### BOWNESS ON SOLWAY SCHOOL



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#### DECEMBER HAPPENINGS

December has arrived so we are now gearing up for our festive celebrations! Your child may have lines and songs to learn for the extravaganza - we would appreciate your encouragement and support with this.

We are accepting donations of raffle prizes for the extravaganza, taking place at 9:30 on 17th.

Owls class will have a pyjama party this Thu 5th - pyjamas and teddies welcome!

Please see the Diary Dates section for a reminder of what else is happening and when.





#### ATTENDANCE

There are inevitably a few bugs doing the rounds. Children can come to school if they are well enough, but of course illness is a legitimate reason for absence.

Week beginning Monday 18th November
Owls: 80% Ospreys: 100% Kestrels: 99%

Week beginning Monday 25th November
Owls: 97% Ospreys: 94% Kestrels: 99%

## More News & Happenings...

#### NATURAL ENGLAND - PEAT CORE DIG

We had the pleasure of a visit from a representative of Natural England, along with an archaeologist and a scientist on Friday. They presented information about removing a peat core from the ground around the Rogersceugh area, taking place this week.

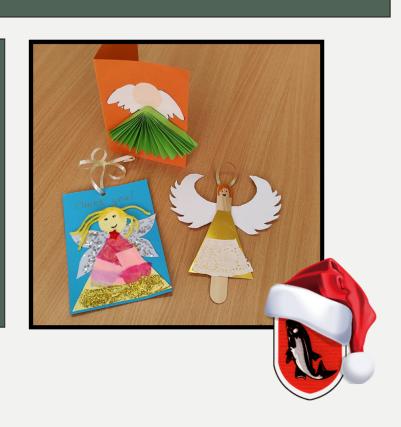
The core is about 10cm wide and will be around 7m in length, and will tell the story of the local landscape on the Solway since the glaciers left and the bog started to form. It could provide evidence of humans as we started to settle and change the landscape. The core will then be displayed locally. Representatives from the student council got to witness this exciting project! Keep an eye on our Facebook page for an update.

#### **SEEKING VISITORS!**

We continue to seek visitors who could give us 10-15 minutes of their time to talk to our children about their job, hobby or experiences. These do not have to be 'out of the ordinary' as we recognise that all jobs and hobbies are valuable. If you - or someone who you know - would like to share a few pictures or answer a few pupil questions, please get in touch.

#### ANGELS FOR ANGELS

All pupils took part in a wonderful project to provide 7,000 North Cumbria NHS staff with an individual angel card to say 'thank you'. These have been collected and will be distributed to our NHS super heroes!



# More News & Happenings...



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### DIARY DATES

4th Dec - hockey session for the

Kestrels - PE kit needed

Wed 11th Dec - Christmas jumper day

and craft afternoon

Tue 17th Dec, 9:30 - Christmas

performance - all pupils

Wed 18th Dec - Christmas lunch

Fri 20th Dec - Last day of term - party clothes for an afternoon disco

Tue 7th Jan - Spring term begins



#### **GOVERNOR SHOUT-OUT**

I would like to express gratitude to our school governors. They each volunteer their time to work with me and the broader staff to carry out vital duties including setting the strategic direction of the school. Our successes would not be possible without their engagement and support.

I'm sure you will join me in a big 'thank you' to our governors!

Governors are invited to our Christmas activities so please give them a big 'hello' when you see them!

FOR MORE ABOUT OUR SCHOOL:

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