

# Leeming and Londonderry C.P. School

## Newsletter

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What a busy Autumn term! We started the term with our topic 'Can you dig it?' which involved the children becoming geonauts and archaeologists, making discoveries about dinosaurs and life before humans. This topic also involved us investigating fossils and learning about the past from them. This current half term we have been studying the 'Rotten Romans' and have found out many disgusting habits that they had. We have also looked at Roman soldiers and the Roman army investigating their invasions and how they were eventually defeated. As Christmas approaches we turned our attention to the Christmas performance. All children have tried hard to learn their lines including the song words.



The Kings  
and Camels



Mary and  
Joseph



The Midwife



The Narrators

Steve - The  
Donkey



The very busy  
Romans



The Angels and the very  
bright Star

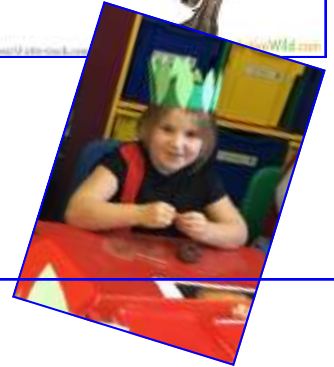


The Shepherds  
and their Sheep

## Dinosaur Trixie

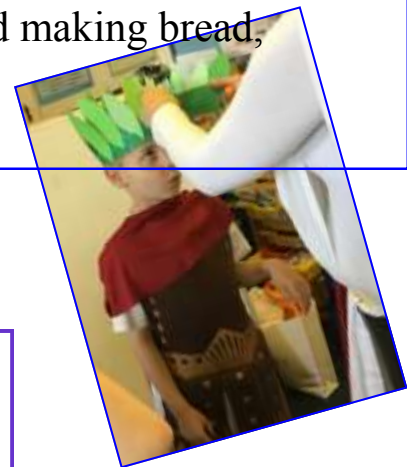
On September 11<sup>th</sup> 2017 geologists came with a dead triceratops body. There were 4 suspects Vicky Velociraptor, Trevor the T rex, Derek the Diplodocus and Malcom the Meteorite. We found a very tiny claw in the body we think it is a velociraptor toe claw.

We also found a T rex tooth in the body so the suspects were Vicky and Trevor. It was lots of fun and we hope to do some thing else like this.



## Roman Day

On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November we went to Pickhill Primary School to find out more about Romans. We met a Roman soldier who showed us the clothing he wears and weapons he would have used in battle. His wife showed us some more traditional clothing and also a disgusting brush they used when they went to the toilet. We enjoyed dressing as romans for the day, enjoyed our Roman feast and taking part in many Roman activities including making mosaics, roman coins, clay pots and making bread,



## Children in Need

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November, we donated money to charity. We all dressed up in our onesies and pyjamas. We made puppet Pudsey's, we used split pins. We had Pudsey cakes which were made by Eleanor and Danyl. Altogether we raised £56. Well done!



## Shoebox appeal

**Thank you to those who donated shoeboxes to the appeal this year. The children really enjoy giving them and understand that not all children are as well off as themselves.**

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December the PTA

organised a Bingo evening which was well attended and enjoyed by all. We raised money for school fund which will go towards helping fund trips and educational resources to enhance the children's education.

# Athletics

On December 6<sup>th</sup> we attended the Athletics competition.

Nathan, Hannah, James, Lewis, Katie and Abi all attended. It took place in Richmond Secondary school. Some of the events were running, throwing and jumping. We showed great sportsmanship during this event and it was the first time we had attended. We came 7<sup>th</sup> out of 12 schools.

## Sporting activities

### Swimming Gala

On November 22nd we attended the cluster swimming gala at Bedale swimming pool. Once again we showed great sportsmanship. Many of us came first in our heats with some of us winning races overall. On 22/11/17 the year 5's and 6's, Jasmine, Jacob we went to Bedale swimming pool to compete in the SWIMMING GALA! We all did very good and compete in different races we had a great time. Mr Pratt made sure we raced at the right time.



### Gymnastics Competition

After weeks of practise we competed in the Key Step 1, 2 and 3 competitions. Once again we tried our best and showed great sportsmanship. Both the Step 1 and 2 teams came 3rd and the Step 3 came 1st place. Well done Gymnasts.



### LEARN PLAY GROW

The LPG team came into our school and taught us a bit about sport. Nino and Lindsey taught KS2 and Anna taught KS1. Nino taught us tennis with Lindsey we all had a lot of fun playing tennis and having a talk about different athletes in the Olympics. Anna was doing a session with KS1 and she also did lots of fun activities with tap sticks and hoops. At the end the whole school got an LPG sticker. Everyone had a great time with the LPG team and now hope they will come back soon.

Abi



# Outdoor School

We went to Harrogate Showground to learn about the outdoors. We stored our bags in a cabin called the bee hive, there was a field just outside it, where we had our break time. We went into the woods and we got given some instructions to build a den. Some used natural materials and others used tarpaulin and rope. We also looked at all the signs of autumn. We have a hour long lunch break. After we have had lunch we go back into the woods to learn more. After that we go back to school. Our favourite part of forest schools is being outdoors, working with teams and making things with natural materials.

Nathan and Hannah



**Well done to everyone for continuing with the reading challenge. This term we have had two winners**



**Well done James and Finley.**



Hot Chocolate on the camp fire - delicious!

We wish everyone a Happy Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2018

School re-opens on Tuesday 9th January 2018