

# COMHAIRLE NAN EILEAN SIAR

## Department of Education

### Minute/Note of Meeting

**TITLE** : Weekly Meeting of Sgoil/Sgoil Àraich an Taobh Siar Staff & Pupils  
**DATE** : 02/03/20 **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.</p> <p>Mrs MacLeod praised all those children who went with their parents/carers to help with the bag packing on Saturday in Tesco's.</p> <p>Mrs MacLeod also told all the children and staff how proud all the staff were after the Tchoukball event last week and how the group were highly praised for their good behaviour and their excellent teamwork, well done to all who took part.</p> <p><b>School Values:</b>  <b>Honesty Manners Kindness Respect</b></p> <p><b>SCHOOL AIMS</b>            At Sgoil an Taobh Siar we aim to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Aspire to becoming a school capable of achieving excellence and success for all</i></li> <li>• <i>Provide a learning environment that values diversity and promotes social inclusion, where everyone is welcome</i></li> <li>• <i>Seek progress through partnership, working closely with parents and all other agencies with whom we share a common purpose</i></li> <li>• <i>Create an environment where all pupils are safe and happy and have the confidence to become successful learners across all curricular areas</i></li> </ul>	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 <b>by 9.30am</b> either by phone on 701602 (a message can be left on the answering machine) or by email <a href="mailto:sgoilantaobhsiar@gnes.net">sgoilantaobhsiar@gnes.net</a></p> <p>Any parents/carers who wish to meet with class teachers please contact the school office on 701602 or <a href="mailto:sgoilantaobhsiar@gnes.net">sgoilantaobhsiar@gnes.net</a> to arrange an appointment.</p> <p><b>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 <a href="mailto:sgoilantaobhsiar@gnes.net">sgoilantaobhsiar@gnes.net</a></b></p>	Parents/Carers	Daily
3. Groupcall	We are now in a position when sending out groupcall messages to receive replies from parents/carers	Parents/Carers/Staff	
4. Achievements	Martha – tidied up her bedroom		

	<p>David – was running and keeping fit          Kyle – helped fill a raised bed with compost          Riley – was baking with Dad          Robbie – was helping Dad feed the sheep          Arran (SÀ) – helping Dad move silage bales</p> <p><b><u>STARS OF THE WEEK</u></b>          Sgoil Àraich – Cameron airson a bhith bruidhinn Gaidhlig          P1 G – Sorley airson a bhith ag obair cho cruaidh 's a chlas          P2-3 G – Anna airson a bhith dicheallach sa h-uile rud a ni i          P2-4 E – Ross for working hard in class and showing a positive attitude          P4-7G – Charlie airson a bhith ag obair cruaidh anns a' chlas          P5-7 E – Lewis C for remaining focused on all tasks</p> <p><b><u>HEAD TEACHER WRITING &amp; PRESENTATION AWARD</u></b>          P1 G – Donnie M airson oidhirp mhòr a' deanamh ann an sgrìobhadh          P2-3 G – Marnie airson làmh-sgrìobhadh          P2-4 E – Rory for great improvement in handwriting          P4-7G – Johnny airson oidhirp a dheanamh le do làimh-sgrìobhadh          P5-7 E – Tillie for an improvement in handwriting and presentation</p>		
<p><b>5. Dates for Diary</b></p>	<p><b>MARCH 2020</b>  <b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup></b>          John Muir Award Day 3 Carloway – P7s  <b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup></b>          Intergenerational Group – 11-12noon P5-6  <b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup></b>          Assembly – Sgoil Àraich pupil led assembly all parents/carers/families warmly invited to attend, starting at 9.30am. All children are invited to attend. If your child does not normally attend on a Friday morning we would great appreciate them coming along. Can all children come to Sgoil Àraich by 8.45/9am at be latest in order to get them all ready for a 9.30am start. Following the assembly you are invited to come into the Sgoil Àraich for a play and cuppa.          P7 Transition Project 2-3pm  <b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup></b>          Curry Night – orders will be taken on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> from 6pm, Friday 6<sup>th</sup> from 6pm and Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> until 1pm  <b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup></b>          John Muir Award Day 4 Barvas Hall (through the day) – P7s and <b>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.</b>          6 Nations Touch Rugby P5-6 all weather pitch Stornoway  <b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup></b>          P7 Transition Project 2-3pm</p>		

