



Naidheachdan Bun Sgoil Steòrnabhaigh

29mh den t-Samhain / 29th November 2024

Oidhche Solais na Nollaige Christmas Lights Switch On

The Christmas Lights Switch On will take place at 6pm on Friday 29th November at the school. There will be carol singing a variety of stalls. The lights will be switched on at 7pm. We are very thankful to the Parent Council and the parent volunteers who organise this festive event for the school community.



Dìnnear na Nollaige Canteen Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Our canteen staff will be serving the Christmas Lunch on Thursday 5th December. Pupils are invited to wear their Christmas Jumpers and/ or festive headwear. Christmas Jumpers are available at the school entrance. Please help yourselves.

Cuirm-chiùil na Nollaige Christmas Concerts

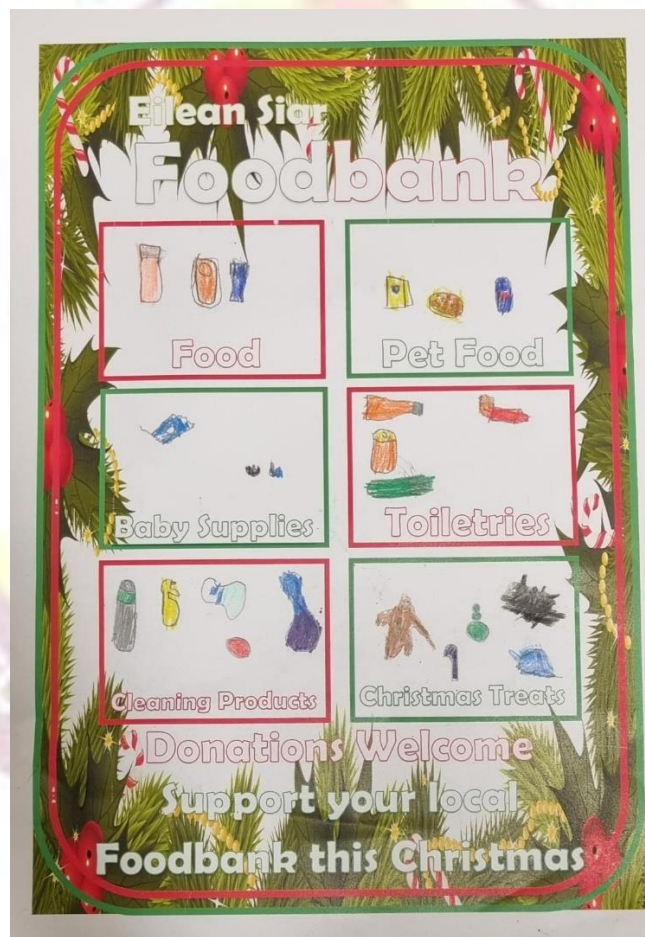
The Christmas Concert for **Nursery, GL1A and GL1B** will take place on the **afternoon of Thursday 12th December**.

The Christmas Concert for **GL2A, GL2/3, GL3/4, GL4A and GM1-4** will take place on the **evening of Monday 16th December** and the **afternoon of Tuesday 17th December**. Information regarding the purchasing of tickets for the concerts will be issued to families on Monday 2nd December.

Pàrtaidh na Nollaige Christmas Parties

Christmas parties will take place on Wednesday 18th December. Pupils can come to school wearing party clothes.

Banca-bidh Eilean Siar Foodbank Appeal



Following the success of GL3A's Foodbank appeal last year, GL2-4 have decided to create a Foodbank donation point at Stornoway Primary School this Christmas. This will be open for members of the school and the wider community to drop off donations, which will then be given to Eilean Siar Foodbank in time for Christmas donations to be handed out.

Clann ann an Èis Children in Need



Stornoway Primary School and Nursery took part in Children in Need. The pupils in GL3/4 were busy organising a variety of fun activities for everyone. Pupils came to school wearing something yellow, pyjamas, free dress and crazy hair. There was also a Bring and Buy sale. The pupils were very excited to get a visit from Pudsey. The school raised the fantastic sum of £1356.41 for Children in Need! Thank you to all the families that supported this fundraising event.

Latha Cuimhneachaidh Remembrance Day



Our Junior Leadership Team represented the school by attending the Remembrance Service in Martin's Memorial Church on Sunday 10th November. They also attended the Remembrance Service at the War Memorial. The Junior Leadership Team laid a wreath at the War Memorial on behalf of the school.

Ag Ionnsachadh a- muigh Outdoor Learning



GL7A and GL7B recently took part in den building and team building activities in the Castle Grounds with Tim and Fraser from the CnES Outdoor Learning team. Pupils were able to develop their team work, problem solving and communication skills through participation in the activities.

