



10th Sep 2021

Welcome back everyone! It was lovely to see all the children again and hear about what they had been getting up to over the summer holiday. We have had a good start to our new year so far.



We have had a few days to re-establish school routines and to get used to being in new classrooms and looking at what is the same and what is different from last year. The children have settled in very well and have been a pleasure to have in school.

### Lowick Leek Club Show Day

We have been preparing our entries to the Lowick Leek Show which is on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September at the White Swan. The children have done paintings and handwriting entries. If you want to take part, please see the leaflet which went out to parents on Thursday. All entries are to be staged by 12pm.

### Lowick Leek Club



Show Day  
12th September 2021

At The White Swan

All subject to change depending on Covid restrictions.

To be confirmed.  
Auction of goods.

All items to be collected at 5pm,  
Prize Giving  
Raffle.

### After school clubs this half term:

From next week we will be offering the following clubs free of charge 3 – 4pm:

Monday: eco-club

Tuesday: outdoor games

Wednesday: gardening club

Thursday: Commando Joe's club



### Reminder!

Please remember swimming, Commando Joe's and forest school start again next week. Children will need their swimming costumes/trunks and towels etc on Wednesday and they can wear active clothes on Thursday. We have forest school on Friday afternoon so the children will need to have appropriate outdoor clothing for that (either sun hat or raincoat!)

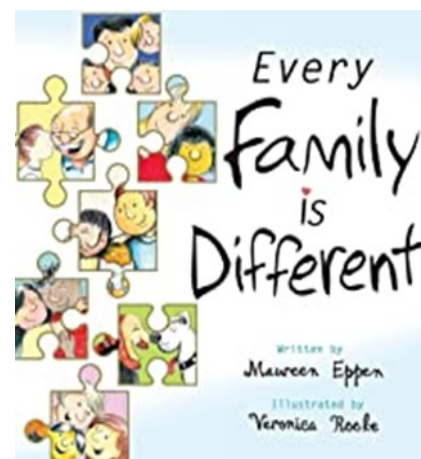
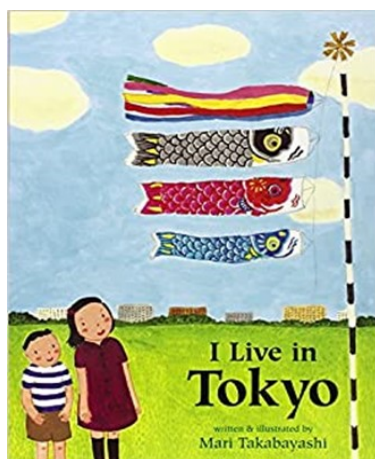
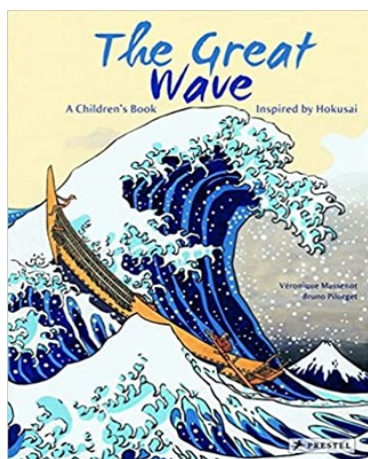


### Stay and Play

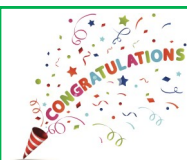
Stay and Play is running on Thursday afternoons 1.30 – 3pm for children aged 0 - 4. Everyone is welcome!

## Curriculum information

Our class books for the beginning of this half term are *The Great Wave* (inspired by a woodcut by Hokusai) by Veronique Massenot in class 2 and *I Live in Tokyo* by Mari Takabayashi in class 1. Both of these books fit in with our theme of Asia: China and Japan. In PSHE we will be using *Every Family Is Different* by Maureen Eppen.



In history we will be looking at the Shang Dynasty from China during the bronze age. As part of this we will be thinking about how we know about the past. We are delighted to be invited to **visit the archaeological dig at Hunting Hall on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** to find out more about this first hand. More information to follow shortly.



### Eco-School News

We are back for a new term of Eco-Action and have begun the term by receiving exciting news about our recent competition entry!

Many congratulations to everyone at Lowick and Holy Island First School on being Highly Commended for your project 'Eco-Schools: Waste not Want not.' in the Better Energy School Awards 2021! In an incredibly challenging year for schools, we still received entries from over 13,000 children, so being selected to win an Award is a real achievement, especially as standards remained very high this year.

We particularly liked your Toy Swap idea and we can see that this will both be a popular initiative and also help reduce both the amount of waste ending up in landfill and the need to produce new goods. The recycling centre is great and we hope these ideas will develop further in the future.

Your school's prize will be sent via bank transfer soon and should be with you before the end of next week. Thank you once again for taking part in the Better Energy School Awards and for helping your students to learn more about taking care of our world.

This week we discussed what we would do with our prize money. We decided that the right decision would be to use the money to do more 'Eco-good'. We will be 'twinning' one of our bins and one of our toilets with a less fortunate country of our choice, and will be learning a bit about each possible country before we decide.

In addition to this, we have completed our activities as 'Explorers for the Global Goals'!

We have made a Peace Path, Little Homes, We <3 our Planet art, Friendly Walls, and Maps for New Friends, and in doing this achieved our certificates showing that we are curious, creative, empathetic communicators and problem solvers. Each child also chose a sticker of the Explorer that they identify most with. Well done everyone, we will continue to be Explorers for the Global Goals in everything we do.

Miss Easten



BETTER ENERGY SCHOOL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION



Congratulations to Lowick and Holy Island First School

TOTALLY ACTIVE HIGHLY COMMENDED 2021 FOR THEIR PROJECT 'Eco-Schools: Waste not Want not.'

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## School Packs

Thank you very much to everyone who has returned their forms that were sent out on Wednesday. Please can all the forms be returned by Monday so we can update everyone's information. If you would like a paper copy of the Menus sent out every week just let the office know.