

Naidheachdan Lacasdail

Laxdale News

27 March 2026



RECOGNISING ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY

Being the last Friday of the month, this morning's Assembly was dedicated to recognising achievements. We enjoyed time together celebrating individual and group successes across different categories i.e. sports, arts, kindness the school. Congratulations to all our pupils on their achievements!



Kindness Award Winners



Sandwichhill Dance Showcase



Citizenship



Crafting



Highland Dancing



Football



Citizenship



Swimming



Music

WINNING HOUSE!

The winning house for this term was also announced. Pupils watched in suspense as they followed an exciting video of the race to the finish line to find out who successfully worked together as a team to earn the most House Points this term. The winners this term are Leverhulme! The House Treat event will be planned for early next term. Well done to all in Leverhulme house! Who will earn the most points next term?



PUPIL PROGRESS REPORTS

On Wednesday 25 March, Pupil Progress Reports were issued to all pupils/parents via pupil post. Sincere thanks to all parents who have already completed the Feedback Form (Microsoft Form) to acknowledge receipt of their child/ren's report and provide a comment. Can we please encourage all parents to complete the form if they have not yet done so using the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/e/tVPgCLQ6RP>

The form will close on Saturday 28 March. Thanks for your co-operation with this.

CAR PARK SAFETY

A polite reminder to all to take extra caution when entering and leaving the school car park, particularly at peak times. Safety of all our pupils, staff and families is paramount. Thank you for your co-operation with this.



GM1-3's INTERGENERATIONAL VISIT TO LAXDALE HALL

On Thursday 26 March, it was GM1-3's turn to visit the Senior Citizen Group at Laxdale Hall.

Pupils read and sang "*Nach Mìorbhaileach an Saoghal*", by Tim Hopgood. It is based on the song "What a Wonderful World" by Louis Armstrong. In class, the pupils have been discussing and drawing what makes the world so wonderful. During their visit the pupils asked the older folk what they think. Pupils drew pictures of and wrote their answers together and enjoyed teaching some of them some new Gaelic words. A lovely visit!



"Bha a h-uile duine cho còir agus cuideachail. Bha e cho math."

Olivia, GM3

"Chunnaic mi Shen. Bha mi cho toilichte gun robh e ann, a' cur dath còmhla rium"

Ella, GM3



P7 TRIP TO INVERNESS

Final preparations are underway for the upcoming P7 Trip which is on Thursday 16 and Friday 17 April, the first week back after the Easter Holidays. With an action packed itinerary in place, pupils have lots to look forward to. P7s - Remember to check through your kit list over the holidays to ensure you have all you need for the trip!



EASTER EGG HUNTING 2026

Today, all classes worked together in groups to complete an Easter themed orienteering activity which, when successfully completed, earned each pupil an easter egg! Special thanks to Mrs Morrison and the Sports Council for designing and preparing the activity for all to enjoy. All pupils including Nursery children also enjoyed their own individual easter egg hunts ensuring everyone had an egg-stra egg-citing last day of term!



!!NEW DATE!! P6 BIKEABILITY – WEDNESDAY 15 APRIL



Due to unsuitable weather on Tuesday, our planned Bikeability session for P6 pupils had to be postponed. It has now been rescheduled to Wednesday 15 April, the first Wednesday back after the Easter holidays.

P6 pupils will take part in their first practical *Bikeability* session with Jenna Macleod, Active Schools Officer. Activities will be based round Laxdale School before progressing onto roads round Stornoway next month. *Bikeability* is about gaining practical skills and understanding how to cycle safely on today's roads. We wish our P6 pupils well as they begin their *Bikeability* learning. Remember to check your equipment over the holidays and bring your bike and helmet to school on Wednesday 15 April!

P6/7 TCHOUKBALL FESTIVAL

On Wednesday 25 March, 35 of our P6/7 pupils participated in a Tchoukball Festival. Please see below to hear what Agozie GL6/7 and Heidi from GM7 had to say about the festival:

"We took part in the Tchoukball Festival at the Sports Centre on Wednesday. There were four teams of eight, and we all played really well! We worked well as a team - making sure we passed to everyone and encouraging each other. It was so much fun playing against teams from Lochs and Shawbost." Agozie

"Chòrd an Tchoukball rium gu mòr oir bha e spòrsail agus bha sinn math ag obair còmhla. After each game, Euan would give the team smiley faces for showing good teamwork and sportsmanship. I had a lot of fun playing lots of different games." Heidi

Congratulations to Finlay Morrison, GL6, for being picked as the Player of the Festival! Fantastic, Finlay!



DATES FOR TERM 4

Tuesday 14 April	Cuach na Cloinne
Wednesday 15 April	P6 Bikeability 1
Thursday 16 April	P7 trip to Inverness
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Thursday 23 April	P6 Bikeability 2
Friday 1 May and Monday 4 May	School closed for May Weekend
Friday 8 May	Parent Council Duck Race
Thursday 7 May	P6/7 Track Events ahead of Sports Day
Week beginning 11 May	Sports Week Sports Day – Wednesday 13 May
Thursday 28 May	GL5-6 Intergenerational Visit to Laxdale Hall

EASTER HOLIDAYS

As school closes today for the Easter Holidays, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all pupils and staff for all their hard work this term. It has been a very busy and productive term with a variety of learning opportunities happening across classes.

Finally, I would like to wish all pupils, staff and families a relaxing and enjoyable break.

We look forward to welcoming pupils back to school on Monday 13 April 2026.

Mrs J Macleod, Acting Head of School

