

NAIDHEACHDAN/NEWS SGOIL AN TAOBH SIAR



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Nollaig Chrìdheil agus Bliadhna Mhath Ùr!
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Naidheachdan Clas 1/2G

B' e ar pròiseact an term-sa, 'Ar Coimhearsnachd'. Rinn sinn dealbhan, mapaichean, taighean airson a bhalla agus sgrìobh sinn bàrdachd mu dheidhinn Leòdhas. Ann am matamataig bha sinn uile ag ionnsachadh mu dheidhinn cuir-ris agus thoir air falbh, làimhseachadh data agus rudan fada agus goirid. Rinn sinn graf mu dheidhinn am beathach as fheàrr leinn. Tha sinn ag ionnsachadh na fuaimhean ùr againn le disgo/ ceilidh fuaimhean agus tha seo a' còrdadh rinn gu mòr. Bha sinn cuideachd ag ionnsachadh mu dheidhinn Dibhaili agus pàtran rangoil. Leugh sinn Stòraidh na Nollaig agus rinn sinn dealbh de feadhainn de na daoine anns an

stòraidh. Rinn sinn preasantan Nollaig à taois dha na daoine a tha nar cuideachadh. Bha sinn a' bruidhinn mu ar faireachdainnean agus rinn sinn dolaichean airson bruidhinn mun deidhinn. Chunnaic sinn Leugh le Linda air an 'Smartboard' agus rinn Mgr Caimbeul co-chruinneachadh dhuinn cuideachd. Chòrd e rinn a bhith a' faicinn daidh Daniel air an sgrìn. Bha tòrr spòrs againn ag ionnsachadh an 'Virginia Reel' anns an tàlla. B' e an rud a b'fheàrr a rinn sinn ge tà, sgeadachadh an uinneag againn. Rinn sinn bodach sneachd, craobh agus stocainnean. Rinn sinn preasantan agus rionnagan. Chòrd e rinn gu mòr. Bha tòrr plòigh againn le Bob, an elf air an sgeilf cuideachd.



Clas 1-2 air beulaibh an uinneag aca.



Cò as àirde ann an clas 1/2?



P1-4E with their Christmas window.



P1-4 enjoying their Christmas lunch.

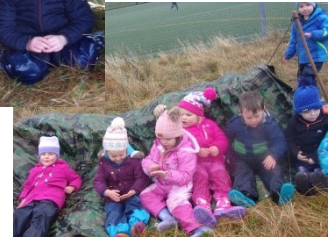
P1-4E News

In the last newsletter we reported that Miss Somerville was leaving. We do miss her but are very happy to have Mrs Macphail and Mrs Doig teaching us every week. In numeracy we have all been exploring basic fractions and sequencing, P3 have been learning to recognise and select the right coins and P4 have been learning strategies for subtraction and enjoying the Times Tables Challenge. In literacy we have been learning to write instructions and all enjoyed the recent reindeer comprehension. Christmas time is always a busy time of year. Even though we have no concert to prepare for, our classroom has been a hive of activity! We have enjoyed developing lots of skills through our enterprise project, our fantastic Christmas window display, drama, crafts and the virtual race to Lapland which we're doing as our daily mile. The elf came back this year from his travels and has been teaching us about how Christmas is celebrated in other countries. We are also enjoying learning about body systems with Mrs Doig. One of the things we are working to improve is thinking about others and learning about our school values. We have really enjoyed our new teachers, friends, diary writing, enterprise, creating our window display and Christmas crafts. We have also enjoyed numeracy, story time and the elf. We hope you all have a peaceful Christmas.

Naidheachdan an Sgoil-Araich

We have been very busy this term. Lindy Saunders, Ruairidh's mum, who works for Urras Oighreachd Ghabh-sainn, came in to build a den and do bush craft with us, as part of our mini topic on fire. It was great fun. We were in two groups and with a little help, we built two big dens. Lindy made a fire in a washing machine drum. We had to be very careful around the fire as it is so dangerous. We each got a stick with a marshmallow and with help from Lindy, we toasted the marshmallow

by the fire. They were so delicious. Every Thursday morning we have a video link where we watch and listen to Leugh le Linda. It's great listening to lots of different stories. We have been very busy making Christmas crafts and decorations. The Sgoil-Àraich looks soooo Christmassy. We have also been learning Christmas songs too. We would like to welcome Josh to the Sgoil-Àraich. We really hope you enjoy your time with us here. We all hope that you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



De bha dol aig Clas 3-4G?

