

Bunsgoil Ghàidhlig Ghleann Dail Litir-naidheachd

An t-Sultain 2025

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

Our new academic year is well and truly underway. There has been a lovely atmosphere around the school since returning from our Summer break. The children have been desperate to show off some of their work in class, even inviting the HT into their class to see it. It is lovely to see the pride the pupils are showing in their work.

This is a rather full newsletter please take the time to read through everything and as always feel free to contact the school with any questions or queries.

<u>Achievements</u>

A huge well done to our Shinty Development Team who won the recent Central Scotland Development Cup. And well done to Leanna McKinstry who came in 2nd and 4th place at a recent Irish Dancing competition.

We could not be prouder of our pupils as they follow their own pursuits outside of school.

Homework Survey

Thank you to all who completed our online parental survey. We had over 60 respondents which is a great level of engagement. The survey results are summarised on page 3 of this newsletter and a brief outline of our plan moving forward. You can see from the results, there are very different views on homework from all stakeholders: pupils, parents/carers and staff. We hope our plan moving forward respects the views of all and demonstrates our willingness as a school to listen to the views and opinions of families and shape our practices accordingly.

Incident Reporting

As in all schools we are not without incident. We hope to respond to all incidents in a nurturing, honest and timely manner. The support and understanding from most parents has been greatly appreciated. As we begin our year, can I ask that if parents wish to discuss incidents occurring in school please contact the school management team. Whilst parental WhatsApp chats are very useful for passing on school information, they are not helpful forums for discussing anything of an individual nature. Wrong information is often passed and widely shared, causing undue stress and frustration to other parents whilst ignoring the immense effort from staff in our continued efforts to get it right for all learners.

Jamie McCasker Acting Head Teacher



School Improvement Priorities 2025-2026



Our school website is in the process of being added to. You will see some slight changes in the menu options and information available. This will be an on-going process over the next couple of weeks. You will be able to view:

- Our school improvement plan
- Standards and Qualities Report
- School policies

Staff have been working with our new planning formats at the beginning of this term which will drive an increase of consistency across all stages. Planning format changes have also been designed to promote increased professional dialogue for the purpose of improving differentiation and pace & challenge across our classrooms. I believe we are already seeing the benefits of these changes and this will be continually monitored through our Quality Assurance programme.



<u>Communication</u>



For anyone seeking to get in touch, I am available for any parent/carer wishing to pass on information via the below email address:

headteacher@glendalegaelic-pri.glasgow.sch.uk

You are, of course, welcome to contact us by phone but please bear in mind at certain times the office may not be staffed.

0141 429 3183

Medical information / Allergies

If, over the summer, there have been any changes to your child's medical and/or allergy information, guidance or medication could you please inform the school ASAP.

We cannot administer medicines without the correct paperwork completed by parents/carers.



