates were enchanted by the whole vibe of the school setting - one specifically mentioning the 'magical feeling' it gave her. The group interacted with the children as well as gathered some background knowledge of the school curriculum and processes connecting with our School vision. It certainly gave the group lots to think about as they went on to experience different settings and contexts.

Form 4 Biology



Form 4 has started to learn about animal and plant body systems. In this lesson they dissected a pair of lungs and a heart. They saw that the airways in the lungs are extensively branched and the left ventricle wall is significantly thicker than the right one.

Form 2 Parents' Evening

There is a Parents' Evening for students in Form 2 on Thursday night next week, the 16th November. Your son/daughter was given a letter yesterday morning, containing a form for booking appointments. Please can you make sure that this form is returned to Mr Dodd by Monday morning. Thank you.

Modern Foreign Languages Day

Next Wednesday, pupils at school will experience Languages Day. Activities planned for various pupils include continental breakfasts, language sampling sessions including Swedish, Dutch, Mandarin, Slovak, Czech, Bulgarian and more. "Routes Into Languages" and the Catalan minister at Berwick will be delivering some sessions and talks during the day and there will be a concert of songs sung by pupils in foreign languages. Lunch will also involve foreign dishes.

Senior Badminton

Last week the Longridge senior badminton teams played home and away matches against Berwickshire High School. These were a great opportunity to practice their skills in friendly match situations. Younger students were learning about scoring for singles and doubles matches and our seniors were able to gain valuable video evidence for their G.C.S.E. Everyone played well and enjoyed the experience. They are now back into training and are preparing for the National Schools Competition in the New Year.

Big Painting Enrichment (Pupils from Form 1-4)



Pictured left are Jamie, Joel, Molly R, Cynthia, Teddy, Elle, Phoebe, Zeph and Annie's sketches in preparation for their large seascapes.

U18 Hockey

On Tuesday evening, the U18 team travelled to Newcastle to play the Royal Grammar School. As always, RGS fielded a very strong and well drilled team; however Longridge were not fazed and started very brightly. Unfortunately a couple of missed shots in the first half, including a 1 to 1 with the keeper, would prove costly. Despite Lindsey being on top form in the Longridge goal, RGS scored two good goals from the posts. After an extremely tense and high-intensity first half, both teams began to tire in the second half. Longridge struggled to find space in the attack and RGS were quick on the counter-attack. A superb reverse shot secured the third goal from RGS. Longridge were unlucky to lose a penalty corner on the final whistle, and with RGS pushing 10 players up to strike, Longridge conceded a fourth. This was very much a team performance with a much improved pace; however a special mention must go to Lindsey for some excellent saves under pressure.

Children in Need



On Friday 17th November we will be having an own clothes day to raise money for Children in Need, a charity which supports disadvantaged children and young people across the UK. As part of our fundraising activities we will be holding a 'Bake Off' as an alternative to our traditional cake sale. As part of this we encourage people to bake something and bring it in to be sold, however this year everyone has the opportunity to win a small prize if Mr Lee judges it the best of its category of either tray bake, cupcakes or buns/cakes. (Please could parents write on the boxes whether the cakes contain nuts or are gluten free). Activities in the Senior School include waxing the legs of several teachers and Sixth Form students and a murder mystery game to win a giant Pudsey Bear. All pupils can donate £2 for own clothes. For the Senior School the theme will be to wear one spotty item of clothing and in the Junior Department the School Council have asked pupils to wear their pyjamas!

Official Merchandise will also be on sale in the Junior Department from Monday 13th November.

U14 Hockey

On Tuesday, the U14 team played Eyemouth High for a friendly match. It was a fast end to end game with both teams putting the keepers under pressure. At half time the score was 0-0 and the team talk was about who could take these shooting opportunities. Unfortunately Eyemouth scored the only goal of the game in the second half and it ended 1-0. Players of the match went to Ingrid, who had a great game as sweeper making several excellent clears and Olivia for excellent running on the wing.

LTSDA News

Thank you to everyone that donated to the Bag2school collection. This raised a fantastic £382.80 from unwanted clothing.



Pictured left is the new reusable Longridge shopping bag, which the LTSDA are now selling. They will be available to buy at the school Christmas Fair but if you'd like to get your hands on one sooner, you can buy them from the office in the Stobo building, or Michele Burns in the Senior building or email lucygourlay@me.com. They cost £3.50 each.

