



# Naidheachdan Bun Sgoil Steòrnabhaigh

17<sup>th</sup> den Chèitean / 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023

## Mion Sgrùdadh air Tosgairean An-aghaidh Burraidheachd Anti-Bullying Ambassadors Case Study

We were delighted to welcome Victoria Morgan, HM Inspector of Education, to Stornoway Primary this week. Ms Morgan had previously visited the school in September, during our participation in the National Thematic Review, which focused on Inclusion and the Promoting of Positive Behaviour. During the visit, we shared our Positive Relationship Policy and our Anti-Bullying Policy, which details our whole school approach to preventing and responding to incidents of bullying. Ms Morgan has identified our work in this area as being highly effective practice, and was particularly interested in finding out more about the role of our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors. The establishment of our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors has ensured that our pupils are fully involved in preventing and responding to incidents of bullying. Ms Morgan spent some time working with the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors, talking to the pupil focus group and discussing our approaches with staff. Ms Morgan thoroughly enjoyed her visit to the school and spoke very highly of the pupils involvement in our approaches. As a school, we fully welcomed the opportunity to engage with Ms Morgan on this case study, and look forward to sharing it with you when it is published. Please see the following extract from our updated Anti-Bullying Policy.

### Tosgairean An-aghaidh Burraidheachd Anti-Bullying Ambassadors



Anti-Bullying Ambassadors are trained, passionate children who will stand up to bullying behaviour. They believe that bullying behaviour is not acceptable and should not be part of everyday life at school. They are upstanders against bullying behaviour and are a support network for their peers. Stornoway Primary School and Nursery have 15 pupils and 2 members of staff that have been trained as Anti-Bullying Ambassadors.

The [Diana Award's](#) Anti-Bullying Ambassador Programme provided training to staff and pupils. As a result, Anti-Bullying Ambassadors are more knowledgeable about bullying behaviour, more confident in supporting their peers and helps to ensure that their school deals with bullying behaviour more effectively.

The Diana Award's Anti-Bullying Ambassador Programme also helps to:

- equip pupils and staff with the tools needed to tackle bullying behaviour
- transform our school's approach to anti-bullying and create a safer, kinder learning environment and school community for all, which in turn can boost attendance and attainment levels
- develop resilience, confidence, and positive healthy relationships amongst peers
- compliment teaching and learning across the curriculum



Since participating in the training in March 2022, Stornoway Primary School and Nursery's Anti-Bullying Ambassadors have:

- introduced themselves at a whole school assembly and visited classrooms so that all pupils are aware of who they are.
- worked closely with staff to create a child friendly Anti-Bullying Policy which was shared with all pupils and displayed throughout the school.
- conducted a survey to collate information about current incidents of bullying behaviour in our school.
- analysed the results of the survey and shared this with all pupils and staff at assembly, highlighting key information which has informed the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors Action Plan.
- been easily identified by all children in the playground by wearing coloured, personalised bibs during their playground monitoring duties.

- set up 'Buddy Benches' for children to access in the playground if they feel isolated, excluded or upset. The Anti-Bullying Ambassadors check in with the children using these benches to see if they need support with relationships/ friendships.
- set up a central worry box for pupils to use to report incidents of bullying, if they do not want to talk.
- created a display in the school foyer to share their work in creating an anti-bullying culture.
- promoted positive relationships through our school values and set an example to all pupils.
- encouraged pupils to be 'Upstanders' by reporting any bullying behaviours to any member of staff or the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors.
- Working on a video to explain what bullying is, the different types of bullying, and the importance of being an upstander



The Anti-Bullying Ambassadors are leading our whole school anti-bullying initiative throughout each session by raising awareness through pro-active strategies (anti-bullying week/days, buddy system, assemblies, posters to be displayed, information events etc.). This child-led approach enables learners to discuss concerns with their peers, and this information is shared with a staff member to respond to any incidents of bullying behaviour in our school.