	<p><b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup></b>  P7 Orienteering Castle Grounds 11am – 2pm – please ensure that all children have appropriate outdoor clothing with them  Curricular Evening – Time to be confirmed once doodlepoll results have been collated</p> <p><b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup></b>  P7 Transition Project 2-3pm</p> <p><b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup></b>  Soup and Pudding – 12-2pm in the Barvas &amp; Brue Community Centre</p> <p><b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup></b>  Assembly – Free Church Easter Service  Rowing Festival – P6 &amp; 7 from 5.30-8pm in the Sports Centre in Stornoway</p> <p><b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup></b>  Assembly – P1G pupil led assembly all parents/carers warmly invited to attend, time to be confirmed  P7 Transition Project 2-3pm  Last Day before the Easter Holidays</p> <p><b>APRIL 2020</b></p> <p><b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup></b>  Pupils and Staff back to school</p> <p><b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup></b>  Intergenerational Group – 11-12noon P5-6</p> <p><b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup></b>  Parents Meeting – times to be confirmed closer to the time</p> <p><b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup></b>  Fundraising Evening Event – more information to follow</p> <p><b>MAY 2020</b></p> <p><b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> – Monday 11<sup>th</sup></b>  Long weekend – pupils and staff off</p> <p><b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup></b>  Assembly – P4-7G pupil led assembly all parents/carers warmly invited to attend, time to be confirmed</p> <p><b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup></b>  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><b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup></b>  Hùb Hùb – Sgoil Àraich, P1-3G 1.15pm</p> <p><b>JUNE 2020</b></p> <p><b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 5<sup>th</sup></b>  Local Mod – more information closer to the time</p> <p><b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup></b>  P7 Induction to the Nicolson Institute</p> <p><b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup></b>  Fundraising Evening Event – more information to follow</p>		
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	<p>Wednesday <b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup></b> Last day before the Summer Holidays</p> <p><b>** PLEASE NOTE ALL ABOVE DATES &amp; TIMES CAN BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**</b></p>		
6. Sgoil Àraich	<p>The Sgoil Àraich direct line is 822845, which can be used out with school hours.</p> <p><b>Can we remind parents/carers to be dropping and collecting children at the arranged time for the Sgoil Àraich.</b> 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><b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup></b> Assembly – Sgoil Àraich pupil led assembly all parents/carers/families warmly invited to attend, starting at 9.30am. All children are invited to attend. If your child does not normally attend on a Friday morning we would great appreciate them coming along. Can all children come to Sgoil Àraich by 8.45/9am at be latest in order to get them all ready for a 9.30am start. Following the assembly you are invited to come into the Sgoil Àraich for a play and cuppa</p> <p><b>All Year Contracted Children Holidays</b> Sgoil Àraich will be closed to ALL YEAR contracted children on the following dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2020</li> <li>• Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2020</li> <li>• Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020</li> </ul>	Parents/Carers	
7. Tesco's Bag Packing	We would like to thank all those who took part in the bag packing on the 29 <sup>th</sup> of February. A fantastic amount of £833 was raised towards school funds.	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	
8. P6/7 School Trip Fundraiser	The P6/7's have decided to do a football card fundraiser for their school trip. These will follow in pascans this week with an explanation of how the card works.	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	
9. 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 at break time and lunchtime.	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	
10. School Website	The current school website is down and we hope the it will be back up and running soon. <a href="https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/es/sats/">https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/es/sats/</a>	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	
11. School Uniforms	School uniforms can be ordered through <a href="http://www.myclothing.com">www.myclothing.com</a> and search for Sgoil an Taobh Siar.	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	
12. 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	
13. After School Clubs	<p><b>Lego Club</b> Lego Club will be on weekly on a Monday afternoon 3-4pm if we have enough parent/carer volunteers. <b>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.</b> If there are not enough volunteers Lego Club will unfortunately have to stop.</p> <p><b>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.</b></p>	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	
14. Sanitary Products	There will be sanitary towels in the upper girls' toilets should any of the girls need to use them	Parents/Carers/Pupils	
15. Parent Council	<p><b>Easy Fundraising</b> <a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sgoilantaobhsiar-1541689653-1717926306/">https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sgoilantaobhsiar-1541689653-1717926306/</a></p>	Teachers/Parents/Carers	

<b>16. Park Run</b>	Park Run has started in the Castle Grounds on Saturday's, at 9.30am. This is a family event for runners and walkers. If interested please go to the parkrun website <a href="http://www.parkrun.com">www.parkrun.com</a> to register under Lews Castle Parkrun.	Staff/Parents/Carers	
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