

COMHAIRLE NAN EILEAN SIAR
Department of Education
Minute/Note of Meeting

TITLE : Weekly Meeting of Sgoil/Sgoil Àraich an Taobh Siar Staff & Pupils
DATE : 23/09/19 **TIME** : 9am
VENUE : Sgoil an Taobh Siar
DISTRIBUTION : All Staff & Pupils

Present: All staff and pupils

Item	Summary and Action	Who?	When?
1	<p>Welcome</p> <p>Western Isles Weather – Richard Cooke gave a weather related presentation to all pupils. We thoroughly enjoyed the talk and well done to all pupils for listening well and asking sensible, interesting questions.</p> <p>Richard enjoyed his visit to the school.</p> <p>School Values: Honesty Manners Kindness Respect</p> <p>SCHOOL AIMS At Sgoil an Taobh Siar we aim to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Aspire to becoming a school capable of achieving excellence and success for all</i> • <i>Provide a learning environment that values diversity and promotes social inclusion, where everyone is welcome</i> • <i>Seek progress through partnership, working closely with parents and all other agencies with whom we share a common purpose</i> • <i>Create an environment where all pupils are safe and happy and have the confidence to become successful learners across all curricular areas</i> 	Staff/Pupils	
2	<p>Pupil Absence for School or Sgoil Àraich</p> <p>Can we please ask that all parents/carers notify the school of any absences by 9.30am either by phone on 701602 (a message can be left on the answering machine) or by email sgoilantaobhsiar@gnes.net</p> <p>Can we ask that any parents/carers who wish to meet with class teachers please contact the school office on 701602 or sgoilantaobhsiar@gnes.net to arrange an appointment.</p> <p>Can we remind parents to contact the Sgoil Àraich/School if there any messages relating to children and refrain from contacting staff members directly.</p>	Parents/Carers	Daily
3	<p>Achievements</p> <p><u>STARS OF THE WEEK</u></p> <p>Sgoil Àraich – Mathew for being friendly and helpful P1 G – John for working so hard in class P2-3 G – Arthur for improvement in his literacy work P2-4 E – Kai for working hard to complete tasks in class P4-7 G – Seumas for working hard on his hand writing P5-7 E – Kyle for completing numeracy work quickly and correctly</p>		

		<p><u>HEAD TEACHER WRITING & PRESENTATION AWARD</u></p> <p>P1 G – James for neat handwriting P2-3 G – David for his neat handwriting P2-4 E – Iona improving her hand writing P4-7 G – Campbell for a lovely poem in relation to the weather P5-7 E – Emily for the very neat presentation of her work</p>		
4	Dates for Diary	<p><u>SEPTEMBER 2019</u></p> <p>Wednesday 25th Health & Well Being Days</p> <p>Thursday 26th Health & Well Being Days</p> <p>Friday 27th Non Uniform day – <u>WEAR YELLOW</u> – all proceeds for this day will go to Bethesda</p> <p><u>OCTOBER 2019</u></p> <p>Wednesday 2nd Meanbh Chuileag – P4-7G 9.30am – in school event</p> <p>Thursday 3rd Maths Event – P2-4 will be attending a maths workshop at the Stornoway Primary from 9.45-10.45am Maths Event – P5-7 will be attending a maths workshop at the Stornoway Primary from 11-12 noon</p> <p>Saturday 5th Cross Country Race 1 – any pupil wishing to enter in for this please let the class teacher know by Friday 27th</p> <p>September and enclose a payment of £2 entry fee please</p> <p>Tuesday 8th Climate Challenge Workshop - afternoon session for P1-7 as part of Eco Schools</p> <p>Wednesday 9th P1 – Parents Meetings times to be confirmed Touch Rugby – P5-7 5.30-7.30pm over at the All Weather Pitch Stornoway – Parents to accompany those children who will be involved</p> <p>Thursday 10th MacMillan Coffee Afternoon 1pm – any donations of baking welcome. Last Day of school and the start of the October Holidays</p> <p>Tuesday 22nd & Wednesday 23rd In-service day</p> <p>Thursday 24th School open to all pupils</p> <p>Tuesday 29th P4-5 – 11-12 noon swimming lessons over in Stornoway</p> <p>Thursday 31st Flu Clinic Fluoride Varnishing – for all Sgoil Àraich and P1-7 pupils</p> <p><u>NOVEMBER 2019</u></p>		

