

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

TITLE : Weekly Meeting of Sgoil/Sgoil Àraich an Taobh Siar Staff & Pupils
DATE : 20/01/20 **TIME** : 9am
VENUE : Sgoil an Taobh Siar
DISTRIBUTION : All Staff & Pupils

Present: All staff and pupils

Item	Summary and Action	Who?	When?
1. Welcome	<p>Mrs MA MacLeod warmly welcomed all staff and pupils. Mrs MacLeod mentioned how well the Peat and Diesel Concert went on Saturday night and how much everyone enjoyed it.</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	Weekly
2. Pupil Absence for School or Sgoil Àraich	<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>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/carers not to contact staff members directly concerning any messages relating to pupils. If contact is to be made it can be done by contacting the School or Sgoil Àraich on 701602 or sgoilantaobhsiar@gnes.net</p>	Parents/Carers	Daily
3. Enrolment Week	<p>Admission to Primary Schools: August 2020</p> <p>Children who will be four years of age by 28 February 2020 are eligible for infant enrolment. Along with the completed enrolment pack, parents/carers are requested to bring their child's birth certificate and a copy will be taken. Please note that unless otherwise stated to the school that all children will be enrolled into Gaelic Medium Education.</p> <p>Early Learning & Childcare Enrolment 2020/21</p> <p>Nursery (Sgoil Àraich) places are now available for session 2020/2021 for children who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are 4 years of age and are not currently registered with a nursery 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will be 3 years of age between 1 March 2020 and 28 February 2021 • Will be 2 years of age between 1 March 2020 and 28 February 2021 and whose parents(s)/carer(s) are in receipt of certain qualifying benefits <p>Eligibility for early learning and childcare throughout the year is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From the Autumn Term (Aug-Dec) – children born between 1 March and 31 August • From the Spring Term (Jan-March) – children born between 1 September and 31 December • From the Summer Term (April-June) – children born between 1 January and 28 February <p>Parents/Carers are invited to enrol their children at nursery week commencing 27 January. Along with the completed enrolment pack, parents/carers are requested to bring their child's birth certificate and a copy will be taken.</p>		
<p>4. Achievements</p>	<p>Robbie – has started swimming lessons and can now swim under water</p> <p>XC Race 3 Sarah Ann, Lauren, Abbie S, Angus F, Ross, Ewan, Amy and Kara all took part in this on Saturday over in the Castle Grounds. Kara was the 1st under 9 girl to come in, well done Kara.</p> <p>Football Domhnall – 1st best attitude, 1st King of the ring and scored a hat trick Anna – 3rd best attitude</p> <p><u>STARS OF THE WEEK</u> Sgoil Àraich – Kate airson a bhi a cluich comhla ri caraidean agus a bhi bruidhinn Gaidhlig P1 G – Donny K airson a bhith ag obair cruaidh 's a chlas! P2-3 G – Ceit airson a bhith cho cuideachail sa chlas P2-4 E – Rory for working hard and listening well P4-7G – Ashley airson a bith deònach mo chuideachadh 's a chlas and a bhith a sgioblachadh P5-7 E – Michael for kindness, patience and consideration P5-7 E – Ian Alex for kindness, patience and consideration</p> <p><u>HEAD TEACHER WRITING & PRESENTATION AWARD</u> P1 G – John airson sgrìobhadh àlainn! P2-3 G – Robyn airson oidhirp mhòr a dhèanamh le lamh-sgrìobhadh P2-4 E – Jac for working hard on writing tasks P4-7G – Ruairidh airson lamh-sgrìobhadh àlainn P5-7 E – Logan for improvement in handwriting and presentation</p>		
<p>5. Dates for Diary</p>	<p>JANUARY 2020 Wednesday 22nd P1 School Nurses Health Checks Thursday 23rd Stornoway Port Authority visit – 10am-12noon P4-7G and P5-7E. Please ensure that all children have appropriate outdoor clothing with them Friday 24th</p>		