Seachdain na Gàidhlig 2024



Stornoway Primary School and Nursery took part in Là na Gàidhlig on Wednesday 20th November. All classes participated in a variety of fun and interesting activities throughout the day to promote and celebrate our Gàidhlig language and culture. The Splaoid aig Tuath bus visited the school and nursery where our younger pupils had lots of fun singing songs and listening to stories. Thank you to all the families that attended our Gaelic Medium Education Information Evening. Please contact the school on 01851 703418 or stornowayprimary@gnes.net if you would like further information about the benefits of bilingualism and Gaelic Medium Education.

Spòrs na h-Alba Sport Scotland Visit



Last week, we welcomed representatives from Sport Scotland to the school. During the visit, Sport Scotland had the opportunity to see our Young Leaders in action, where Primary 6 pupils led a series of sporting activities for Primary 4 pupils. It was wonderful to be able to share our journey towards the Gold Sports Award with them.

Faclan Òga



Stornoway Primary proudly participated in An Lanntair's Faclan Òga Book Festival, bringing the magic of storytelling right into our classrooms. We were thrilled to welcome a fantastic line up of authors. Catriona Lexie delighted pupils with the Snail & Whale games and activities. Louisa Macdougall shared her thrilling The Great Auk's Great Escape. Mairi Nicgilliosa read the entertaining Uncail Dod agus na Dineasairean, Victoria Williamson read The Whistlers in the Dark and June Ghreumach read An Cat Coigreach. Our pupils were captivated by the stories shared and eagerly joined in the creative activities inspired by these wonderful books. It was a week filled with imagination, fun and a love for reading, that will inspire our learners for years to come.

Theatar ann an Sgoiltean na h-Alba Theatre in Schools Scotland



Stornoway Primary were delighted to welcome the production 'Ginger' by Tortoise in a Nutshell. This was an interactive performance where P1-P4 pupils enjoyed interacting with the character Ginger, responding to the music and engaging with the story. Ginger tells the tale of a misshapen gingerbread person, discarded and marked for the bin. The children enjoyed a disco fridge, somersaulting teaspoons and a mysterious yodelling sink, which were all brought to life using a mix of puppetry, magic and a performance. The children were then given an opportunity to decorate gingerbread biscuits and chat with the performers. We would like to thank Moira Macdonald at An Lanntair for organising this event for us.

Fèis Athletics Sports Hall Athletics Festival

Well done to all the pupils who participated in the P3/4 Sports Hall Athletics Festival. We had a total of 45 pupils from Stornoway Primary participating.

Rèis Dùthchail Leòdhais agus na Hèarradh

Cross Country Race 2

The Lewis and Harris Cross Country Series Race 2 takes place on Saturday 14th December.

Please complete the link below to register your child.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdeGKQhZl0QUO7ffVtiQC5JdfCBbyiR8cZmLi5nrZ093pP-w/viewform>



Sàbhailteachd Chloinne

Pupil Safety

To ensure the health and safety of all pupils, parents/carers **should not** park in the staff car park. Thank you for your co-operation.

Comhairle nam Pàrant

Parent Council

The Parent Council works together with the school to promote partnership between the school, parents/carers and pupils. It aims to represent the views of all parents/carers. If you have any queries or questions for the Parent Council, please send them to syprimaryparentcouncil@gmail.com

Fònaichean-làimhe

Mobile Phones

A reminder that pupils are not permitted to use mobile phones during school. If your child requires a mobile phone for after school arrangements, it **must** be handed into the school office in the morning and collected at the end of the day. Thank you for your cooperation.

Saor-làithean

Holidays

The school will close at 3:25 on Friday 20th December. Term three will commence for pupils and staff on Monday 6th January.

Aodach Sgoile School Uniform

There is a large selection of pre-loved, good quality school uniform available in the school foyer. We encourage all families to have a look at what is available and take any items that would be suitable for the next school session. As we are now an Eco School, we hope that most of the uniform can be reused. If you cannot find items that are suitable, please let us know the items and sizes that you require and we will try to source these for you. Alternatively, all items are available to order directly from www.ahyde.co.uk. Orders over £35.00 will receive free delivery.

Biadh Sgoile an Asgaidh agus Tabhartas Aodaich Free School Meals and Clothing Grants

Applications Free School Meals & Clothing Grant are now open for the term August 2024 – June 2025.

Applications can be submitted via: [Forms \(cne-siar.gov.uk\)](http://Forms (cne-siar.gov.uk))



Banca Bìdh nan Eilean Siar Eilean Siar Foodbank

Eilean Siar Foodbank can provide food and support to families. It is located on 15 Keith Street, Stornoway.

Contact can be made with the Foodbank by Facebook messenger, telephone on 07437855920 or email

eileansiarfoodbank@gmail.com.





