

Naidheachdan Bun Sgoil Steòrnabhaigh

6mh den t-Sultain /6th September 2024

Aithisg ire de Mhathas 23-24
Standards and Quality Report 23-24

Our Standards and Quality Report 23-24 is now available to view in full on our school website.

The Standards and Quality Report shares our successes and achievements from the previous year. It provides an evaluation of our school improvement projects and a summary of impact.



Greimean-bìdh Fallain Healthy Snacks

A reminder that Stornoway Primary is a health promoting school therefore only healthy snacks are permitted.

This applies to snacks at break times and packed lunches at lunchtime.

Feasgar Cofaidh agus Coinnich an Tidsear Meet the Teacher Coffee Afternoon





We are delighted to share with you that we will be hosting a Coffee Afternoon at 2pm on Friday 20th September. Families are welcome to come along to enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, along with some delicious baking. Afterwards, parents and carers can make their way to their child's classroom to meet the class teacher and say hello.

There will be an opportunity to donate to Bethesda Nursing Home and Hospice. Please note, donations are voluntary.

Duais Òir Spòrs na h-Alba Sports Scotland Gold Award



Stornoway Primary School has been awarded the Gold Sport Award from Sport Scotland. This is a recognition that reflects the hard work, dedication and commitment of our school in physical education and sport.

The Gold Sport Scotland Award is a national award that acknowledges schools across Scotland that have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to providing high-quality physical education and promoting sports participation among pupils. Schools that earn this award are recognised for their efforts in creating a positive and inclusive sporting environment, where every pupil has the opportunity to engage in a variety of sports and physical activities.

At Stornoway Primary School, we achieved this award through a series of focused initiatives aimed at enhancing our participation in physical activities and sport. One of our main changes was establishing the first ever Sports Committee at Stornoway Primary. This committee, made up of pupils from Primary 5 to Primary 7, took on leadership roles and played a crucial part in ensuring sports initiatives were implemented throughout the school.

The Sports Committee were responsible for organising events, promoting sports participation, and ensuring that the voices of our pupils were heard when making decisions about physical education and sport. Their leadership and enthusiasm were vital in creating a positive sports culture within our school, encouraging more students to get involved in a wide range of activities.

Through the efforts of the Sports Committee, and the support of our staff and partners, we have seen significant changes at Stornoway Primary. We have introduced new after-school and lunch time clubs, and increased the opportunities for all pupils to participate in physical activities, regardless of their skill level or experience. Our school has also seen a noticeable improvement in the overall enthusiasm for sports, with more pupils than ever before engaging in regular physical activity and taking pride in representing Stornoway Primary in various festivals and competitions.

This award is not just a recognition of our achievements but also a testament to the strength of our school community. It reflects the collective effort of our pupils, staff, parents, carers and local partners, all of whom have played a vital role in helping us reach this milestone. As we celebrate this success, we remain committed to continuing our work in promoting physical education and sports, ensuring that every child at Stornoway Primary has the opportunity to enjoy the benefits of an active and healthy lifestyle.

We are incredibly proud of our Gold School Sport Award and look forward to building on this success.

Lorg Ulaidh Treasure Hunt



Stornoway Primary Parent Council are looking for volunteers to help with the Treasure Hunt on Friday 13th September. Please complete this form if you are able to help. Volunteers would be required from 5:30pm - 7:30pm. Thank you.

https://forms.office.com/e/bVyKjmY48P

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.

Coinneamhan Phàrant Parent Appointments

Parent appointments for all pupils will take place on **Monday 7**th and **Tuesday 8**th **October**. This will be an appointment in the school with your child's class teacher. You will receive notification of your appointment date and time week commencing 30th September. We encourage all parents/carers to attend.

Dihaoine latha d' aodach fhèin Free Dress Friday

Free Dress Friday will take place on Friday 27th September.

Donations are welcome but not necessary. No fancy dress or football shirts please.

Thank you.

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

The Annual General Meeting of the Stornoway Primary School Parent Council will take place on Wednesday 24th September at 7pm. The meeting will take place in the school. All parents/ carers are warmly encouraged to attend.

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 <u>must</u> 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 Thursday 10th October for the October holidays. The school will reopen to staff on Wednesday 23rd October and to pupils on Thursday 24th October.

School Term Dates 2024-2025

	Open	Last day of term
Term 1	Monday 12th August 2024 (Staff)	100 (100 (100 (100 (100 (100 (100 (100
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Mid Term Holiday (National Mod)	, and the second	Thursday 10 th October 2024
Term 2	Wednesday 23 rd October 2024 (Staff)	
	Thursday 24th October 2024 (Pupils)	1
Mid Term Local Holiday		Friday 22 nd – Monday 25 th November 2024
		Friday 20 th December 2024
Term 3	Monday 6 th January 2025 (ALL)	
Mid Term Local Holiday		Friday 14 th – Monday 17 th February 2025 (Staff) (Tuesday 18 th February – In-service Teachers)
		Friday 14 th – Tuesday 18 th February 2025 (Pupils)
		Friday 28 th March 2025
Term 4	Monday 14 th April 2025 (ALL)	
Mid Term Local Holiday		Friday 18th April – Monday 21st April 2025 (ALL)
Mid Term Local Holiday		Monday 5th May 2025 (ALL)
		Friday 27 th June 2025 (ALL)
Proposed Start Date 2025/26	11 th August 2025 (Staff) 14 th August 2025 (Pupils)	

