

Poem

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Heave up the anchor, lets get going,
Back to the mines that still want
mowing,
This mine sweeping business, it is
no cinch.

It clatters and bangs and goes in
jerks,
There's always danger whenever it
works.

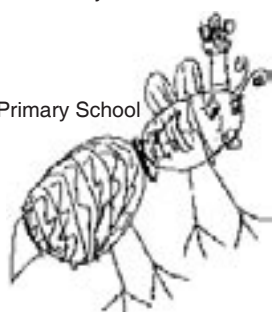
We sweep the mine field then heave
in the gear,
And when it's aboard, we are free
from fear,
But if things go wrong we could be
blown to hell.

After one sweep, we start again,
And lower astern our paravane,
Then it goes the cutter and the kite,
To sweep up the mines, off the Isle
of Wight.

These moored mines are under the
waves,
Hoping to blow up the U Boat
braves,
And should they bump one, it will
cause an explosion,
And finish up on the bed of the
ocean.

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Rebecca the Busy Bee
by
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Solway Community School



Opera Workshop

Year 10 and 11 Music and Drama students enjoyed a lively session of singing, story telling and drama arranged by Lakeland Opera. Two lead soloists performed the main tunes from Bizet's Carmen with student help. The grand finale saw students performing the Toreador song and acting out the final procession, before the two soloists took centre stage and finished the opera off with its chilling conclusion.

West Cumbria Partnership Community Vision Conference

Ten students from the School Council represented the school at the Community Vision Conference in Whitehaven. The West Cumbria Partnership is consulting young people as it writes it's strategy plan for West Cumbria. This will be published in April 2003. Students attended a number of workshops to have their say in planning the way forward. They were also entertained with a talk from the British Climber Alan Higgins. It was great to see our young people playing a part in planning the future of our area.

Year 9 visit the Anne Frank Exhibition and the Border Regiment Museum in Carlisle

The year 9 students enjoyed an informative visit to Carlisle on the 11th October. In the morning they visited the Border Regiment Museum and were given a talk by Stuart Eastwood on WW1 artefacts. In the afternoon they took in the Anne Frank Exhibition at Tullie House. The trip was a joint History/Citizenship and all the students enjoyed themselves and learnt a great deal.

Sports News

North Cumbria School Hockey trials took place on Saturday 7th September at Caldew School on an all weather pitch. Four girls took part at under 15 level in a series of skills practice and matches. Fern Bell (yr10) was successful in being selected for the under 15 development squad for North Cumbria. Congratulations to her and Mrs Brown who coached the group.

Netball League Positions 2001-2002

U12 4th U14 6th U16 4th U13 8th U15 2nd

Solway Community School finished 5th in the West of the County but won small schools league. Congratulations to all who took part. On Wednesday evening 30th October we had some great results: Soccer v St. Josephs Under 12 won 10-0, Under 14 won 4-3.

Buzz Joke

A Bank Manager in rural Cumbria went out to visit a farmer. When they had done their business, he was taken on a tour of the farmyard. In a pig pen he saw a large white pig with a wooden leg.

"That's the bravest, most intelligent pig in the world," said the farmer.

"What happened to it?" asked the bank manager.

"Aye, weel," said the farmer, "there was a fire, ye see."

"In the yard?"

"No, no. In the hoose. The hoose went on fire one night when we were every one of us fast asleep. The pig jumped over the wall and broke in through the back door to tell us. I woke up with his feet on the bed. A brave pig!"

"Was he injured in the fire?"

"No, no. He went back inside again and dragged out the bairns, all three of them, with his teeth."

"What a marvellous animal."

"Aye," said the farmer. "We owe our lives to that pig. There's not a finer pig in all the land."

"But how did he get the wooden leg?"

"Ach well," said the farmer, "if you have a pig of this quality, you don't eat him all at once as if he was some common animal."

Bouncing Bee
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