

Our Learning this Month

(November 2018)

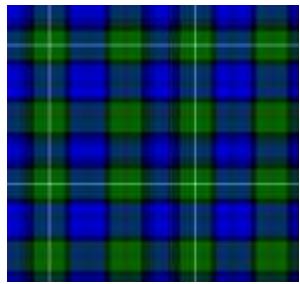


This month much of our learning has been based around Scotland. During the school's International Week, the nursery focused on Scotland, and some of our children attended the school Assembly where they sang and talked about it.



In **Literacy** we have been using books to learn more about Scotland and its traditions. We have been making up songs about Nessie

and are learning a variety of Scottish songs, including "Three Crows," "Ally Bally Bee" and "Auld Lang Syne."



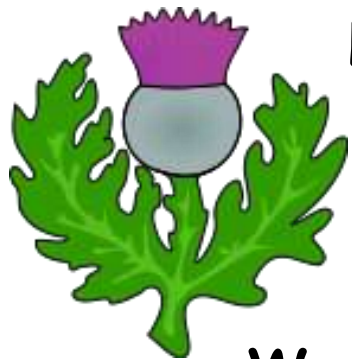
In **Numeracy** we are focusing on collecting, matching and sorting objects. We are using loose parts like stones and beads, matching tartans and other patterns and shapes. We will be carrying out Scavenger hunts and making pictograms in 2D and 3D, based on children's interests e.g. superheroes...

In **Health & Wellbeing** we are focusing on moving our bodies, through energetic outdoor play, Mini Kickers sessions and dancing Highland jigs. We are also exploring different



Scottish foods, trying porridge, shortbread, tattie scones, oatcakes, crannachan, plus veggie haggis, neeps and tatties. Some are more popular than others!

We are also using our artistic skills and imaginations to create Scottish landscapes outdoors, including flowing “waterfalls”, lochs and a giant Nessie. We are making sheep,



Highland cows, tartan, flags, thistles and weaving using a variety of modelling and art materials both indoors and out. Busby children are very creative!

We are exploring the scientific properties of different materials through creative play – water, soil, clay, ice etc.



To encourage your child's learning at home you could try:

Literacy: Read a Scottish themed bedtime story or sing a song together. If you have a family tartan you could look it up and talk about it...

Numeracy: Look out in the home or environment for things that match. Ask your child to sort cutlery, fruit or other items round the house (a useful skill for tidying up their rooms!).

Health & Wellbeing: Join/encourage your child in some form of outdoor or indoor exercise - perhaps even a spot of Scottish dancing...

Also, please let us know any particular **current interests** of your child's so that we can link them into their nursery experience! **Thank you!**