

## *Trips* 2003/4



### Year 3 Lambing Report

On Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April 3R and 3J went to Road End Farm. We were very lucky with the weather, as it was a lovely sunny day. John the Shepherd showed us around and we saw two lambs being born, one needed a little help. We walked across two fields to see lots and lots of sheep. We saw an orphan lamb who tried to follow the bigger lamb around to try and get some milk. One sucked my finger. Shepherd John had to rescue a lamb from dying. We had a great time!

*Helen Butcher*



### Year 8 Trip to the Lake District 2004

*'Ducks and pigs and geese better scurry....'* Year 8 are on a trip!!

Rarely have I seen 44 children of an 'impressionable' age show so much enthusiasm and pleasure in the countryside as the Year 8 showed on our trip to the Lakes this year. They were in awe of the magnificent scenery and revelled in the opportunity to experience this part of Britain.

Rarely have I seen 44 children enjoy each others company so much for 5 days and work together in their groups to get the jobs completed - even the washing up was done cheerily with a song or two, (the lyrics were occasionally suspect but they were in tune!)

As school trips go this ranks as 'one of the best' and we would like to congratulate all the Year 8 for the magnificent way they responded to this trip.

Admittedly there were a few cross words, especially when I got my leg burned by bacon fat on the first morning (still bear the scar!) but overall I think the pupils had a fantastic trip and enjoyed the activities.

Gorge Scrambling proved to be favourite for some whilst others preferred Canadian Canoeing on Lake Coniston (isn't that an alliteration?). For some the hike to the foothills of Bow Fell proved to be memorable. Regrettably for the second year running we were unable to scale Bow Fell due to low cloud and poor weather. However in the lee of the mountain we enjoyed a not too rugged walk to Mickelden where some well earned bathing, dam building and general 'chilling out' took place.

In the evenings at the Youth Hostel 'wheelbarrow cricket', football and general preening were interspersed with a modicum of work and duties.

I am sure that the trip will be a Vinehall highlight for many of the Year 8 but this would not be possible had it not been for the staff 'Team'. Thank you all!

*NJ Butcher*