

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

TITLE : Weekly Minutes of Sgoil/Sgoil Àraich an Taobh Siar Staff & Pupils
DATE : Week Beginning 26/10/20 **TIME** :
VENUE : Sgoil an Taobh Siar
DISTRIBUTION: All Staff & Pupils

Present: All staff and pupils

Item	Summary and Action	Who?	When?
1. Pupil's personal belongings/Dropping off and Picking up	<p>Can we remind all children in school and Sgoil Àraich that they are not allowed to be taking in their own personal belongings and under no circumstances are children allowed to be taking their mobile phones into school with them. If a child needs to take their phone in with them, they should hand it in to the school office and it will be returned at the end of the day.</p> <p>Please note that the earliest a pupil should be dropped off at school is 8.45am. If they are dropped off before that time, parents must be aware that they are not the responsibility of the school, as we have no one to look after them. At present we will allow them into the school building, but this may have to be reviewed over time if numbers increase.</p> <p>If you have advised the school that you will be picking up your children at 2.45pm, please ensure that you are prompt for this pick-up time. All pupils are welcome to stay at school until 3pm. The offer of the 2.45pm pick up is to ease congestion, but some pupils have been standing waiting more than 15 minutes to be picked up when they could be in class for that time.</p>	Pupils/Parents/Carers	
2. Car Park	We would just like to remind all parents/carers to take care when parking and turning at drop off and pick up times. Many Thanks.		
3. School Aims & Values	<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	
4. 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>	Parents/Carers	Daily

	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		
5. Sgoil Araich	Can we remind parents who are dropping off children for Sgoil Àraich that you are entering through the garden and that at picking up times you pick up from the main door. Can we remind parents/carers to bring in wellies with the children when they are in Sgoil Àraich please.	Parents/Carers	
6. Achievements	Lois – made pumpkin soup and apple & pear crumble with the help of Mum Donnie M – made his own Halloween decorations Amber – was helping Dad at home organise boxes Grace – made jelly for the first time with Granny Aaron – made a ginger bread man for the first time with Mum Rachel – was cutting cheese on her own Ruairidh – learned to play Monopoly with his family Angus Finlay – was learning how to do a wheelie on his buggy Logan – built a solar powered car Kara – learned how to make Rocky Road Hannah – made a Gingerbread house from Lego Kerry – carved a pumpkin and made a banana cake Abbie F – was riding a horse Iona – was helping Mum tidy the living room Hanifa – was learning how to look after her new kittens		
7. Dates for Diary	Free Dress Friday Dates – Due to the current Covid situation school offices are not allowed to handle any money. If parents/carers wish to donate to the school funds, please do so by paying directly into the bank. RBS Account Number 10729369 Sort code 83-27-12 Account name Sgoil an Taobh Siar Friday 30 th October Friday 27 th November Tuesday 22 nd December – Christmas Jumper/Non Uniform Day <u>Parent Council Meeting</u> Tuesday 27 th October at 7pm via zoom. All parents and carers are encouraged to join using the following link: Topic: SATS Parent Council Time: Oct 27, 2020 07:00 PM London Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86546970214?pwd=dHA0b3JDZ2ZJOXdzK0psQk50TXJsUT09 Meeting ID: 865 4697 0214 Passcode: 171183 School Holidays November 20 th -23 rd – long weekend, school will close 3pm on Thursday 19 th November December 23 rd - 6 th January 21 – Christmas holidays, the school will close 3pm on Tuesday 22 nd Dec February 10 th -15 th – local holiday, school will close on Tuesday 9 th at 3pm March 26 th -12 th April – Easter holidays, school will close at 3pm on Thursday 25 th		

