

Paible School

Newsletter - October 2011



Barra Mod Winners

Còisir òg Sgoil Phaibil had a very successful trip to the first ever Barra mod on Saturday 1st October. A lovely day for travelling, the sun was shining and the sea was calm!! The pupils, who are from Primary 3 - 7, Gaelic and English classes, sang in 2 competitions. They gave an energetic performance of 'Oran na Cloiche', a song which poses a challenge for even the most experienced of voices, and also sang 3 puirt a beul in quick time to the delight of the judges. The pupils were very well presented in their school uniform and behaved impeccably throughout

the day. Many thanks to all who supported the choir on the day and in the lead up, especially Marion Garbutt (Conductor), Penny Burgess, Michelle Crombie, Cirsty MacInnes and Kathryn Wilkie.



In Room 5, we have been very busy learning about graphs. We worked in pairs to make surveys, which we then took to Room 7 to gather our data. Then we made our graphs, showing the information we found out. After that we presented our findings to the rest of the pairs, describing the highest and lowest bars in our graph!



Fàilte! Welcome to Gaelic4Parents.com, the website for parents and children interested and involved in Gaelic education. **Scottish Gaelic** (Gàidhlig) is a Celtic language native to Scotland and thousands of children (and adults!) are learning it right now. This site is bursting with games, stories, audio and much more to help you enjoy the experience of learning Gaelic, whatever your ability. Why not go straight to some of the interactive fun at [Listen and Speak](#) or in the '[Learn](#)' section? Listen to stories like [An Gruffalo](#), sing along [line-by-line](#), or plunge into the huge fantasy adventures of [Colla and Corstaig](#) with '[An Criostal Cridhe](#)'. www.GAELIC4PARENTS.com

October Holidays

School closes on Thursday 13th October. It re-opens on Tuesday 25th October for staff and on Thursday 27th October for pupils.

Absence from School

We would like you to phone the school before 10 a.m. if your child is going to be absent. A note is required when he/she returns to school.

Lost Property

Please name all uniforms. Every term there is a full box of lost property. This term is no exception. Please contact Celia or Cirsty if your child has any missing sweatshirts etc.

Book Amnesty









We would like to collect any old reading books or library books you may find at home. Please hand them in to any class teacher. Thank you.

Internet Safety

Keeping our pupils safe on the internet is a school priority. For tips and advice on keeping your child safe on the internet at home please look at the following web sites. www.thinkuknow.co.uk
www.kidsmart.org.uk

Lunchtime Activities Terms 2 & 3

It is hoped to start these activities for all stages on week commencing Monday 7th November

- Monday**  P1-3 Film making with Miss Crombie.  P5-7 Chanter practice with Cirsty.
- Tuesday**  P1-2 Games with Mrs Matheson.  P3-7 Choir- Gaelic & English songs with Miss Garbutt.
- Wednesday**  P1-7 Relax & Read/Storytime with Mrs Macdonald.
-  P4-7 Knitting with Mrs Dick & Jean.
- Thursday**  P4-7 Film making with Miss Crombie.
- Friday**  P1-7 Highland Dancing with Celia.

Knitting Club - Any balls of wool would be appreciated before the group get started.

Swimming

Lessons for primaries 5 and 6 commence on Thursday 3rd November for 6 weeks. Grenitote travel will take the pupils to Liniclate and they will be accompanied by one member of staff.

Cycle Training

Our Active Schools Co-ordinator Christine MacQuarrie has organised two sessions for P6 and P7 on the 11th & 12th October. **Bicycles will be provided.**



Paible Pound Sale



*The Pupil Council have set a date for their Paible Pound Sale - 18th November 1pm.
Please send toys, games, books/DVDs suitable for children. They will all be much appreciated.*

Celebrating Achievement

Celebrating children's wider achievement is a key aspect of Curriculum for Excellence. It is important that we not only celebrate children's achievements within the school but also out with. Please inform Jean in the office of any special achievements out with school. We will happily share the information in the weekly school "Get together". Pupils can also include their achievement in their personal class folio or folder. Marion MacCorquodale P5 has recently attended dancing competitions in Inverness, Kyle & Stornoway. She has been extremely successful winning many firsts as well as other placings.