Ann an cànan, sgrìobh sinn litrichean gu daoine anns a' choimhearsnachd agus rinn sinn an àirde na raoidean againn fhèin airson Oidhche Shamhna. Rinn sinn bàrdachd acrosstic airson latha cuimhneachan agus mu dheidhinn an eile-an againn. Ann am mata-mataig, bha sinn ag obair ag ionnsachadh uireadan duilich agus mar a leughas sinn a ghleoc. Bha sinn cuideachd ag ionnsachadh mu dheidhinn cumaidhean 2D agus 3D. Rinn sinn tòrr ealan an term-sa. Bha sinn a' dèanamh sèinicheam pàipear agus bleideagan sneachd airson a chlas, sgeadaich sinn na h-uinneagan againn gu sgoinneil. Chleachd sinn cairt mòr, peant agus paipear. Rinn sinn logo airson farpais Banca-bidh Bharabhais. Airson Clann ann an Èis, rinn sinn bunting, masgaichean,

tomhas 'Cò am bèibidh?' agus 'Cuir am brèid san àite ceart air Pudsey'. Dh'ionnsaich sinn cuideachd mu dheidhinn Guy Fawkes. Bha Elf air an sgeilf a' crostachd sa chlas againn. Tha pàr-taidh na Nollaig gu bhith againn anns na clasaichean againn fhèin air an latha mu dheireadh. Tha sinn air bhoil air a shon. Chòrd e rinn na seudaireachdan crèadh a dhèanamh airson an craobh Nollaig agus chòrd e rinn uile a bhith a sgeadachadh na h-uinneagan againn. Bha e math cairtean bodach sneachd, sèinichean pàipear agus seudaireachd Rudolf a dhèanamh. Ged a bha tòrr spòrs againn, cha do chòrd e rinn mòran a bhith ag obair air an sleigh/taigh airson an uinneag oir bha am PVA ro steigeach agus bha e a' dol anns a h-uile àite. Nuair a bha sinn ag obair air an Grinch bha na làmhnan againn a fàs sgìth a' cur dath.



Clas 3-4 air beulaibh na h-uinneig aca.

Pupil Council Update

When we met this term, the Pupil Council had lots of sensible suggestions and questions. A lot of their questions were met with the answer no, due to Covid-19. The main job for the Pupil Council was to take responsibility for the checking of dates and the cleaning of all the jars, tins, packets, for the Take a Tin to School initiative for the Barvas Foodbank. Sgoil an Taobh Siar did themselves proud and their contribu-

tion to the foodbank will help many people. Thank you! We did think of lots of things they can do to help at wet breaks. Their first job next term will be to make up suitable Wet Play activities for each class.



Naidheachdan C5-7G

An term sa bha tidsear-oileanach againn leis an ainm Miss Macritchie. Bha i cho snog. Bha sinn a' dèanamh tòrr rudan còmhla rithe mar Nollaig timcheall an t-saoghal agus mìrean-measgaichte, bhe e spòrsail. Bha i gar cuideachadh le sgeadachadh na h-uinneagan agus peantadh am bòrd Nollaig a rinn sinn airson a dhol a Steòrnabhagh. Bha Miss Macritchie a' dèanamh Clànn ann an Èis còmhla rinn. Rinn sinn 'cuir brèid air Pudsey agus fhuair sinn siùcairean. 'S e latha math a bh'ann agus thog sinn tòrr airgead. Bha sinn a' dèanamh tòrr rudan ann am PE mar ball-basgaid agus geama le 'hoop'. Anns an geama 'hoop' feumaidh sinn a dhol dha na hoops agus dèanamh clach, paipear, siosar agus ma tha thusa a buannachadh bidh thusa a' dol as deidh na daoine eile, bha tòrr spòrs ann. Thàinig Jenna a-null airson ar cuideachadh le 'Young Leaders'. Bha sinn ag ionnsachadh mar a chluicheas sinn geamaichean leis an fheadhainn bheag. Bha sinn ag ionnsachadh mu Dibhaili an term-sa. Fhuair sinn a-mach mu dheidhinn Rama agus Sita. Se diathan Hindu a th'annta. Airson ceangall ri Nollaig agus Dibhaili, bha sinn a' dèanamh coinnlean airson toirt seachad dha daoine san teaghlach is feadhainn a tha ag obair san sgoil againn. Rinn an sgoil gu lèir farpais airson sgeadachadh na h-uinneagan againn. Bha trì uinneagan eadar-dhealaichte againn is bha iad cho brèagha. Tha sinn ag obair air Sumdog. Fhuair sinn 'subscription' anis agus tha sin a' leigeal dhuinn cluich tòrr a bharrachd gemaichean mar 'Power boat'. Tha e spòrsail. Tha an sgoil gu lèir a' ruith gu Lapland agus tha sinn a dol timcheall an astroturf 8 turas no barrachd gach latha. Ma ruigeas sinn anns an tìde tha Lindy a' tighinn a-steach airson

teine a dhèanamh le teoclaid teth agus s'mores. Chuir sinn ar film a-steach gu Film G am bliadhna, bha e eadar-dhealaithe am bliadhna seo oir bha an Corona Bhioras ann. 'S ann mu dheidhinn Cafaidh Bhigean a bha am film agus feumaidh sibh bhòtadh air a shon nuair a thèid e beò air loidhne. Bha sinn fuaigheal baubles fiodha le pàtrain airson Nollaig. Bha iad a' coimhead gu math snog. Ann am matamataig bha sinn ag ionnsachadh mu co-chomharran, chluich sinn 'Battleships' agus an uairsin rinn sinn fear sinn fhìn mun Nollaig. Bha e gu math spòrsail. Bha sinn cuideachd ag ionnsachadh mu bloighean, feadhainn co-ionnan agus àireamhean measgaichte. Bha clas 6 agus 7 ag obair le Miss Macritchie airson ionnsachadh mu airdean na còmbaist. Eadar an dà term tha sinn air tòrr ealan a dhèanamh le bhith a' coimhead air obair Steven Brown, Charles Rennie Mackintosh agus Jolomo, am measg luchd-ealan as an eilean againn fhìn cuideachd.