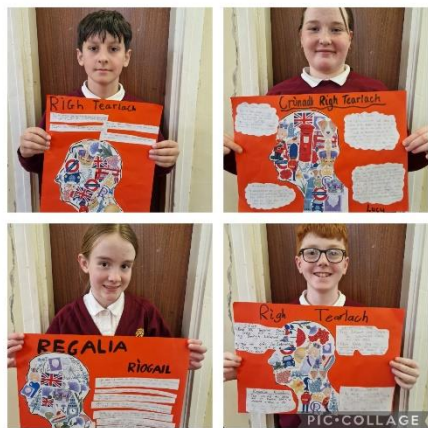
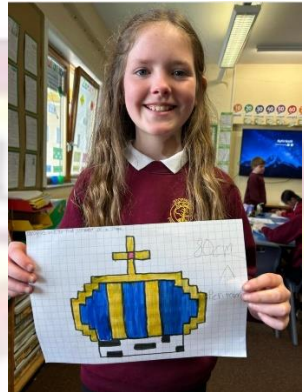
It is clear that our school community has embedded a culture change where bullying behaviour is unacceptable. New pupils to the school will experience an anti-bullying culture, a culture of kindness, and inclusivity. This is also reflected in our school's Values, Visions and Aims.

### Crùnadh an Rìgh The King's Coronation

The pupils enjoyed participating in a variety of fun activities over the last few weeks to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III. The celebrations concluded with a tea party on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May.







**Peadar agus am Madadh-allaidh  
Peter and the Wolf**



The Children's Classic Concerts came to our school last week to present 'Peter and the Wolf' to P4-6 pupils. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed the interactive orchestral concert which was provided through An Lanntair.

**Fèis Tchoukball  
Tchoukball Festival**



Well done to all the Primary 7 pupils who took part in the Tchoukball Festival at the Sports Centre. Missing from the photographs are Isla Ovenstone, Jake MacLennan, Vanessa Gazda and Lachlan Munro, as they kindly joined the Breasclete team. They all showed excellent teamwork skills and displayed our school values throughout!



**Seachdain Coiseachd dhan Sgoil**  
**Walk to School Week 15<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> May**



Remember to try to walk, cycle or scoot to school this week for Walk to School Week 2023!

**Làithean Spòrs**  
**Sports Days**

Sports Days are taking place this week and next week. Pupils can come to school wearing their P.E kit on the day they are scheduled to have their sports activities and are encouraged to wear an extra warm layer. All events will take place on the school pitch. Parents/Carers are welcome to attend scheduled sports days. Hopefully we will have good weather!

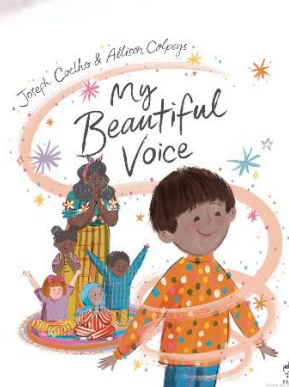
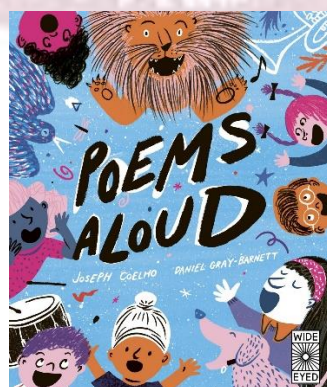
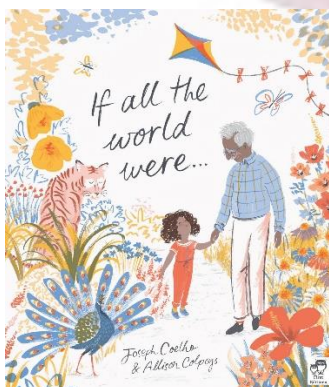
Class	Date	Time
P5/GM5	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May – New Date to be Confirmed	9.30am – 11.30am
P4/GM4	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May – New Date to be Confirmed	1pm – 3pm
P1/GM1	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	9.30am – 11.30am
P2/GM2	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	1pm-3pm

**Cuairt Sponsairichte**  
**Sponsored Walk**

Pupils and staff have been making plans to develop our outdoor area to allow us to provide further opportunities for learning for sustainability. We are hoping to erect a polycrub and install raised beds to enable us to grow our own fresh produce. All pupils are participating in a sponsored walk in the Castle Grounds on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May. This will support us to raise funds for the project. The weather forecast looks good and we are sure it will be a great event! Additional sponsor forms are available from the school office.