The recent 100 Club winners:

September 1st prize - Tabitha Bell

September 2nd prize - Helena Wainwright

October 1st prize - Lorna & Jim Hutchison

October 2nd prize - Mr B Johnson

November 1st prize - Mr Charlie Evans

November 2nd prize - Bronwyn Armstrong

Community Links

Berwick Civic Society Remembrance Service

At the Main Guard, Palace Street, Saturday, 11th November 2017 conducted by Canon Christopher Smith

Order Of Service

- 10:50 a.m. Arrival at the Main Guard led by Zoreen Lady Hill
- 10.53 a.m. Canon Christopher Smith - Introduction to the two minute silence.
- 10.55 a.m. Exhortation - KOSB member
- 10.56 a.m. Last Post - Cornet, William Allis
- 10.57 a.m. Lament - Piper, Andrew Smith
- 11.00 a.m. Two minute silence
- 11:02 a.m. Reveille - Cornet, William Allis, Longridge Towers School

A Little Norham Christmas -Norham Village Hall, Friday 24th November 6-9pm

A whole new festive event coming to the village hall! A lovely Christmassy evening — a little bit of Christmas shopping and a chance to meet friends with a glass of fizz — all at the same time! And all in aid of charity! What's not to like? Handmade gifts vintage goods and artisan foods from local artists, makers and traders. Innovative gifts, including festive decorations and greenery, art, jewellery, baskets, candles, fashion accessories, toiletries, wood crafts, foodie gifts and other Christmas essentials! Tickets available IN ADVANCE ONLY — £5 each, with a free glass of prosecco (or soft drink) and canapés - and the opportunity to buy more - so over 18s only! Proceeds will go to the Great North Air Ambulance and Northern Soul Kitchen. Tickets on sale now — numbers are limited so please contact Tory Craig 07745130987 torylintoncraig@aol.com

Berwick Visual Arts – Celebration of Drawing Drop-in Workshop, Saturday 25th November

It would be appreciated if you could share the attached poster with your pupils and parents. It is for a free, drop-in workshop for all ages we are delivering on Saturday 25 November, 11-4pm in the Granary Gallery and YHA meeting rooms. Join artist Gill Walton for a day of drop-in art activity as part of Berwick Visual Art's Celebration of Drawing. Inspired by Charles Avery, one of the artists featured in our *Drawn from Life: People on Paper* exhibition, come and create your own character and add them to our alternative version of Berwick created by local school children.

Week commencing 12th November

Sat	11-Nov	<u>Rugby</u> : BRFC v Ross High (A)		
		<u>Hockey</u> : U16 Mixed Hockey v Dunbar Hockey Club	10.00	am
Mon	13-Nov	Form 5 Futurewise Interviews		
		U6 UCAS Mock Interviews	9.00	am
		<u>Rugby</u> : U18 v Berwick Academy (A)	3.00	pm
		Depart:	2.00	pm
		Return:	4.30	pm
		<u>Hockey</u> : U18 v Kings (A, The Parks)	4.00	pm
		Depart:	2.10	pm
		Return:	6.30	pm
		<u>Hockey</u> : U13 v RGS	4.15	pm
		Depart:	2.00	pm
		Return:	7.00	pm
Tue	14-Nov	EYFS Stay and Play	9.30	am
		<u>Hockey</u> : U15 v Bede Academy (H)	3.15	pm
Wed	15-Nov	MFL Languages Day		
		Form 5 Futurewise Interviews		
		EYFS Stay and Play	9.30	am
		<u>Hockey</u> : U13 v Mowden Hall (A)	2.00	pm
		Depart:	12.00	pm
		Return:	5.00	pm
		<u>Rugby</u> : U13 v Mowden Hall (H)	2.00	pm
		<u>Hockey</u> : U10 & U11 v St. Mary's (H)	2.00	pm
		<u>Football</u> : U16 v Berwick Academy (A)	3.00	pm
		Depart:	2.00	pm
		Return:	4.30	pm
Thu	16-Nov	Parents Evening: Form 2	5.15	pm
Fri	17-Nov	Children in Need Day		
		<u>Mini Hockey</u> : U12 County Tournament (A, The Parks)	1.00	pm
		Depart:	11.00	am
		Return:	5.30	pm
Sat	18-Nov	<u>Rugby</u> : BRFC v Penicuik (H)		

Forthcoming Dates for your diary

Tue	28-Nov	Sixth Form Information Evening	7.00	pm
Fri	08-Dec	Junior – Carols Around the Tree	1.30	pm
Fri	08-Dec	LTSDA Christmas Fair	2.00	pm