

# Seahouses 2017

In May, the Year 6 children took part in the annual residential to Seahouses, Northumbria. As always, the children had a fantastic time and gained a huge amount of experience from the trip.

## DAY 1



After a long coach journey the children were desperate to stretch their legs. It was pouring down but that didn't stop them paddling and having great fun on the beach.



Exploring rock pools, finding sea creatures, playing football and building sand sculptures is surprisingly good fun in the rain!



# DAY 2

On day two. The children visited Lindisfarne. The island gets cut off by the tide for six hours every day so we spent a long time exploring the island and learning about how it became known as 'Holy Island.'



The children learnt about St Aidan and how he was a central figure in the establishment of Christianity in England.



They visited an Island where St. Cuthbert stayed for four years to meditate.



In the church on Holy Island is a monument to St. Cuthbert whose body was taken around the north east after his death. St Cuthbert's church in Darlington is named after him as his body was taken there.



And of course, there was plenty of time to have fun in the sea!

# DAY 3

We headed up the coast the village of Bamburgh on Wednesday. This historic village is the home of the majestic Bamburgh Castle and the church in which St. Aiden passed away. We also visited the Grace Darling Museum to learn about this heroic local figure.



In the church, there is an eternal flame burning in the place where St Aiden passed away. We lit candles for people we wanted to remember and to say prayers for those in need.



Grace Darling is buried in the church grounds. We visited the tomb of this light house keeper's daughter who rescued nine people from certain death in the stormy seas of the Farne Islands.



We then visited her museum and learnt about her famous rescue and about how she lived. Some of us quite liked the idea of living in a light house but others were definitely not keen on the idea!

Finally, we got to visit the castle. The children learnt about the history of the castle and heard a few scary ghost stories.



After they had finished in Bamburgh, the children walked three miles along the beach back to Seahouses. We were glad of an early night!

# DAY 4

On the final day, we took a boat trip around the Farne Islands and stopped to look around Inner Farne. Take a look at some of the remarkable wildlife and sights we saw whilst out at sea.

