



Naidheachdan Bun Sgoil Steòrnabhaigh

20mh den Dùbhlachd / 20th December 2024

Fèill na Nollaige agus Oidhche Solais na Nollaige
Christmas Fayre and Christmas Lights Switch On

The Christmas Fayre and Christmas Lights Switch On took place on Friday 29th November at the school. We enjoyed a Christmas performance from our school band and a variety of stalls. We wish to extend our appreciation to ACES and John Morrison for the electrical support. It was lovely to have the school community together to celebrate the beginning of the festive season. The school looks very festive now!



Craobh na Nollaige Christmas Tree

Thank you very much to Richard Robinson from Willowglen Garden Centre for donating our annual Christmas Tree. It has been a lovely festive addition to our school foyer!



Dìnnear na Nollaige agus Là Geansaidh na Nollaige Canteen Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

We would like to say a huge thank you to our canteen staff who cooked and served a delicious Christmas lunch on Thursday 5th December. The pupils enjoyed eating their Christmas lunch whilst listening to Christmas songs in their festive wear. There was a lovely festive atmosphere in the canteen and it was enjoyed by all.



Cuirm-chiùil na Nollaige Christmas Concerts

Thank you to all the families that came along to our Christmas Concerts. It was wonderful to be able to perform on the stage to our school community. Well done to all the children that took part, their energy and confidence was just amazing to watch! A big thank you to all the staff for preparing the pupils for their performances.



Co-Chruinneachadh na Nollaige Christmas Assembly

This week the pupils enjoyed learning about the true meaning of Christmas during our Christmas Assemblies. Thank you to Rev Gordon Macleod, Church of Scotland, Goathill Rd, Stornoway, who shared the Christmas message at our Christmas Assembly on Tuesday 17th December. Thank you to Rev Calum Murdo Smith who shared the Christmas story in Gaelic with our Gaelic Medium pupils.



Pàrtaidh na Nollaige Christmas Parties

Pupils had a wonderful time at their Christmas parties, celebrating with festive games, Christmas songs and plenty of dancing. They were very excited to welcome a very special visitor, Santa Claus himself, who stopped by with gifts for all the children. We are very grateful to the Parent Council for supporting this event.



Seinn na Nollaige Tesco Carol Singing

Gaelic Medium 6 and 7 spread festive cheer by singing Christmas carols in Tesco. It was a great opportunity for the pupils to showcase their talents whilst entertaining the customers!



Co-Chruinneachadh Teaghlaich na Bliadhna Ùr New Year Families Assembly

Our annual New Year Families Assembly will be held on at 10am on Friday 10th January 2025 at Martin's Memorial Church, Francis Street. The assembly will be conducted by Rev Tommy Macneil, one of our school chaplains. All families are warmly invited to attend and are asked to sit upstairs in the church. There will be access to the church from 9.30am. All pupils should report to school as normal. Pupils will be accompanied to the church with their classes. Please complete this form if you would like to join us.

<https://forms.office.com/e/g4sd0AmjP4>

Banca-bidh Eilean Siar Foodbank Appeal

Thank you to all the families that supported our Foodbank appeal. We were overwhelmed by the generosity shown. These donations have now been given to Eilean Siar Foodbank in time for the Christmas donations to be handed out.



Ionnsachadh Inbheach Multiply Adult Workshops - Western Isles Learning Shop

In partnership with the Western Isles Learning Shop, we are delighted to offer adult workshops which aim to support parents and carers to gain an insight into how Numeracy and Maths are taught at school. Parents/carers will be supported to help their child/children develop their Numeracy and Maths skills at home. Please

register your interest on the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/dVNJsF2xDq>



Take Away Maths

We are delighted to offer Take Away Maths workshops starting Monday 13th January.

Time: 9.15 Monday Mornings

The aim of these workshops is to model the Numeracy teaching strategies that are used in class for parents and carers. These workshops will endeavour to help you to support your child in their Numeracy skills and with homework tasks.

Jan 13th:	Week 1: NUMBER AND PLACE VALUE
Jan 20th:	Week 2: ADDITION AND SUBTRACTION
Jan 27th:	Week 3: MULTIPLICATION AND DIVISION
Feb 3rd:	Week 4: MEASUREMENT: TIME AND MONEY

After dropping your children off, we invite you to come along and join our sessions which be run in a relaxed environment with other parents/carers. You will be given resources to take away that complement the strategies taught in the sessions.

For further information contact: mairi.fraser@cne-siar.gov.uk



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 3:25pm on Friday 20th December. Term three will commence for pupils and staff on Monday 6th January 2025.

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 \(cne-siar.gov.uk\)](https://forms.cne-siar.gov.uk)

**FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND
SCHOOL CLOTHING GRANTS**

If you require assistance with your application or would like more information please contact us:
bureau@wicas.uk

Barra CAB - 01871 810608 Harris CAB - 01859 502431
Lewis CAB - 01851 705727 Uist CAB - 01870 602421

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.

Welcome to
**Eilean Siar
Foodbank**

Monday 11am - 2pm
Wednesday 11.30am - 1pm
Friday 11am - 2pm

**Tachartasan Teirm 2
Calendar of Events Term 2**

Calendar of Events – TERM 2 (2024/2025)

TERM 3	
Monday 6 th January	School opens for staff and pupils
Friday 10 th January	New Year Families Assembly Martin's Memorial Church

**Clàr-bidh
Canteen Menu**

Week 1	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Pudding
MEAT FREE MONDAY	Macaroni, Garlic Bread, Beans and Sweetcorn	Seasonal Vegetable Soup with a Cheese Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Yoghurt and Fruit or Fruit
Tues	Saugage Casserole & Mashed Potatoes with Peas & Broccoli	Lentil Soup with Egg Mayo Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Seasonal Fruit Salad or Fruit
Wed	Chicken Curry with Rice, Green Beans and Sweetcorn	Tomato Soup with a Ham Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Sponge, Custard and Fruit or Fruit
Thurs	Steak Pie with Roast Potatoes, Broccoli & Peas	Vegetable Soup with Tuna Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Ice Cream and Fruit or Fruit
Fri	Fish Fingers and Chips (Mash if Nursery) with Coleslaw and Seasonal Mixed Salad	Chicken and Rice Soup with a Cheese Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Jelly and Fruit or Fruit

Merry Christmas



Sport & Elf Christmas Eve Motiv8 Tuesday 24th December 2024

Come along and join our coaches on Tuesday 24th December to have some christmas fun before Santa comes to visit – burn off some energy



Christmas Mini Kickers

Age - 3 & 4 year olds Time - 10.15-10.45am Cost £3.20 or members £1.60



Christmas Gymnastics

Pr 1 & 2 pupils Time - 11.15 - 12noon Cost £4.20 or members £2.10

Christmas Gymnastics

Age - Pr 3 & 4 pupils Time - 12.15 - 1pm Cost £4.20 or members £2.10



Santa Multi Sports

Age - Pr 1-3 Time - 1.30 - 2.15pm Cost £4.20 or members £2.10



Santa Sports Activities and Swim (swim for 8+ from 3 – 3.45pm)

Age Pr 4 & 5 Time - 2.15-3pm Cost £4.20 or members £2.10 (Swim is FREE)

Age Pr 6 & 7 Time - 2.15-3pm Cost £4.20 or members £2.10 (Swim is FREE)

To book a place go to the Lewis Sports Centre App or call 01851 822800
Bookings open at 12noon on Friday 20th December (this Friday)



Santa Hats will be available from the
Lewis Sports Centre Cost £1



Merry Christmas

Should I keep my child off school or childcare?

✓ Yes

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

✗ No

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/hpcyp





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