	<p>April 30th-3rd May – long weekend, school will close on Thursday 29th at 3pm June 25th – the school will close on Friday 25th June at 3pm for the Summer holidays</p> <p>** PLEASE NOTE ALL ABOVE DATES & TIMES CAN BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**</p>		
8. Water/Juice Bottles	<p>We are aware that this information was sent out direct from the local authority, but we would like to reiterate what procedures are in place regarding the provision of water in the school.</p> <p>All pupils were asked to bring a filled water bottle to school. They can bring more than one. The school has now been issued with water bottles and some refillable water bottles in the rare event that pupils do not bring one in from home.</p> <p>Pupils will be able to refill their water bottles at school canteens by asking the canteen staff to fill the bottles for them. Pupils need to remove the lids themselves and hand the bottles to the staff for filling and put the lid back on themselves. We will be issuing gloves to canteen staff just for the filling of water bottles to avoid any potential cross contamination.</p> <p>All children are reminded that only water is 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.</p>	Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff	
9. Sanitary Products	There will be sanitary towels in the upper girls' toilets should any of the girls need to use them	Parents/Carers/Pupils	
10. Useful Websites	<p><u>School Website</u> https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/es/sats/</p> <p><u>School Uniforms</u> School Uniforms can be ordered through www.myclothing.com and search for Sgoil an Taobh Siar</p> <p><u>Parent Council</u> Easy Fundraising https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sgoilantaobhsiar-1541689653-1717926306/</p> <p><u>School Meal Payments (P4-7 Pupils)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.cne-siar.gov.uk • There is a PAY IT option and when you click on it which will give you a list of options. The one you want to click on is MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS • Miscellaneous Online Payments • Once in this option you click on SCHOOLS CATERING and select SGOIL AN TAOBH SIAR 	Teachers/Parents/Carers	
11. Stone Wall	Can we ask that no children should be climbing onto the stone wall in front of the school building. It has been noted that some of the stones are loose and are falling off and we do not want any child/ren to hurt themselves.	Parents/Carers/Pupils	
12. Shoe Box Appeal 2020	<p>Please see the information update from the Blythswood organisers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The leaflets cannot be delivered to the school. They have to be uplifted by the school from the Blythswood Charity Shop or alternatively downloaded from the Blythswood website. 		

Parents could be encouraged to download the leaflet themselves or the school could download the leaflet and email them to parents.

- School talks by a Blythswood representative are not permitted to be given this year.
- The website can be used to give children background information on the shoebox appeal.
- The filled shoeboxes must be taken directly to the appeal centre. They must not be taken to the school as in the past.
- The Appeal Centre will be open on these days and times for receiving the boxes –
Thurs 5th November 3pm – 6pm
Fri 6th November 3pm – 7pm,
Sat 7th November 10am – midday

6 steps to bring happiness

- Find:** Find an average-size shoebox. Decide who to fill it for: a child, a teenager, a man or a woman.
- Wrap:** your box and lid separately so that the lid can be removed without tearing the paper.
- Pack:** Gather the items, remove any excess packaging and pack into the box.
- Check:** On the checklist, tick the items you have put in your shoebox and note any that are not on the list.
- Donate:** Secure the ticked checklist to the outside of the shoebox lid using sticky tape. Detach the donation envelope as instructed and place with your donation inside your box.
- Deliver:** Secure the lid with rubber bands. (Custom regulations require Blythswood Care to check the contents of your box.) Deliver your box to your local collection point.

Tear along the perforations to detach this panel and secure to the outside of your shoebox.

For Christmas delivery your shoebox should be at your church, school or other collection point during the last week of October/ beginning of November



Checklist

Please tick items included and firmly secure this list on your shoebox lid.

ESSENTIAL ITEMS (ALL ITEMS MUST BE NEW):
Include the following items highlighted in the top box.

<input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush and Toothpaste	<input type="checkbox"/> Small Toy for boys and girls such as cars, dolls, balls. Please only include new shop-bought toys.
<input type="checkbox"/> Hat, scarf, gloves	<input type="checkbox"/> Sweets (No chocolate or any other food). Best before date no earlier than 31 March next year. No loose sweets, lollies or undated bags of sweets.
<input type="checkbox"/> Soap	
<input type="checkbox"/> Underwear	

Do not include used or damaged items; war related items such as toy guns or knives or military figures; hand-made or knitted stuffed toys; chocolate or any food other than sweets. Chocolate Eisbars and Chocolate Limes are not allowed; books that are mainly words should also not be included.

Toiletries (NO TALCUM POWDER)	Household Candles
<input type="checkbox"/> Shampoo	<input type="checkbox"/> Screwdrivers/Pliers
<input type="checkbox"/> Soap/Shower gel	<input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen Utensils
<input type="checkbox"/> Face cloth/ Moist wipes	Stationery
<input type="checkbox"/> Deodorant	<input type="checkbox"/> Pens/Pencils/Sharpener
<input type="checkbox"/> Moisturising Cream	<input type="checkbox"/> Notepads/Colouring books
<input type="checkbox"/> Comb/Brush	<input type="checkbox"/> Rulers/Rubbers
<input type="checkbox"/> Sanitary Products	Clothes and other Items
<input type="checkbox"/> Shaving foam/Razors	(T-shirts/Pyjamas/Jumpers/ Shirts) etc.
<input type="checkbox"/> Socks/Tights	
Miscellaneous	
<input type="checkbox"/> New Make-up	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sewing Equipment	

Please tick the box next to who the box is for. Please specify the age of the girl or boy you have filled this box for:

<input type="checkbox"/> Girl.....yrs	<input type="checkbox"/> Boy.....yrs
<input type="checkbox"/> Teenage.....yrs	<input type="checkbox"/> Teenage.....yrs
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