



Bun-sgoil Ghàidhlig Bhaile a' Ghobhainn Litir-naidheachd



An Dùbhlachd 2023

Far am bi aisling gan togail

Bho dheasg a' Cheannaird.... From the Head Teacher's desk....

Tha na beagan sheachdainean a dh' fhalbh air a bhith na thoileachas mòr leis gu bheil sinn air a bhith trang ag ullachadh airson ar tachartasan Nollaige. The past few weeks have been an utter joy as we have been busy preparing for our Christmas events. There are many excited children and staff.

Staffing News

I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Collins, our SflWer has agreed to support us in the office while we continue to wait for a permanent full-time clerical staff member to be appointed. This means that the office will be manned from 8:30-4:00 on Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays and 8:30-2:45 on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Hopefully this will help our situation in the interim. Please note that Mrs Collins will undertake her SflWer role between 10:00-2:00 each day. The 10:00-2:00 office slot will continue to be covered by our part-time clerical worker Mrs Ifrate.

Miss McKay is off at the moment and myself and Mrs Urquhart will do our best to deal with any issues or queries that you have but please remember that I only work 2 and half days in the school and that Mrs Urquhart is in class daily until 12:15. Please be patient, we will get back to you.

I would like to offer my congratulations to Mrs Campbell-Bradley on the birth of her son, Seumas Bradley. We can't wait to meet the newest member of the Govan Gaelic family; Mealaibh ur naidheachd. The news confirms that Mrs Campbell-Bradley has commenced her period of maternity and so Ms MacLeod will remain as the class teacher for C2 until June 2024.

Here are some of November's highlights.

- C5-P7/6 had a fantastic opportunity to develop their mapping skills and explore place names in Gaelic with Spòrs Ghlaschu.
- C4/3 went on a tour around Govan to explore the local community
- C6 went to the Glasgow Museum Resource to find out information on their WW1 topic
- Some C7 children attended the Young People's forum in the City Chambers
- Our choir sang beautifully at the Fairfield club as part of the Govan Winter Gathering

Children also had a great day fundraising for Clann ann an Èis (Children in Need) we do not have a total yet on the amount we raised but we will get that information out as soon as we can.

Please see the diary overleaf for the exciting events that we have planned over the last few weeks of term.

I wish you all a very peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year. Tha mi a' guidhe Nollaig Chridheil agus Bliadhna Mhath Ùr dhuibh uile.

Paul Cassidy, Executive Head Teacher

Family Cèilidh

Huge congratulations to our Comhairle Phàrant (Parent Council) for planning, preparing and delivering and outstanding Family Cèilidh for St Andrew's day.

The total raised was an incredible £1700! This will go directly into funding projects, events and resources to support our children.

Taing mhòr!

Oidhche Fiolm

Our Family Engagement Leadership group are looking forward to welcoming families for our Christmas Film Night on the 7th of December.

There will be fun Gaelic activities and then the Christmas movies.



Class Visits—November 2023

I had a great time visiting all the classes and seeing the fantastic learning.

The Gaelic language lessons were active, engaging and demonstrated how highly skilled our teachers are in supporting our children in their language acquisition.

I was so impressed with the children's Gaelic language skills. Cùmaibh suas an deagh obair!
Mr Cassidy



Saor-làithean na Nollaige

December - Christmas and New Year

Schools close at 2.30 pm on Friday, 22 December 2023
Monday, 25 December 2023 - Friday, 5 January 2024
(Christmas holidays)

January

Schools return on Monday, 8 January 2024

FoghlamG—Save the Date

A new GME parents' forum called **FoghlamG** has been created.

FoghlamG will be a face to face quarterly forum, open to all parents and carers of pupils in GME. The meetings will focus on attainment, inclusion, achievement and family learning.

The first **FoghlamG** will be on Wednesday 24th January in Sgoil Ghàidhlig Ghlaschu. More details will be released in the New Year.

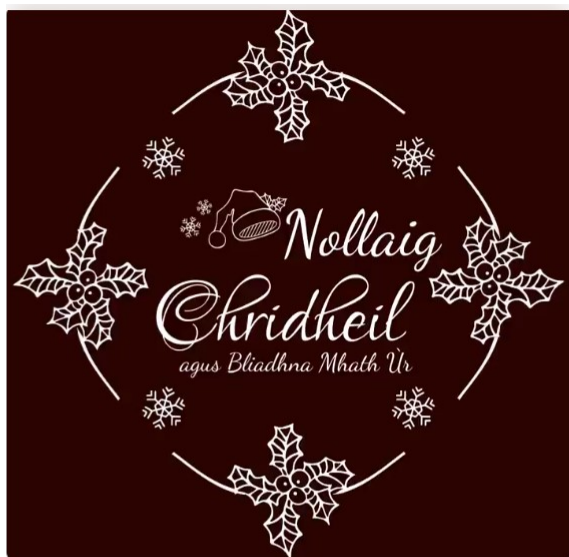


Cbeebies C1-C4

C1-C4 were treated to a fantastic preview of the Cbeebies Christmas Panto all through the medium of Gaelic. The children thoroughly enjoyed singing Christmas songs with some of the cast members including Leugh le Linda!

CBBC C4-7

On Tuesday the 12th of December, the CBBC cast will visit the school and preview the next season of An Sgoil. We are looking forward to their visit.



Diary Dates December Leabhar-Latha— An Dùbhlachd

- 8 Dec Christmas Jumper Day
- 14 Dec P5-P7 Choir singing for the Ronald McDonald Charity at 11:00am in St Enoch's Centre
All Parents Welcome
- 15 Dec Christmas Nativity at 9:30am.
Due to limited space only P1 and P2/1 parents can attend.
- 16 Dec Christmas Market (12-4)
Parent Council Event
- 19 Dec Christmas Parties P5, P6 & P7/6
- 20 Dec Christmas Parties P3, P4/3 & P4
- 20 Dec P4-7 Choir concert at BSGBG
Due to limited space only choir parents can attend
- 21 Dec Christmas Parties P1, P2/1 & P2

Transitions - Àrd-Sgoil Ghàidhlig Ghlaschu

C7 enjoyed the open evening at ASGG as part of their transition programme.

We were also delighted to welcome Ms Campbell-Thow and Mgr Rodgers to the school to answer questions from the pupils.

They can't wait to visit again in February!



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Togail-airgid Comhairle Phàrant/ Parent Council Fundraising

FUNDRAISING NEWS

READY TO RAISE MONEY AND HAVE FUN
ALONG THE WAY

TAPADH LEAT

Thank you to all who attended and supported our fundraising Ceilidh!

Great Music from Eriskay Lilt!

We made a fabulous £1700 for our school!

This will be split between Parent Council fund which will help support school trips, musical instruments and books and half to the Build a Playground fund.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?

Donations open for the toy and food bank

Use our easy Fundraising App to claim back cash on any of your purchases. Aldi online, Amazon, P&O and all ATG theatres; The Kings, Theatre Royal and Edinburgh playhouse. Perfect for panto season.

- Download easy fundraising
- Add Govan Gaelic School
- Shop as normal - Thank you in advance

Every penny helps!

CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday 16th December 12-4

Toy and Food Bank donations welcomed on the day. We will drop to our local foodbank on behalf of the school before Christmas!

Entry to the Christmas market is a simple donation / pay what you can.

Christmas decoration will also be made by each child available to buy (pay what you can / donation)

13 vendors are ready to help you with your last minute Christmas shopping.

Games, tombola, food and lots more to come.

See you there.



UPCOMING EVENTS

16TH DECEMBER

Christmas Market
12-4

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all on the fundraising team.