

## Caves around Shetland

Wan fine sunny day dir wis a peerie boy caaed Joahny wha bade wi his mam, dad and his peerie bridder, Fraser in Sandsound on da wast side o Shetland. Since it wis a boanny day Joahny and his dad, Jeamie decided tae go for an explore at da shore near tae dir hoose. While dey were climmin in da rocks, dey fun a cave. It wis a bright, light and sunny cave becis dey could see da sunshine comin intae da cave fae da daylight ootside.

While dey were dere, Jeamie decided to tak twartree photos and dan he gied back intae da cave tae hiv a look fur some crabs and starfish wi Joahny. Oot o nowhar, da tide cam in an da röf startit tae faa doon! Whit a gluff dey got! Dey were just aboot tae jump intae da waater when all o' a sudden da cave sookit dem both back in again! Dey were faert an really didna keen whaar dey were.

Dan Joahny and Jeamie fun a tunnel and dey startit tae craal troo it but while dey were craalin', Jeamie shouted oot, at da tap o his voice, 'TROW!'.

'Aaaargh!' shouted Joahny, terrified!

'Hiyie!' said da trow. He wis green but his fiss, feet, haands and belly were as white as snow. His hair wis grey, short and spikey but he hed a muckle smeeg on his fiss.

'H-h-h-hi-yie...' answered Joahny, nervously.

'Dunna be fairt boy, I'm de pal!' said da trow.

'O-o-o-o-k-k-k-k dan' replied Joahny. He wisna so sure aboot da trow.

Efter a peerie yarn, da trow said 'Follow me!' so Jeamie and Joahny followed da peerie trow in da tunnel tae...

... da Norwick beach in Unst! 'We love dis beach, don't we Dad?' axed Joahny, surprised. 'Yeah,' said Jeamie. 'We're been here lots o times afore.'

'Dat's why I took you here!' said da trow.

So dey hed a peerie explore on da beach and fun lots o sea creatures like peerie crabs, starfish and a couple o fish.

'Look, here's anidder cave', said da trow excitedly, pointin at da shore.

'Let's go in!' said Joahny. Dis cave wis different fae da wan in Sandsound because it wis stickin right oot fae da girssy broo aa da wye tae da edge o da waater. So dey gied intae da cave hopin dey wid have a bit more luck wi dis een! 'Cave no.2...!' said Jeamie wi a smile.

Dis cave wis braaly different fae da last een... it wis dark and gloomy inside. It made Joahny feel a peerie bit nervous but da trow just ran straight in! Whin da cave gied under da broo, it split intae 3 separate tunnels and dey hed tae choose da right wan. Da trow said 'Maybe da middle will solve da riddle!' so dey gied troo da middle tunnel. Dere dey fun a graet big box o mackerel but da mackerel must've been magic because when dey took dir first bite it made dem faa soond asleep!

When dey waakened up, dey couldna believe dir eyes. Dey were on da beach at St. Ninians Isle! Dey waalkit right along da saand until dey got dir eye on anidder cave ower at da idder side. 'Dis is da last cave, I'm afraid.' said da trow. Jeamie and Joahny lookit at een anidder. Dey were both a bit vexed but dey followed da trow intae da cave.

It wis bright and sunny when dey first gied in an da waas were aa glittery and covered in silver, purple an green crystals. Joahny tow't it was goin to be da best cave yet but dan suddenly everything gied black! He wis shocked!

'Oh,' said Joahny. 'What's happenin'..?'

Dan he heard da trow say 'Just keep waalkin. I can see troo all dis darkness'.

So dey followed da trow and Joahny said 'But we canna see you!'. Dey kept on waalkin until dey cam tae da end o da cave. When dey got dere, da trow wis nowhar tae be seen an dan Jeamie an Joahny realised dey were back in Sandsound! Dey lookit all aroond for da trow but dey couldna fin him anywhar. Dey wirna worried... dey kent he wid be aaright becis he wis magic

and dey felt lucky to have been on dir peerie adventure wi him. Dey gied back up tae dir hoose tae tell Fraser and Mam aa aboot it. But wid dey believe dem??

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