

**Merry Christmas  
And  
A Happy New  
Year**



# Young Marvels Newsletter

December 2015



Merry Christmas to you all! We hope that you have a good time and that Santa brings you something special.

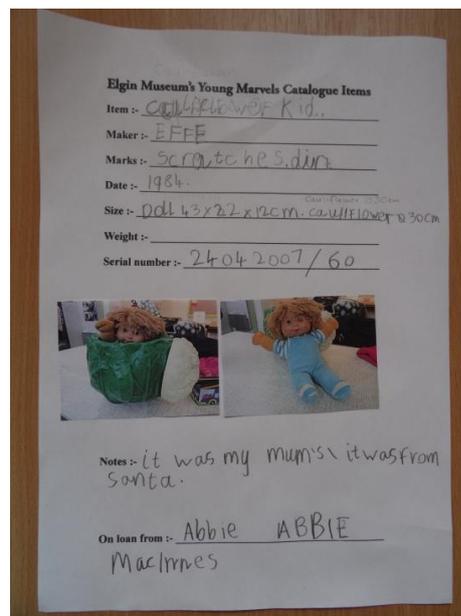
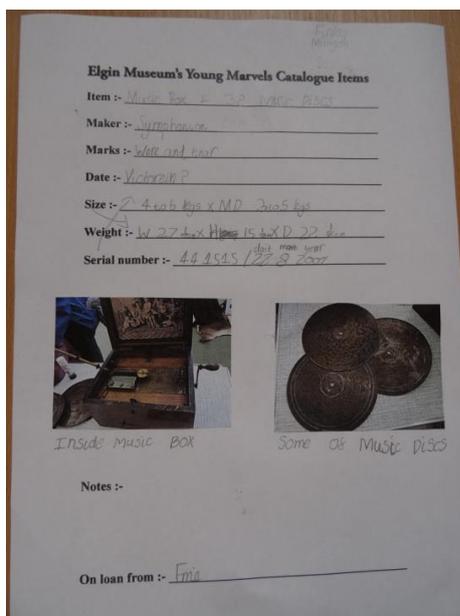
As you probably know we are closed for the winter season, but that doesn't mean that we sit around eating yummy Christmas cakes and chocolates! Lots of things will be completed over the winter, with display cases updated, objects conserved and catalogued and activities and events planned for 2016.

The big change that you will see when you come and visit us next year will be a new Pictish stone. The Dandaleith Stone is coming to the museum over the winter, this means lots of reorganisation of the Pictish stone display already in place – the big issue is how to get the new stone through the doors!

We have planned a number of exciting events for families and visitors to come along to, all based around the theme of 'The Picts'. Keep an eye on our Facebook/Twitter feeds and our website for more information.

## Young Marvels Event 2015:

We had a great time with some of our new members when we held our event, the children who attended brought along a family heirloom that we catalogued and we had a tour of one of the store-rooms. We are hoping to run a similar event next year so keep watching!



Just a couple of our cataloguing sheets

## Halloween Event 2015:

We had a spooky time making lots of Halloween themed crafts at this event – we were so busy we didn't get a chance to take any pictures! However, there were spiders, webs and scary loo roll monsters wandering around the museum, as well as our Halloween trail that kept our visitors busy.

### **Volunteers Tea Party 2015:**

We had a lovely time at our annual tea party to thank all of our wonderful volunteers who help out at the museum. We certainly couldn't put on as many activities if it wasn't for the dedication of our volunteers. So we would like to say a big 'Thank You' to all those who have helped out over the year.



If you know of any adult who might like to get involved with us at the museum then get them to come in and fill out a volunteer form.

Finally we would like to thank all of our Young Marvels for joining us at the museum. We look forward to seeing you all again next year – when we will tell you about an exciting project that we are running especially for you alone!

Merry Christmas!!