

Pippa's News – Autumn 2021

I hope you all have enjoyed a lovely summer. I have. Not much warmth, but not much rain either! Shall I tell you about my holidays and what I have been up to?

Well... Firstly, I have been staying up at the lodge in the Lake District, my other home. I love it there, with the Lake and all the trees. But you do remember I don't swim in the Lake unless my Mum tips me in off the boat - by accident of course! Just a gentle paddle, and a quick lick of the lake water, is enough for me.

Then I have been to mid Wales. Now that was a treat! We just stayed 4 nights in a very colourful Inn, and we visited the castle at Powis. Alas, I had just to gaze at it from afar. No dogs allowed, don't you know!

Then we travelled onto Herefordshire to stay with friends. I have been before, and I like it because it smells of apples and fruit.

Here I had an encounter with the biggest white cat I have ever seen. Honestly, it was as big as me! I came round this corner in the farmyard, and there it was! We were nearly nose to nose. I looked at him, he looked at me, we stared, wrinkled out noses, then he arched his back to make himself look even bigger! I stood as tall as

I could on my short, little, legs and then... He strolled one way, and I strolled the other, without a care in the world.

My Mum says she was holding her breath because I hate cats and always chase them. Actually, I don't think it was a cat, more like a huge white tiger. You can't get cats that big! Brave wasn't I?

More exciting news... with my 'Pets as Therapy' coat on, and on my very best behaviour, I now visit Hollymount RC Primary school and, very soon, Belmont Special Educational Needs School, to help the children read. We all have a great time.

And that is that. Another summer gone and now there is a slight nip in the air. Time to put the heating on and snuggle down by the fire. Autumn is upon us!

I do hope you enjoy the Autumn Edition of the Friendship Club. We have had great fun putting it together. Every time somebody comes to record a story or poem, I get a fuss and a treat. No wonder I love the Friendship Club.

See you next time for Christmas. I might even wear my Christmas hat!

God bless