Wear it Pink - 28th October

The Pupil Council and Snag will organise fundraising for Breast Cancer Research. As in previous years there will be a tuck shop and some fundraising activities throughout the day. Staff and pupils are encouraged to wear pink and to donate £2 to a very worthwhile research programme called "Pink Science". This pioneering approach to research finds & funds projects with the greater potential to save & improve lives and ultimately to find a cure for breast cancer.

There will be no toast that day as there will be a pink themed tuck shop.

TOY DAY WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE SAME DAY -----

M.S. Quest



Primary 5-7 GM were very kindly invited by Neil Johnson, for a tour of M.S. Quest, a cruise ship which had been cruising the British Isles. The Noble Caledonia ship was following the trail of the Lord of the Isles, which included stopovers in Iona, Skye and North Uist. The visit was due to be part of the classes work on the ill-fated RMS Titanic. Unfortunately, the adverse weather meant pupils couldn't get onto the vessel as it was unable to berth at Lochmaddy. However, passengers were shuttled to dry land by smaller boats and were able to enjoy lunch and entertainment at the Lochmaddy hotel. The school pupils

performed their winning choir songs and Catriona Garbutt also put in an appearance to the delight of the passengers and sang some traditional Uist songs for them. I think they thoroughly enjoyed their visit to North Uist and experienced some good North Uist hospitality!

In room 7 we have been studying water and rivers all this term. To help us find information we have used Goggle box and atlases. We have learned a lot of very interesting facts. Declan p7

- I know that the Amazon river is the second longest river and it flows across South America just south of the equator.
Donna p6
- The Nile is an amazing 4135 miles long. It is the world's longest river.
Ewen Ferguson p7
- We know new words such as meander, tributary, estuary, reservoir etc
April MacLellan P6





ROOM 5's MINI BAKEWELLS

For the tarts - Makes approx 18

8 oz Plain Flour
2 oz Margarine
2 oz Lard
Raspberry Jam

1. Rub fat into flour
2. Add water to make a stiff dough
3. Roll out on floured board
4. Cut into tarts, place in oven tray and add a little jam to each.

For the sponge:

3 oz self-raising flour
3 oz butter/margarine
3 oz caster sugar
1 egg
A few drops almond essence

1. Cream butter and sugar.
2. Add beaten egg and flour
3. Add almond essence
4. Place a teaspoon of mixture on top of each tart.
5. Bake at 150 C for approx 20 minutes.
6. When cool sprinkle with a little icing sugar.



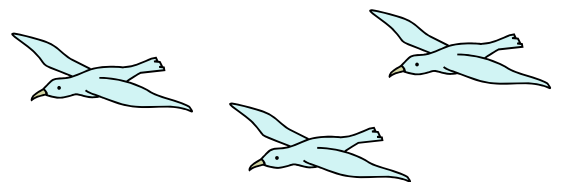
Our October Kitchen Stars are -

Iona P3 * Orin P3 * Bethan P5 * Zoe P5 * Donna P6 *

CONGRATULATIONS

Taigh solais air creig
Ard os cionn a'mhuir
Innealan dealan na broinn
Grian no uisge Mgr Grinling a'glanadh
Hamish an cat bachd sa bhasgaid

Solais mòr a' deàrrsadh gu breàgha
Obair air oidhche dhubh dhorcha
Lasadh suas an cuan mòr gorm
Airson bàtaichean a chumail bho chreigean
Ist! Cluinn an dùdach
Sèideadh airson sàbhailteachd



Sgrìobh clas 1-3 rann mu thaigh-solais airson an tional sgoile air an 10 mh là den Dàmhair.