Tachartasan Teirm 2 Calendar of Events Term 2

Calendar of Events – TERM 2 (2024/2025)

TERM 2	
Friday 29 th November	Parent Council Christmas Fayre and Christmas Lights Switch On
Thursday 5 th December	Canteen Christmas Lunch Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 12 th December	Nursery/GL1A and GL1B Christmas Concert (Afternoon)
Monday 16 th December	GL 2-4/GM 1-4 Christmas Concert (Evening)
Tuesday 17 th December	GL 2-4 /GM 1-4 Christmas Concert (Afternoon)
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas Parties
Thursday 19 th December	Winter Activity Day
Friday 20 th December	School closes at 3:25pm for Christmas holidays

Clàr-bidh Canteen Menu

Week 2	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Pudding
	Pizza, Wedges, Carrot Sticks, Spaghetti Hoops, Green beans	Vegetable Soup & Tuna Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Angel Delight or Rice Pudding & Fruit or Fruit
Tues	Spaghetti Bolognese with Peas & Sweetcorn	Tomato Soup with a Ham Sandwich	Cheese Salad	Shortbread & Fruit or Fruit
Wed	Chicken Goujons Wrap with Mayo, Savoury Rice, Mixed Salad & Coleslaw	Lentil Soup & Egg Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Ice Cream & Fruit or Fruit
	Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Chipolatas, Roast Potato, Peas & Carrots	Quorn Sausage, Potatoes & Vegetables	No Opt 3	Meringues with Cream & Caramel Sauce OR Caramel Tart
Fri	Pastry Sausage, Chips (Mash if Nursery) with Peas & Beans	Carrot & Coriander Soup with Tuna Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Yogurt or Crackers & Cheese with Fruit or Fruit

Tachartasan Choimhearsnachd Community Events

Term 2 After School Activities: October to December 2024

Sport and Health are happy to announce that sports activity classes will be running from week beginning **28 October 2024** in the Lewis Sports Centre. These classes are to be booked the same way as they were last term.

They must be **booked weekly**. Every **Friday at 12 Noon** spaces for the following week will be released on our booking app **CnES Sports facilities**.

Please note that the below sessions will be running throughout October (starting on the 28th), November and December. There may be some dates in the month where the activity is not running and **will not** be available to book on the app the Friday before.

Costs – All 45 min sessions are £4.20 or £2.10 for members, Mini Kickers/Sports £3.20 or £1.60 for members and Wednesday Athletics (P1-P3) is FREE of charge. This term we will be offering the following activities:

Term 2: October – December 2024

Monday

Gymnastics P1 and P2

Time: 16:00 – 16:45

Gymnastics P3 and P4

Time: 16:50 – 17:35

Tuesday

Girls Only Football P1 – P3

Time: 16:00 – 16:45

Wednesday

Athletics P1 – P3

Time: 16:00 – 16:45

Thursday

Squash P5 – P7

Time: 16:00 – 16:45

Friday

Mini Kickers – 3 and 4 year olds

Time: 13:30 – 14:00



Bookbug Sessions

Free **story, song** and **rhyme** sessions for babies, toddlers, pre-school children and their families

Western Isles Libraries

Lionacleit Library	Tarbert Library
Saturdays	Mondays
11.30am	10.30am
26th October	28th October
30th November	4th November
21st December	18th November
Stornoway Library	2nd December
Every Thursday	9th December
11am	16th December

Everyone is welcome!
To find details of your nearest Bookbug Session, download our free app or visit scottishbooktrust.com/bookbug

Illness	Until...
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the advice on NHS inform if they've tested positive for COVID-19
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

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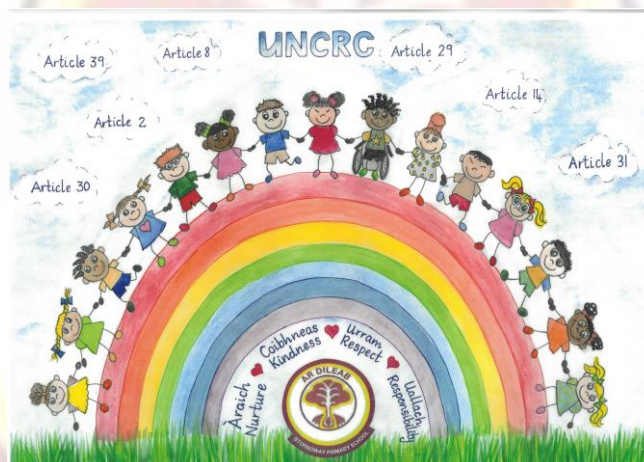
but make sure you let their school or childcare know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Head lice	Threadworms
Glandular fever	Tonsillitis	Slapped cheek

Parents and carers can find further health advice on nhsinform.scot

Advice and guidance

To find out more, scan the QR code or visit publichealthscotland.scot/tpepy



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