

YOUR GOAL

See It
Believe It
Achieve It

FEBRUARY

BELIEVE IN YOURSELF, ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS

What does this mean to you?

SHANARRI Indicator: ACHIEVING and RESPONSIBLE

RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOLS ARTICLES:

16: Your right to have privacy.

17: Your right to have honest information from newspapers and television that you can understand.

29: You have the right to become the best you can be.

IN BALMALLOCH, this month (FEBRUARY) the children will be learning about the power of belief in yourself to achieve your desired goals. We will celebrate positive achievements and children will continue to set goals/targets and review their progress towards these in their Pupil Progress Profile, Snapshot Jotters and through their experiences in the Four Contexts for Learning:

- Curriculum Area and Subjects
- Interdisciplinary Learning
- Ethos and Life of the School
- Opportunities for Personal Achievement

Character Education - School of Character

Values can be "Taught": The school provides educational experiences in and out of the classroom that equip students with the language, knowledge, understanding, skills and attributes that enable character development.

Values can be "Sought":

The school provides varied opportunities that generate the formation of personal habits and character commitments. These help students over time to seek, desire and freely pursue their character development.

Learning Experiences examples:

- Safer Internet Day - February - RRS Articles 16 and 17 - Use the internet to ...
 - research a career of interest
 - learn about ambitious individuals and how they achieved their goals
- Develop a deeper understanding of what it means to have a 'growth mindset' and how this can impact on your overall wellbeing
- Learn 'facts of the day' (e.g.) people/inventions that have shaped history - Thomas Edison - Motion Picture Camera/Lightbulb - 11th February/Charles Darwin - Evolution - 12th February/James Watson & Francis Crick - DNA - 28th February/The Flying Scotsman - 24th February/Anderson Shelter - 25th February.
- Interventions including Rainbow Reading, Number and Literacy Box, Read, Write Inc. and IDL - Numeracy and Literacy. A 'Support for Learning' and 'Nurture' programme also supports the attainment and wellbeing of our children.
- Committees/Pupil Voice identify targets linked to school and nursery improvement, our environment and the wider world, decide on ways to achieve these and work co-operatively to succeed in their role.
- DYW and Social Enterprise - World of Work Week (May) - Virtues in the Professions - Character Education/Development of positive links with local businesses and other organisations, including Emma Wardrope Photography, Jeannie's Weans, The Port Gallery, Rennie's Bakery, BAM Nuttal, Storehouse Church, Kilsyth Rotary Club, Craig-en-Goyne Care Home, Cottage Hospital, Anderson Parish Church, Kilsyth Food Bank, British Council - Partnership Schools Project, British Nutrition Foundation and Money Advice Scotland - Financial Education/Scottish Book Trust - Reading Schools

- Civic Week, an annual event encouraging children to participate in a range of activities, representing Balmalloch Primary School in the local community; Poetry, Art & Design, Football and Swimming. Certificates of Achievement at CIVIC Week Ceremony.
- Musical tuition - brass and pbuzz/chanter - and also further develop musical skills through the delivery of Kodaly. Participation recorded on school database/Certificate for Musical Achievement/'X' posts celebrating success - #believe in yourself, achieve your goals
- Competitions; Young Writers' Competition - Scottish Book Trust/Sumdog Competition/First Minister's Reading Challenge/NLC Reading Challenge/P7 end of year show - Certificates from organisations celebrating success/Digital Recognition of Achievements/Drama Certificates for Performance.
- Young Leaders Awards - Committees and awards for achievements throughout the curriculum (e.g.) Young Sports Person of the Year/Young Drama Performer of the Year/Young Artist of the Year/Young Musician of the Year
- St. Valentine's Day - 14th February - Primary 1 Pupils - Focus value LOVE
- Student Volunteering Week - February - Pupil Volunteers supporting achievement/values learning/contributing positively to the wider and local community life/DYW Committee support development of skills for work collecting information on skills learned in each class over the month and activities that supported the development of these. Digital Leaders create a powerpoint to share achievements with pupils, families and the community. Digital Leaders/STEM Leaders interview pupils about their future career choices and create a Podcast to share with a wider audience.
- World Thinking Day - Take action and speak out on issues we most care about/Connect with the Girl Guides/Boy Scouts to celebrate their work
- Fairtrade Fortnight - Fairtrade Committee organise events
- Health Week - Suitable date on QA Calendar - HWB & Sports' Committee in partnership with the Lead Teacher, DHT HWB Champion/Active Schools & Certificates of Achievement
- STEM Week - STEM Leaders organise school wide activities in partnership with the Lead Teacher and PT
- School Lunch Hall - Value of the Month media link on smartboard/projector screen - Enhance all learning experiences - Dining Hall Assistant/Digital Leaders
- Key Principles/Monthly Values displayed on windows around the school and nursery and updated by pupils/staff. These are a reminder both in school and in the playground of our focus for the month together with classes displaying the values they are responsible for.
- Key Principles/Value of the month and class values shared with parents/carers on the school and nursery website and through class & nursery newsletters.
- HWB Values Planners (P1 and P7)/Values Education activities on GLOW
- Inspiring Purpose Project - P7 - Character, Virtue and Strengths to define purpose, goals and vision - working towards a better world - Character Education.
- Captain, Vice-Captains and Prefects applications and presentations judged by Kilsyth Academy Captaincy Team

Children from each class will be chosen to share their 'Values Learning' at our 'Wider Achievements/Pupil Voice' assembly. School and Nursery Pupil Representatives (Captain/Vice-Captains/Prefects) will read out and present the awards. Our Pupil Voice groups will also share their work to support school improvement and how our values have underpinned this work.

At home, you can discuss individual goals, challenges and ideas about school, home and the community. There will also be an opportunity to help your child record information in their Learning Log over the term. Classes will share their values learning through 'X' (formally Twitter) @balmalloch over the month and we would also like you to share your child's values learning and wider achievements at home and in the community through 'X' - #BELIEVE IN YOURSELF, ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS and/or by email - Enquiries-at-Balmalloch@northlan.org.uk.