

# Naidheachdan Bun Sgoil Steòrnabhaigh

1<sup>mh</sup> den Dùbhlachd / 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

## SUMDOG



Stornoway Primary School has purchased the subscription for SUMDOG Maths. Pupils use this resource in school to develop their mental maths skills and are most welcome to log in at home to carry out further practise in this area. The next SUMDOG contest is called the Winter Wonderland Contest and it runs from Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December to Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December. All classes have been entered into this contest. SUMDOG can be accessed on [www.sumdog.com](http://www.sumdog.com)

## Fèis Unihoc Unihoc Festival



70 pupils across Primary 5-7 participated in the Unihoc Sports Festival Competition throughout November. All teams competed in their own leagues, with two teams winning their section and making it through to the finals night. Stornoway Attack and Stornoway Stars competed in the finals on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November. All pupils displayed fantastic sportsmanship and teamwork. Well done to all that took part!

### Là na Gàidhlig



We were very fortunate to have Jane Hepburn Macmillan and Willie Campbell in the school to lead a ceilidh to open Là na Gàidhlig. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed ceilidh dancing to the traditional tunes and songs that were played. All classes took part in a variety of fun and interesting Gaelic lessons throughout the day.

### A' Clàradh aig Isles FM Recording at Isles FM



GM7 have been working with David Morrison at Isles FM to record an advert for the Christmas Lights Switch On at Stornoway Primary. The pupils wrote their own scripts in both Gaelic and English and chose a Christmas song to go along with it. They spent an afternoon in the Isles FM studio recording the advert and being shown the technical side of broadcasting. GM7 are going to continue working in partnership with Isles FM to carry out further broadcasting work.



## Clann an an ÈIS Children in Need

P3A and P4A arranged a variety of activities for all pupils to take part in for Children in Need. A large number of items were donated for the Bring and Buy sale which contributed to the success. The highlight of the day was the visit from Pudsey! We wish to extend and huge THANK YOU to our families for their contributions. We raised a fantastic total of £1810.00 for the Children in Need charity.



## Christmas Lights Switch On



THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO THE STORNOWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY

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

### **Geansaidh na Nollaige Christmas Jumpers**

There are Christmas Jumpers available at the main entrance of the school. Please help yourselves. Donations are also welcome.

### **Comhairle Phàrant 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](mailto:syprimaryparentcouncil@gmail.com)

### **Sàor-làithean Holidays**

The school will draw to a close at 3:25 on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December. Term 3 will commence for pupils and staff on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

## **Dihaoine latha d' aodach fhèin**

### **Free Dress Friday**

The next Free Dress Friday will take place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December.  
Donations are welcome but not necessary. No fancy dress or football shirts please.  
Thank you.

### **Aodach Sgoile**

### **School Uniform**

We have a large selection of good quality, used school uniform available at the main entrance of the school and nursery. These items are available for families to help themselves. Any families wishing to place an order for new uniform can order through the following link:

<https://ahyde.co.uk>

### **Tachartasan Teirm 2**

### **Calendar of Events for Term 2**

Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas Lights Switch On
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Feisean nan Gaidheal Panto GM2-7
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Canteen Christmas Lunch Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Concert (Afternoon) Nursery, GM1, GM2, P1A, P1/2
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Free Dress Friday
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Concert (Evening) P2/3, P3A, P4A, GM3/4 & GM4/5
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Concert (Afternoon) P2/3, P3A, P4A, GM3/4 & GM4/5
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Class Christmas Parties
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Last Day of Term

### **Tachartasan Teirm 3**

### **Calendar of Events for Term 3**

Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Term 3
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	P7A & P7B Concert
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	GM6-7 Concert
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	P5A, P5B & P6A, P6B Concert
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	P7 Mainland Excursion to Loch Insh Outdoor Centre
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Last Day of Term



## **Taic Iomhais Financial Support**

### **Free School Meals**

All children P1 – P5 are eligible to receive Free School Meals as part of the Scottish Government's rollout of Universal Free School Meals. However, there are financial benefits for parents who apply that are eligible based on their assessed low income. If you qualify based on your income, you will be entitled to receive a cash equivalent of £2.50 per day during school holidays (not including weekends) totalling £260 per year per child.

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

- Income Support
- Income-based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Any income-related element of Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, but not Working Tax Credit, with an income of less than £18,725
- Both Child Tax Credit and Working Tax Credit with an income of up to £8,717
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Universal Credit with a monthly earned income of not more than £726

### **Clothing Grants**

In recent years, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar has increased the threshold to allow families with a household income of up to £20,000 to be able to access a Clothing Grant. The current rates paid by the Comhairle are:




Primary Pupil: £120 (per child)  
Secondary Pupil: £150 (per child)

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- Both Child Tax Credit and Working Tax Credit with an income of up to £20,000
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Universal Credit with a monthly earned income of not more than £1,666 (£20,000) per year

To apply, please visit the online application, which can be accessed [here](#).

Clàr-bidh Canteen  
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
	Turkey, Chipolatas, Roast Potato, Carrots, Peas, Gravy & Stuffing balls		Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Meringues with cream and caramel sauce
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



**Bethesda Care Home & Hospice**

**SOUP & PUDDING LUNCH**  
THE M.A. HALL, KENNETH STREET  
SATURDAY 02 DECEMBER 2023,  
@ 12NOON - 2PM



Come and take a break from the Christmas shopping and enjoy some lunch

Donations of baking would be gratefully received at the Hall from 10am onwards

# Table Tennis

## @ Barvas TTC



Barvas & Brue Community Centre will be the venue for the new Barvas Table Tennis Club and the first session will be on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

Introductory Sessions will be as follows

Mondays 7pm - 9pm Adults and Juniors (13-19) - £4 Adults £2 Juniors  
Wednesdays 6:30pm – 8:30pm Under13's £2

All with an interest are welcome to attend whether you have played before or not.

Please contact Ken on details below to indicate you or your child will be attending.

Ken Macleod  
[ken@tabletenniscoach.co.uk](mailto:ken@tabletenniscoach.co.uk)  
Mob: 07798 753336





**Merry  
Christmas**



**ClubSport Lewis & Harris  
Santa Dash 2023**



**In partnership with  
Cancer Research UK (Isle of Lewis Committee)**

**Harris Santa Dash  
Saturday 9th December  
Start 12noon  
For Further Information**

**Contact Cammy [c.morrison@cne-siar.gov.uk](mailto:c.morrison@cne-siar.gov.uk)**



**Stornoway Santa Dash  
Saturday 16th December  
Start 10.30am**

**Meet at weigh bridge opposite Town Hall  
For Further Information**

**Contact Steven [smunro@cne-siar.gov.uk](mailto:smunro@cne-siar.gov.uk)**

**Back Santa Dash  
Saturday 16th December  
Start 11am  
Meet at Back Free Church Car Park  
For Further Information**

**Contact Euan [euan-macleod@cne-siar.gov.uk](mailto:euan-macleod@cne-siar.gov.uk)**



**To donate please click on the link below**

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/santa-dash-lewis-and-harris-2023>

**Santa Suits will be available from either  
Harris Sports Centre or Lewis Sports Centre from Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December  
Cost – Adult/Ladies Suits £5 or Children's £3 (limited suits) or Hats £1**



**Merry  
Christmas**





*Ag Ionnsachadh Còmhla airson Sàr-mhathais*

*Learning Together for Excellence*

