

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 28/08/2023 **TIME :** 9.10am
VENUE : Sgoil an Taobh Siar
DISTRIBUTION: All Staff & Pupils

Item	Summary and Action	Who?	When?
1. Welcome	<p>Mrs Alice MacLeod, Head Teacher, warmly welcomed all staff and pupils.</p> <p><i>NUT FREE ZONE – AIRBORNE ALLERGY</i> <i>We would like to let all parents know that, due to allergies, Sgoil an Taobh Siar and the Sgoil Àraich are a strictly ‘Nut Free Zone’. Please ensure no pupils take nuts or products that may contain nuts in their lunch boxes or as a snack. Please be vigilant and check all snacks and sun cream for nuts in the ingredients and in the allergy advice.</i></p> <p>Behaviour, Respect & Manners Mrs MacLeod reminded all pupils to be on their best behaviour, have good manners and respect all staff and each other, all the time. Each week the class (including Sgoil-Àraich) that has shown the best examples of good manners, good behaviour and hard work will receive the HT trophy for the week. We will also continue with the HT special achievement awards for individual pupils who have shown exceptional behaviour and hard work.</p> <p>Water Bottles & Snacks All children should be coming to school with a filled refillable bottle for throughout the school day. The water cooler is there for children to use should they wish to refill their bottle. 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 taken at break time and lunchtime.</p> <p>Buses Mrs MacLeod reminded all pupils that there <u>must be good behaviour on the buses to and from school.</u> Seatbelts should be worn at all times and pupils should not be coming out of their seats until it their turn to be getting off the bus. Should there be any misbehaviour on the bus a warning will be given and after three warnings your child/ren will need to be taken to and from school for a minimum of a week. Children were also reminded that they are not allowed to be eating on the bus.</p>		

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	<p><u>PE days</u> <u>Could pupils please bring/wear their trainers and a bottle of water on PE days.</u></p> <p>Canteen Mrs MacLeod spoke about the food waste in the canteen and reiterated the importance of children choosing food that they like and will eat on the canteen menu or in their packed lunches. All packed lunches should be healthy choice.</p>		
2. 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> 		
3. Head Teachers Award	<p>Sgoil Àraich – Amelie airson a toirt taic agus a cuideachadh a chlann ùr P1-2 G – Roddy airson sealltainn modh agus bruidhinn Gàidhlig P3-4 G – Katie airson a’ sealltainn modh agus coibhneas P1-4 E – Amelia for being kind and looking after others in the class P5-7 G – Riley oir bha thu na do dheagh thidsear fesgar Dihaoine – Young Leaders P5-7 E – Rory for displaying good manners</p> <p>Class Trophy Went to P5-7 G for their good work with Young Leaders, on their WW2 topic, using Gaelic in class and remembering so much of their maths over the holidays. Well done P5-7 G, ‘s math a rinn sibh!</p>		
4. Pupils’ 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.</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</p>		

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	them. At present we will allow them into the school building, but this may have to be reviewed over time if numbers increase.		
5. 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.	Pupils/Parents/Carers	
6. 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 speak 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>		
7. Sgoil Àraich	<p>Can we remind parents/carers to bring in wellies with the children when they are in Sgoil Àraich</p> <p>Can we ask that all children's jackets and bags are clearly labelled.</p> <p>If your child has achieved anything over the weekend could you let the staff know.</p>	Parents/Carers	Daily
8. Dates for Diary	<p>Free Dress Friday Dates – If parents/carers wish to donate to the school funds, please do so by either paying directly into the bank; RBS Account Number 10729369 Sort code 83-27-12 Account name Sgoil an Taobh Siar, or taking cash into the school on the day. Many thanks. The dates are listed below:</p> <p>Friday 29 September Friday 27 October Thursday 23 November Thursday 21 December</p> <p>TERM 1 DATES AUGUST Wednesday 30 – YMI in the morning and Gaelic Music in the afternoon Thursday 31 – Kodaly for all P5's here in the school.</p> <p>SEPTEMBER Friday 1 – P4 & P5 Swimming over at the Stornoway pool in the afternoon. Children will need their swimwear and a towel. Wednesday 6th September – Village litter pick – all P5-7 pupils. P1-4 classes with do a clean up in term 4.</p>	Parents/Carers	

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	<p>Thursday 7 – Kodaly for all P5's here in the school. Friday 8 – P4 & P5 Swimming over at the Stornoway pool in the afternoon. Children will need their swimwear and a towel. Thursday 14 – Kodaly for all P5's here in the school. Friday 15 – P4 & P5 Swimming over at the Stornoway pool in the afternoon. Children will need their swimwear and a towel. Thursday 21 – Kodaly for all P5's here in the school. Friday 22 – P4 & P5 Swimming over at the Stornoway pool in the afternoon. Children will need their swimwear and a towel. Thursday 26 – Kodaly for all P5's over in the Barvas Hall. All pupils will need a snack, water bottle and packed lunch. Friday 29 – P4 & P5 Swimming over at the Stornoway pool in the afternoon. Children will need their swimwear and a towel.</p> <p>OCTOBER Tuesday 3rd – Flu clinic for all the pupils. The school nurses will be delivery consent forms soon and they are required to be back in the school office by Monday 4th September. They have requested that parents return the forms even if indication a “no consent”. For safety reasons they will not accept unscreened forms sent to the primary schools from parents requesting vaccination on the day of delivery at the school. Friday 6th – P4 & P5 Swimming over at the Stornoway pool in the afternoon. Children will need their swimwear and a towel. Wednesday 11th – MacMillan Coffee Afternoon 1.30-3pm. Any donations of baking will be gratefully received. Thursday 12th – Last day of school. October holidays from 13-26th October</p> <p>** PLEASE NOTE ALL ABOVE DATES & TIMES CAN BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**</p>		
<p>9. Sanitary Products</p>	<p>There will be sanitary towels in the upper girls' toilets should any of the girls need to use them</p>	<p>Pupils/Parents/Carers/Staff</p>	
<p>10. Useful Websites</p>	<p><u>School Website</u> https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/es/sats/ <u>School Uniforms</u> School Uniforms can be ordered through www.myclothing.com and search for Sgoil an Taobh Siar <u>Parent Council</u> <u>Easy Fundraising</u> https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk</p>	<p>Parents/Carers/Pupils</p>	

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	<p><u>School Meal Payments (P6-7 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 • <u>Miscellaneous Online Payments</u> <p>Once in this option you click on SCHOOLS CATERING and select SGOIL AN TAOBH SIAR</p>		
<p>11. End of the School Day</p>	<p><u>Stone Wall</u> 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.</p> <p><u>Safety During Pick Up</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It has come to our attention that some children have been running around the wall close to the road where the buses park. To avoid any accidents please ensure that all children are well supervised. 	<p>Teachers/Parents/Carers</p>	