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)



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 1/2 Calendar of Events Term 1/2

TERM 1				
Friday 13 th September	Parent Council Treasure Hunt			
Tuesday 17 th September	Uni-hoc Sports Festival Competition P5-7 (5:30-8:30)			
Tues 17 th , Wed 18 th & Thurs 19 th September	Flu Vaccine Delivery			
Friday 20 th September	Meet the Teacher/Coffee Afternoon for Bethesda			
Wednesday 25 th September	Uni-hoc Sports Festival Competition P5-7 (5:30-8:30)			
Friday 27 th September	Free Dress Friday			
Thursday 3 rd October	Uni-hoc Sports Festival Finals P5-7 (5:30-8:30)			
Monday 7 th October	Parent Appointments			
Tuesday 8 th October	Parent Appointments			
Thursday 10 th October	School closes at 3:25 for October holidays			
	TERM 2			
Wednesday 23 rd October	Staff In-service			
Thursday 24 th October	School opens to pupils			
Friday 25 th October	Free Dress Friday			
Tuesday 29th October	Uni-hoc Sports Festival Competition P5-7 (5:30-8:30)			
Wednesday 13th November	Là na Gàidhlig			
Friday 15 th November	Children In Need			
Wednesday 20 th November	Sportshall Athletics Festival GM/L3-4 (5:30-7:00)			
Friday 22 nd November	Holiday			
Monday 25 th November	November Holiday			
Friday 29 th November	Parent Council Christmas Fayre			
Thursday 12 th December	Nursery/GM1/GL1 Christmas Concert			
Monday 16 th December				
Tuesday 17 th December	GL/GM 2-4 Christmas Concert- Afternoon			
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas Parties			
Thursday 19 th December	School closes at 3:25 for Christmas holidays			

Clàr-bidh Canteen Menu

Week 4	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Pudding
MEAT FREE Y	Tomato Pa <mark>sta, G</mark> arlic Bread and Broccoli & Carrot Sticks	Lentil Soup with Egg Mayo Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Frozen Yogurt and Fruit or Fruit
Tues	Chicken or Vegetable Burger Roll with Wedges, Seasonal Salad and Beans	Carrot, Coconut and Lime Soup & Ham Sandwich	Cheesy Pasta with Seasonal Salad and Beans	Oat Biscuit with Fruit or Fruit
Wed	Mince & Mashed Potatoes with Green Beans	Vegetable Soup with Ham Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Crackers, Cheese with Fruit or Fruit
Thurs	Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pud, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Sweetcorn and Peas	Tomato Soup with Cheese Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Ice Cream and Fruit or Fruit
Fri	Fish Fingers and Chips (Mash if Nursery) with Spaghetti Hoops and Mixed Seasonal Vegetables	Leek and Potato Soup with Tuna Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Yoghurt with Fruit or Fruit

Tachartasan Choimhearsnachd Community Events

Newton Youth Club starts on Wednesday 4th September. P1-3 runs from 6-7pm and P4-7 runs from 7-8:30pm. Please make sure the consent form is filled in if you would like your children to attend.

https://forms.office.com/r/SYMNqqrmSF





Western Isles Libraries

Lionacleit Library -Saturdays 11.30am 31st August 28th September Tarbert Library -Mondays 10.30am 26th August 30th September

Stornoway Library-Thursdays Ilam Starting 29th August

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







September 30th 2024 12.30pm - 2.30pm November 28th 2024 6pm - 8pm

Live online session with the Occupational Therapy service for parents/carers (adults only)

- Does your child get upset by certain sensations? Are they always moving and fidgeting or constantly touching things? Are they easily distracted? Do they struggle to engage in everyday activities because of this?

If so, they may have difficulty processing sensory information

Join our online session where you can learn about the senses and the mpact these can have on a child. You will leave with a few ideas to try to support your child to be more able and confident in their everyday lives.

For further information or to book your place contact wi.otwesternisles@nhs.scot

Tachartasan an dèidh na Sgoile Teirm 1: An Lùnastal – An Dàmhair 2024 Term 1 After School Activities: August - October 2024

The Sports Centre are happy to announce that some of the sports activity classes will be running from week beginning 19 August 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.

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:

Monday

GYMNASTICS

P1-P2: 4:00-4:45pm

P3-P4: 4:50-5:35pm

Dates – 19th, 26th August, 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th September and 7th October

Tuesday

GIRLS ONLY FOOTBALL (STARTS TUESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER)

P1-P3: 4:00-4:45pm

Dates – 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th September, 1st and 8th October

Wednesday

ATHLETICS (STARTS WEDNESDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER)

P1-P3 4:00-4:45pm

Dates – 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th September, 2ⁿ and 9th October

Friday

MINI KICKERS

Aged 3-4: 1.30-2pm

Dates – 23rd, 30th August, 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th September and 4th October

SQUASH

P5-P7: 4:00-4:45pm

Dates - 23rd August, 20th September, 4th October

BADMINTON P5-P7 4:00-4:45pm Dates – 30th August, 13th, 27th September

Should I keep my child off school or childcare?



Ag Ionnsachadh Còmhla airson Sàr-mhathais

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