Brilliant books

On the 5th of March 2020, the whole school (and pretty much all schools in the UK) took part in an annual World Book Day where the children were invited to dress up as their favourite book character. The wonderful Taffy Thomas and terrific Temple Sowerby school joined the children for storytelling and riddle-solving. In every one of Taffy’s stories there was a moral and questions that the children had to think about an answer. “I enjoyed it very much because everyone came in fancy dress,” said Neev. “And Taffy’s stories were very interesting,” added Sophie. Overall the children enjoyed it very much and can’t wait for the next day books take over. To top it all, the Friends of the School unveiled £1000 worth of new books that had been added to both classes.

By Poppy

Exploding with fun at Shap Quarry

On Tuesday the 3rd of March 2020 class 2 went on a school trip to Shap Quarry! First they went to the training centre to learn about the history of the quarry and they got told about the safety rules. After that, the class got split into three groups to look at the Primary crusher, control room and dumper truck. Poppy said, “I really enjoyed the crusher even though it was loud.” Soon after the whole class got to see the explosion! Neev said, “The explosion was mind-blowing!” Lacey also said, “It was amazing!” Overall the whole class really enjoyed it and can’t wait to find out more about peoples jobs and careers!

By Sophie

Question: What does a cloud wear under its trousers?

Answer: Thunderwear

Future in safe hands

This year, the children were given various insights into their possible futures. These consisted of trips to Newton Rigg agricultural college, visits from nurses and solicitors, and the unfortunate cancellation of a doctor visiting, too. The children came to N.R College and observed various career choices, including floristry, agriculture and animal care. The tour was extremely helpful in the young ones’ search for future careers.

Later on in the year, Iona and Neev Renton’s Nursing mother, Jane, visited the school and told the children about her job. She answered questions and passed around some of her equipment. A solicitor named Sarah came in another day, and gave a talk about her job. She provided plenty of information about juries, lawyers, etc., but then Mr. Priestyley was arrested and put on mock trial! The professional solicitor of course, soon had him feeding on prison gruel.

By Danny

Forest School

This autumn Crosby pupils had an amazing forest school day. The children were split into groups to do different activities. The activities were: making patterns with leaves, making benches, using whittling horses, cooking over fire and looking for potatoes in vegetable beds. “It was amazing and I like the fire best because I liked using the Dragon sneeze to light the fire on the pixie pillow,” said Cooper in class 1. A dragon sneeze is a flint and steel and a pixie pillow is fluffed up cotton wool which lights easily. The teacher said, “It is better when you split it in half and add some Vaseline.” Then they would use the flint and steel to send sparks on the cotton wool and then it should light. Apples rolled in sugar and cinnamon were cooked over the fire on sticks. “They were delicious,” said Cooper. Overall the children really enjoyed their forest school and can’t wait for the next one.

By April
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On the 11th of March year five and six set off on their three day residential adventure to Blencathre Outdoor Centre. They went with two other schools, Asby and Long Marton. When they got there they went into a sitting room and they were told what they were going to do for the rest of the day. The activities were gill scrambling, canoeing, problem-solving and hiking which the children enjoyed very much. “It was so fun and I think it was the best residential ever!” said Neev. Every morning, lunch and evening the children had delicious meals, “I loved the food and I enjoyed making my own lunch!” quoted William. The children enjoyed it very much and can’t wait for the next school adventure.

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Before Christmas class 2 went to The Alhambre to watch a film called 2040. The film was about an Australian man exploring the world and talking about a healthy earth in 2040. It was inspirational and he showed a prototype of a car which didn’t need a driver and it was electric and he hoped all the public transport would transfer to that prototype by 2040. He also talked about using renewable energy and that by 2040 he wanted everyone to be using either: Solar Panels, Wind Turbines, Hydro-power or other renewable sources. The children all really enjoyed it and are now more conscious about how much power and energy they use.

Question: What do you call bears with no ears?

Answer: B

By Ayla

By Lacey

By James

By Ethan
Question: How do you pay for parking in space?

Answer: A parking meteor!
The day Pudsey Bear visited!

In November the children of Crosby took part in Pudsey Bear day. The whole school brought in their spare coins to place on the Pudsey bear picture as they do every year. This year the children brought in a record amount of money.

This children in need Day was special, as Crosby had a surprise visit from Pudsey bear himself. Pudsey stood in the hall and in front of everyone, the lady that was with him explained what Children In need Day was all about and how important the charity was. The children then had the chance to have their photos taken with him. Everyone had fun and Freda even Baked Pudsey bear biscuits for the children to have at lunch time.

By Kaylan

Transport Museum

Last term Class 1 went to the transport museum. The whole class were excited. Ted especially liked the motorbike section and Reuben enjoyed seeing the old cars. There were planes, hot air balloons, cars, bicycles and many more interesting motors. The children loved the guide who showed them around as he was funny and interesting. They were able to ask questions about the museum and really enjoyed seeing the display on the hydroplane Blue Bird driven by Donald Cambell. Donald died whilst breaking the 300 mph speed barrier in 1967 on Lake Coniston. In 2001 his hydroplane and remains were recovered. Donald was buried in Coniston and the hydroplane was given to the Ruskin museum. During the day, the children travelled on a bus, train and boat. They returned to school on Jo’s bus very tired but happy.

By Iona

Spanish Day

A Spanish lady joined Crosby school earlier this year to work with the children in class one. Her name was Sylvia. During her time at the school, all the children enjoyed learning Spanish dances, cooking Spanish food and even made their own castanets (a musical instrument). At the end of the week, the children dressed up in Spanish Flamenco dresses or white shirts and black trousers to give Sylvia a Spanish send off. Parents were invited to come along to an assembly where they watched the children perform some of the dances. Afterwards everyone got to try Spanish food that had been made by the children and adult helpers. Some of the delicious dishes on offer were: Magdalene cakes; Spanish hot chocolate Tortilla (Spanish omelette); Potato Bravas (potato cubes with a sauce to dip in); Pan con Tomate (Bread with Tomatoes on). A great time was had by everyone and they hope they will have another day where everything is all things Spanish.

By Frankie

Summer

By Iona

beach holiday hot sunny ice-cream