We are now allowed into the gym hall after having PE on the football pitch for the first few months back at school. We were all very pleased. Our playground is now split into five sections. We have a different area every day so we can keep our distance from the other classes. We had a student teacher named Miss Macritchie this term. She helped with the window display, we drew a jigsaw piece with our favourite things written on it and also taught us compass directions, amongst many other things. We were also learning about Christmas in different countries around the world with Miss Macritchie. For Children in Need in our classrooms, we did 'Guess the Teacher', we had a Pudsey quiz and we had to try to 'Put the patch on

Pudsey'. There was 'Guess the number of sweets in the jar' too and we all had lots of fun. We decorated our window for a competition where we post images of our class windows onto Facebook and each 'like' will count as vote. The class with the most likes wins a prize. Seumas, Campbell and Lewis decorated half the Christmas board to go around Stornoway so everyone that passes through will be cheered up. We have now got a subscription for Sumdog. This allows us to play more games and unlock grammar and spelling. Sumdog is a maths game where you get asked questions and earn coins for the most correct answers. We had a virtual assembly with Mr Campbell and talked about Diwali and how many different gods they have and when they celebrate. He also spoke about Jesus and Christianity. Jenna Macleod came in to train us for Young Leaders and play fun games. One of them was 'Pop the Bubble' where instead of tagging people we pop their bubble which means you've been tagged without any contact. P6/7 had Christmas sewing packs, which contained wooden baubles or trees, thread and needles. We had to sew designs onto the wooden shapes. P5 were weaving star designs. We decorated candles with some paint pens. We gifted them to some staff and family members or friends. P5-7G entered a competition run by Film G. We had to act out scenes and it was all put together to make the film. It was about a Vegan café opening in Barvas. It was hard work but it was great fun. We are taking part in a challenge to run to Lapland. We have to do as many laps as we can every day to be the first class to reach Lapland.



Some of P5-7G having their Christmas dinner



P5-7G in their Christmas jumpers

What's been happening with P5-7E?

The Barvas Foodbank ran a logo competition. The winning logo will be used in advertisements for the food bank. There were a few other schools competing so there were a lot of competitors. The overall winner was a pupil in our class, Kara Macleod P5. Well done, Kara! Amy (P4) was a runner-up, Well done to Amy too! The Barvas food bank is a big blue container beside the Barvas hall. The school have been donating food to them. The food bank helps people that cannot afford any food and the food bank is free. You are not allowed to give food to them that is out of date or things that cannot last very long. The school took part in 'Take a Tin to School' to support the Foodbank. We collected about 7 bags full of tins which went to the foodbank. On Làtha na Gàidhlig the upper classes had a Vscene with Robert Robertson from Tidelines. He told us about his music and how you should never give up on it because music is important and if you can play an instrument you should continue learning it so eventually you will

be able to play anything on that instrument. Sum dog is a really fun maths, spelling and grammar game. This term we were involved in a Western Isles Sumdog Challenge. The challenge was to answer the most questions and get them right. Astonishingly, the P5-7 English class came 4th and the Gaelic class came 5th out of 42 classes in the Western Isles. Jenna Macleod came to the school to teach us how to be a good young leader. She told us that the younger ones don't like running so she disguised running games by pretending to be animals, food and cartoons. She taught us about using space, if it's too small it's not fun and if it's too big it's too hard but if it's the right size it's fun for everyone. She said if were playing tag we could make it more fun for the younger ones by pretending to be running away from a bear. The whole school are taking part in a challenge to reach Lapland. We do at least 9 laps a day around the football pitch with our class. The inspiration for the challenge was a story about a reindeer and a fox.

The story begins where Comet and the fox are introduced in the mountains and trees. Before the fox and Comet met, Comet couldn't fly because people's hearts weren't warm enough and the fox said that people were upset. Because Comet couldn't fly they had to walk a long journey of 145 miles to Lapland, which is what we aim to do. Each class is taking part in a window display competition. We filled our windows with presents, Santa and lots of Christmas fun things. The competition is just for Sgoil An Taobh Siar. In school all of the classes have been doing lots of arts and crafts like making Rudolph and painting Christmas trees. This term we had a Teams online meeting with SEPA, who look after the environment. They spoke to us about flooding. They said that you can put special bags outside your door when a flood comes and they put a flood warning out when a flood is coming. The upper classes really enjoyed it.



P5-7E on Children in Need Day wearing yellow!



Some of P5-7E enjoying their delicious Christmas lunch



Kara's winning foodbank logo!

P7 girls enjoying their delicious Christmas lunch



Who won the Christmas window competition?

P3-4G won the Christmas window display with 89 votes.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Well done to all classes for amazing displays.