**Cuairt Leabhraichean**  
**Scottish Friendly Book Tour**

Joseph Coelho will be visiting P1-4 on the afternoon of Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May. To accommodate this event, P1-4 will have an early lunch from 11:55-12:55 and P5-7 will have a later lunch at 12:45-1:45. Joseph Coelho will have some of his books available to purchase at a discounted rate on the day. Pupils are welcome to bring in money to purchase a book, if they wish.



**Gala Snàmh  
Swimming Gala**

We are pleased to announce the return of our Swimming Gala. This will take place at the Lewis Sports Centre on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May from 10:30-12:15. P5-7 pupils will have the option to participate in the event. Please use the following link to give consent for your child to take part and to confirm that your child can swim.

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

**Tachartasan  
Calendar of Events**

Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> -Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Sports Days
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	P7 Mainland Excursion Information Session
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> -Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Walk to School Week
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Whole School Sponsored Walk Castle Grounds
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Joseph Coelho Author Visit P1-4 Scottish Friendly Book Tour
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Swimming Gala P5-7
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Free Dress Friday
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Local Mod
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Transition to Nicolson Institute
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Transition to Nicolson Institute
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Parent Appointments
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Euroquiz Final
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2pm	P1 Information Session
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Scottish Opera Visit (P1-4) Puffy MacPuffer and the Crabbit Canals
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Leavers' Lunch
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June 10am	Transition Morning
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	P7 Mainland Excursion
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	NI School Show 'Les Miserables' (P6)
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Free Dress Friday
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Prizegiving Martin's Memorial Church
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Leavers' Assembly
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Final Fling
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	End of term Assembly P1-3 P4-7
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	End of Session

**Clàr-bidh Canteen**  
**Canteen Menu**

Week 2	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Pudding
	French Bread 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
<b>Tues</b>	Spaghetti Bolognese with Peas & Sweetcorn	Tomato Soup with a Ham Sandwich	Cheese Salad	Shortbread & Fruit or Fruit
<b>Wed</b>	Chicken Goujons Wrap with Mayo, Parmentier Potatoes, Mixed Salad & Coleslaw	Lentil Soup & Egg Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Ice Cream & Fruit or Fruit
<b>Thurs</b>	Roast Ham, Yorkshire Pud, Mashed Potato, Carrots and Cabbage	Leek & Potato Soup & Ham Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Jelly & Fruit or Fruit
<b>Fri</b>	Pastry Sausage or Sausages, Chips 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**



**Dyslexia Masterclasses for  
Parents - Tarbert and Stornoway**  
6 and 7 June 2023

Join Sharon Hall and our Dyslexia Scotland Hebrides branch for our free Dyslexia Parent Masterclasses which will look at:

- Dyslexia - what to look for and how it might affect your child
- Homework - practical strategies and resources to use with your child at home
- Building self confidence
- Study skills - tips and tricks



Email [lena@dyslexiascotland.org.uk](mailto:lena@dyslexiascotland.org.uk) for more information.

Everyone welcome, though the events are aimed at parents/carers. No need to book - just come along.

- 6 June, 7pm - 8.30pm  
Sir E Scott High School, Tarbert, HS3 3BG
- 7 June, 7pm - 8.30pm  
Stornoway Town Hall, HS1 2BJ

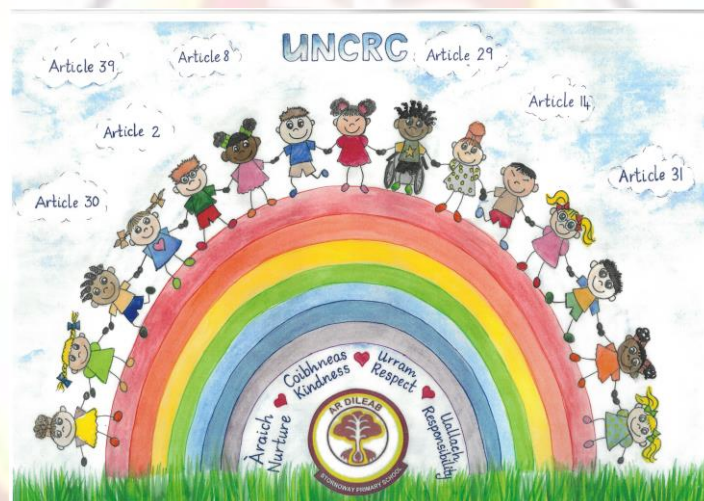
Dyslexia Scotland [dyslexiascotland.org.uk](http://dyslexiascotland.org.uk)

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