Solway Mexico Link cont'd



Dignitaries & guests at the welcome ceremony

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A Ceilidh was held at the school on the Wednesday evening, this was a great success with everyone thoroughly enjoying the dancing, bagpipe playing and demonstration of sword dancing. The bar was provided by Shona of the RAFA Club.

A Karaoke was arranged by Mr Crawford for the Friday evening and Mayor Allison kindly gave a room at the Albion for the event along, with a wonderful supper. One highlight of the evening was the presenting of a beautifully decorated cake, made by Mrs Caulfield, especially for the occasion. Delicious!

The last day of the visit was another memorable day with a visit to Caerlaveroch Castle, with lunch at the Hazeldene Hotel, and a tour of the Old Blacksmith Shop at Gretna Green. In keeping with tradition, three of our couples were married over the anvil and much to our amazement

and amusement were congratulated by visiting tourists!

As the fortnight has started, so it ended, in the Golf Hotel. A difficult parting, as our friends had over the two weeks truly become part of our lives. Auld Lang Syne was sung on the street corner and eventually after many hugs and tears we said goodbye.

Now a couple of weeks later, looking back on what was an incredible fortnight, the culmination of 18 months planning, it is still difficult to assess the impact the exchange visits have had on ourselves and our communities.

Certainly our lives will never be the same again, the friendships forged are still going strong with the chat lines red hot on most evenings! The changed outlook of all our young people involved, never again will they look at someone from another culture and assume they know what they are going to be like.

The Solway Mexico Link has only just

Christ Church with St Pauls

Many of our activities have not been taking place over the summer holidays. They will be resuming when the school term starts.

Mums and Minis: Wednesday 3rd September, 1.30pm Youth clubs: Pebbles: Wednesday

3rd September, 4.15pm 7-Ups: Wednesday 3rd September, 5.00pm

Bulldogs: Wednesday 3rd September, 6.15pm

Uppers: Thursday 4th September, 6.15pm Upper uppers: Thursday 4th September,

7.30pm All these will take

place in Christ Church Hall. Contact person: David Pigeon

Xmas

Lights

Sponsored Walk

There is to be a

sponsored walk from

All money collected

will go towards the costs

Silloth to Maryport

of maintenance and

electricity for Silloth

Departure from

Inn on Saturday 13th

There will be a stop

for light refreshments at

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For further information

September at 8am.

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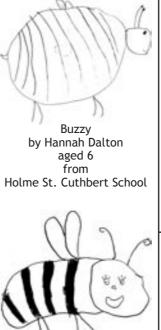
Christmas Lights.

outside the Albion

along the beach.

Monday evening Bible Study and Prayer Meeting - Monday 15th September, 7.30pm, in the Vicarage. This is open to members of all the churches and all are welcome to join us. At the first meeting we will be planning out our studies for the next session of meetings. Contact person: Alan Byrom

Chataround Monday 15th September, 7.00pm, venue as arranged. A group for ladies who meet to discuss issues that are important in life today, and how the Christian faith relates to them. Contact person: Barbara Todd





Tel: Debbie Armstron on: (016973) 31542

Champion Showjumper

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Douglas Bowman presenting saddle Malcolm Mason

Malcolm Mason of Abbeytown and his horse Shady Canadian topped off a highly successful winter season of showjumping when they won a beautiful saddle at Greenlands Equestrian Centre near Carlisle.

The season should have been completed some weeks ago, but suspense was maintained for a little while longer when it had to be postponed. Class sponsor Dougie Bowman of Lowther Equestrian presented the saddle to Malcolm, who's perhaps better known locally as the main man in country band Lemon Grass.

Malcolm and Shady Canadian (who's known as Max at home) are now being sponsored by local feedmerchant Montgomerie Feeds.



Dozy Bee by Alistair Ledingham aged 10 from Holm Cultram Abbey School

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