		<p>Friday 1st Fluoride Varnishing – for all Sgoil Àraich and P1-7 pupils</p> <p>** PLEASE NOTE ALL ABOVE DATES CAN BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**</p>		
5	Sgoil Àraich	<p>The Sgoil Àraich direct line is 822845, which can be used out with school hours.</p> <p>Can we remind parents/carers to be dropping and collecting children at the arranged time for the Sgoil Àraich. Late arrival of children means that planned activities cannot start until all children have arrived. A fee of £15 can be imposed and we really would not like to have to implement this.</p> <p>Children are to share any achievements from the weekend with Sgoil Àraich staff or at the Monday Morning Meeting.</p> <p>Wednesday 9th October Sgoil Àraich – 1.15pm – 2.30pm all children going to An Lanntair to Under the Sea. All children are invited to attend on this afternoon. Any children who do not attend on a Wednesday afternoon please be at the Sgoil Àraich for 12.30pm to depart at 12.45pm.</p> <p>SGOIL ÀRAICH TOPIC The Sgoil Àraich are currently working on the topic 'All about me' and we would like each child to bring in a family photo. This can be emailed to the school at sgoilantaobhsiar@gnes.net or a picture can be brought in to photocopy.</p>	Parents/Carers	
6	School Library	We would love it if the pupils could borrow books from the school library. To be able to achieve this we need help in getting a system in place and help from parent volunteers. Please contact the school if you, or anyone you know could help us.		
7	Outside Playtime	Can we ask that all pupils take with them a pair of wellies that they could change in to, to go outside at break time. Can we ask that the pupils name can be marked on the inside of the wellie and these can be left in the school.	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	Daily/Weekly
8	School Buses	Can we remind all pupils that we expect good behaviour and good manners on the school buses at all times. Seat belts must be worn and children should not be moving or standing out of their seats at any time. The bus driver should not have to stop the bus to speak to any of the children whilst going to and from school. <p>Pupils are reminded to stay on the bus and to get off on the correct side of road to avoid having to cross the road if an adult is not waiting for them.</p>	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	Daily
9	Pupil Entrance	Pupils are reminded that they are to use the side door of the school when coming in to the school first thing in the morning.	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	Daily
10	School Website	The school website can be found on bit.ly/satsbarvas or https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/es/sats/ this will be updated regularly.	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	
11	Group Call	As per changes to the CNES policy on using Group Call any information being sent via Group Call will be going in email form rather than by text message, unless it is urgent. Can we please ask that you keep an eye on your emails for any information coming from the School/Sgoil Àraich.	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	
12	School Uniforms	School uniforms can be ordered through www.myclothing.com and search for Sgoil an Taobh Siar.	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	
13	Car Park	Can we remind parents/carers to keep the roundabout clear in the mornings and afternoons to allow the buses to park.	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	Daily
14	Water Bottles	All pupils are reminded to bring in a water bottle with them on a daily basis. The canteen will no longer be providing pupils with cups.	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	Daily

15	After School Clubs	<p>Lego Club Mondays from 3-4pm, if there are any parents/carers who are willing to help with this hour slot please let the school office know. Starting from next week there will be a charge of £1 per child for them to attend. This is to enable the group leaders to purchase Lego and Lego Boards etc Please put it into the children's diary if they plan on staying in for this.</p> <p>We are looking for Lego donations for our afterschool Lego club. If you have any at home that you no longer use please hand it in to the school office.</p> <p>Please note the CNES run after school club is now up and running on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3-5pm. Anyone wishing to use this service please contact the school office for an information pack.</p>	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	Weekly
16	Sanitary Products	There will be sanitary towels in the upper girls' toilets should any of the girls need to use them	Parents/Carers/Pupils	Weekly
17	Parent Council	<p>Easy Fundraising https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sgoilantaobhsiar-1541689653-1717926306/</p> <p>School Facebook Page A new page has been set up with two closed groups for parents/guardians to join and share photos etc. There is a group for school parents and one for nursery parents. Fundraisers etc can be shared on the page with more private pupil related information in closed groups. As many photos as possible from the old page were transferred over. The new page is SGOIL AN TAOBH SIAR PARENT COUNCIL with the school badge as picture.</p>	Teachers/Parents/Carers	Weekly