	<p>Assembly – P2-4E pupil led assembly all parents/carers warmly invited to attend, time to be confirmed Monday 27th – 31st Enrolment Week – information above. Tuesday 28th & 29th Technology Days</p> <p>FEBRUARY 2020 Tuesday 4th Stornoway Port Authority visit – 10am-12noon P1-3G and P2-4E. Please ensure that all children have appropriate outdoor clothing with them Parent Council Meeting – 7pm here at the school all parents/carers welcome to attend. Wednesday 5th In-service Day – All pupils off and Staff in Thursday 6th – Monday 10th School Closed to all school pupils and staff Tuesday 11th In-service Day – All pupils off and Staff in Wednesday 19th John Muir Award – P7's Wednesday 26th John Muir Award – P7's Saturday 29th Bag Packing Tesco's – rota will be sent out soon</p> <p>MARCH 2020 Wednesday 4th John Muir Award – P7's Friday 6th Assembly – Sgoil Àraich pupil led assembly all parents/carers warmly invited to attend, time to be confirmed Wednesday 11th John Muir Award – P7's and please note that there is a change of venue for the evening for the evening presentation, this will now be held in the Clan MacQuarrie Community Centre at the same time. Wednesday 18th P7 Orienteering Castle Grounds 11am – 2pm – please ensure that all children have appropriate outdoor clothing with them Saturday 21st Daytime Fundraiser – more information to follow Friday 27th Assembly – P1G pupil led assembly all parents/carers warmly invited to attend, time to be confirmed Last Day before the Easter Holidays</p> <p>APRIL 2020</p>		
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	<p>Tuesday 14th Pupils and Staff back to school</p> <p>Friday 24th Fundraising Evening Event – more information to follow</p> <p>MAY 2020</p> <p>Friday 8th – Monday 11th Long weekend – pupils and staff off</p> <p>Friday 15th Assembly – P4-7G pupil led assembly all parents/carers warmly invited to attend, time to be confirmed</p> <p>Tuesday 19th Fun Fours – 10.30am – 1pm P2-3 over at the all weather pitch Stornoway all children are to bring a packed lunch and have appropriate clothing with them</p> <p>Wednesday 20th Hüb Hüb – Sgoil Àraich, P1-3G 1.15pm</p> <p>JUNE 2020</p> <p>Tuesday 2nd – Friday 5th Local Mod – more information closer to the time</p> <p>Wednesday 10th – Thursday 11th P7 Induction to the Nicolson Institute</p> <p>Friday 12th Fundraising Evening Event – more information to follow</p> <p>Wednesday</p> <p>Friday 26th Last day before the Summer Holidays</p> <p>** PLEASE NOTE ALL ABOVE DATES & TIMES CAN BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**</p>		
<p>6. Sgoil Àraich</p>	<p>The Sgoil Araich 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>Thursday 13th February All Sgoil Àraich children are going to Spors Nis for a fun session. The bus will leave the school at 9am and will be back in time for lunch at 12noon. Can we ask that all children be in for 8.45am. Children who would not normally be in are also invited to come along too.</p> <p>All Year Contracted Children Holidays Sgoil Àraich will be closed to ALL YEAR contracted children on the following dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 5th February 2020 • Tuesday 11th February 2020 • Friday 10th April 2020 • Monday 13th April 2020 	<p>Parents/Carers</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Friday 8th May 2020 		
7. Water/Juice Bottles	All children are reminded that only water bottles are permitted in the classroom. If children wish to have juice in a bottle this will have to stay in the cloakroom and can be had a break time and lunchtime.	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	
8. School Website	The current school website is down and we hope the it will be back up and running soon. https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/es/sats/	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	
9. School Uniforms	School uniforms can be ordered through www.myclothing.com and search for Sgoil an Taobh Siar.	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	
10. 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	
11. After School Clubs	<p>Lego Club Lego Club will be on weekly on a Monday afternoon 3-4pm if we have enough parent/carer volunteers. Can we ask if there are any willing volunteers to please get in touch with the school office so that we can get a rota in place for this. If there are not enough volunteers Lego Club will unfortunately have to stop.</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	
12. Sanitary Products	There will be sanitary towels in the upper girls' toilets should any of the girls need to use them	Parents/Carers/Pupils	
13. Parent Council	<p>Easy Fundraising https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sgoilantaobhsiar-1541689653-1717926306/</p>	Teachers/Parents/Carers	
14. Park Run	Park Run is starting in the Castle Grounds this Saturday, 11 th January at 9.30am. This is a family event for runners and walkers. If interested please go to the parkrun website www.parkrun.com to register under Lews Castle Parkrun.	Staff/Parents/Carers	