



# Cuairt-litir Sgoil Phaibil

January 2012

## Unicef Day for Change - 3<sup>rd</sup> February

As in previous years we will have a "No Uniform Day" to raise funds for Unicef Projects. In return for a donation of **£2** to support Unicef's vital work, pupils can come to school in casual clothes and learn about supporting children with sport activities in Uganda. Play and sport are very much part of our children's lives in Paible and we would like to see the lives of other children transformed. We look forward to your support.

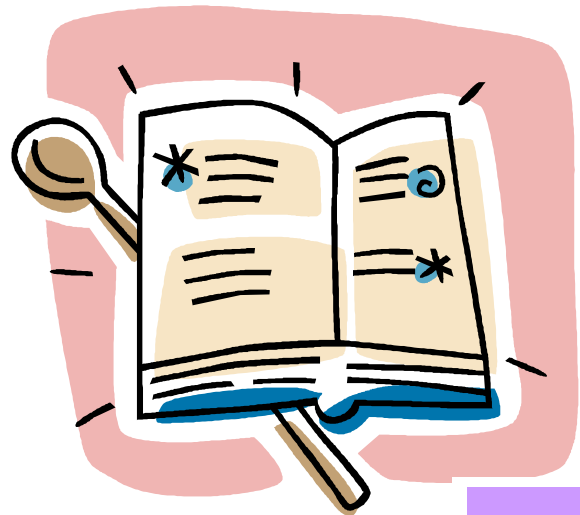
**School Lunches** It would be of benefit to the canteen and the school if menus could be returned to the class teacher on Thursday or Friday so that food quantities can be ordered. Money should be in by Monday so that office banking can be cleared at the start of every week. We are finding banking very difficult to organize when payments are coming in on different school days. We would encourage families to support us by sending in money with the menu or by **Monday** at the latest.



At a recent meeting, as part of the Eco school audit, the SNAG group have decided to use their £100 enterprise money to produce a Paible School recipe book.

We hope to bring together a collection of recipes ranging from family favourites, traditional cooking and new ideas. We will also be including all recipes used for the recent 'Come Dine With Me' event that the SNAG group organised.

We would like all pupils to bring in recipes for our book. We are looking for starters, main courses, desserts and baking/confectionary. Recipes can be handwritten or typed as we will be reproducing them and adding illustrations in school. Once the book is complete it will be available for sale in local outlets.



**ECO** Eco groups met on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January to carry out audits on a selection of areas. All groups worked hard at answering a wide range of issues with lots of discussion taking place. The Eco committee will look at the range of evidence and select areas to be worked at this term. Further details will be included in the February newsletter.

**Primary Get Togethers** continue on Monday afternoons. Our first three meetings of 2012 focused on manners and good behaviour. Children will be regularly encouraged throughout the school day to remember basic manners both in school and at home. Parental support on this issue would be greatly appreciated.



**Toy Day** Our monthly toy day is on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January. This is the first toy day since Santa visited Uist at Christmas. We look forward to seeing lots of new and exciting toys.



**Tasty Toast** On toy day we will have "toast toppings". Remember your 20p.



**Food Waste Workshops** Colin Revel (Sustainable Uist) and Ms Macdonald (Liniclate Science Dept) held 2 workshops on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January. There was lots of information given to classes in very interesting ways - slideshows, photographs, cartoons etc. We would like to share the following information with you. \* British families waste on average £430 worth of food per year. \* 20 million slices of bread per day are thrown away every day in Britain. Nationally school bins contain 50% of waste food! Lots of food for thought! We realised our eyes were bigger than our stomachs!! Our Eco committee will follow through several issues raised at the workshops.



**Active Schools** Christine MacQuarrie commenced "Young Leader" training on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January with our 4 primary 7 pupils. The boys will organise activities for P1 & P4 pupils on Thursdays for the next few weeks. Good luck to Mata, Jamie, Ewen & Declan.



**P5/6 Swimming** Lessons started again on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January. Sixteen lessons are offered as part of the course. Grenitote Travel will take the pupils on the following dates.

**January.** 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>.

**February.** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>.

It is hoped that the weeks with 2 sessions will be of greater benefit to both learners & improvers.



**Pre School Visits** Mrs Matheson and Mrs Macdonald (Gaelic Medium) recently visited the Claddach Nursery & Dunskeellar Croileagan. Transition links continue to develop before new entrants join Paible classes in August. Enrolment dates for February will be detailed in the press soon.



### **Awards for Young Musicians**

We have received some information from Awards for Young Musicians. They are asking for applications from outstanding young musicians for awards between £200 and £2000. In addition there are a number of Musicians Benevolent fund scholarships. Further information is available on their website : [www.a-y-m.org.uk](http://www.a-y-m.org.uk). Applications can be made online. Further information on what they have to offer is available on the site. The contact is Caroline Harvey - [caroline.harvey@a.ym.org.uk](mailto:caroline.harvey@a.ym.org.uk) 01726832937. The closing date for applications is March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2012



### **Holiday dates for your diary**

School closed for staff & pupils - February 17<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>



School closes for staff and pupils on 30 March and opens again on 16 April.

