

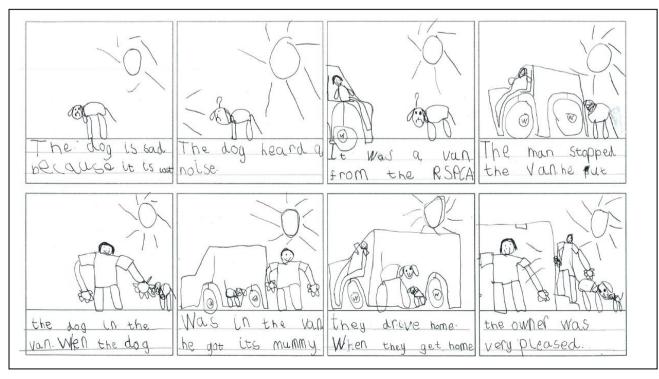
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P1 have written imaginative stories. Heidi wrote all about different cats and Ander wrote a story about a sad dog with a happy ending. His comic strip is 'old-fashioned' and therefore black and white. Very well done to P1!





Primary 7 and Primary 4 decided to research and create a newspaper report about The Titanic last term. They accessed different sources of information online to gather facts. They learned about the structure of report writing with key information given at the beginning and additional details further on. They included an eyecatching headline, a by-line that gives more information, then the lead paragraph that answers the 5Ws and H questions, followed by the body and tail to give more details then conclude. I think they did a super job!

THE SUNDAY NEWS

MONDAY 15TH APRIL 1912

Half Penny

HUNDREDS DEAD!

The Titanic, also known as the unsinkable ship, sank after hitting an ice-berg!

Luca Rotolo, World Reporter

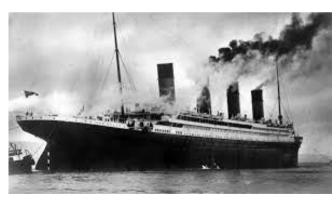
The giant cruise liner left Southampton on April 10th 1912. It stopped at France and Ireland on the way before heading to New York. On Sunday 13th April at 11.40pm the enormous ship hit an iceberg at 20.5 knots (23.6 mph) in the North Atlantic Ocean, off the coast of Newfoundland killing 1523 people.

The magnificent Titanic was made of steel and iron and was thought to be unsinkable because of its watertight compartments. Six of the 'watertight' compartments flooded when it could only have 4 flooded to stay afloat. Only 705 people survived. Tragically, there were not enough lifeboats for everyone!

Eileen and her son John, were first class passengers and survived the disaster. Here is what they said:

"It was terrifying. Everyone was panicking! We were lucky enough to make it onto a lifeboat and it was only half full!" Eileen, 40, from Scotland.

"I saw it sink! It rose up out of the water. People fell off. I thought it was a nightmare. Then the whole ship broke in two. My dad was still on board! He is gone now" John, 9 years old.



The Carpathia arrived at 4am to rescue the 705 survivors. Most of them were in lifeboats but miraculously 4 were still alive in the water.

This event is a massive disaster that the world will not forget. It is important that all ships have enough lifeboats for everyone to stop this tragedy happening again.

The Shetland Times

Monday 14th April 1912 Half a Penny

DISASTER! UNSINKABLE SINKS!

Freyja Parnaby, World Reporter

The Titanic sank yesterday. Hundreds of people drowned in the freezing water. This spectacular cruise liner was on its way to New York when it hit an iceberg and sank off the coast of Newfoundland.



Titanic setting off from dock.

At around 11.40pm last night the Titanic started to fill with water, only fully sinking at 2.20am. An iceberg caused this disastrous occasion. The ship was travelling at 22knots, therefore and sources suggest that by the time the 'lookout' spotted the iceberg, the ship could not turn fast enough. Sadly, this horrific event caused the death of 1523 people. The 269 metre long ship was considered unsinkable. Foolishly, there were only 20 lifeboats on board, enough to take 1,178 people despite there being 2240 traveling. Part of the reason behind this was so that first class passengers could have a better view, therefore, the life-boats that would have been there weren't there.

It had set off on the 10th of April 1912 in England Southampton. The ship picked up passengers from France and Ireland on the way to New York, USA. When the ship crashed, it was only 337miles away from the coast. It was on its maiden voyage. It sunk just four days into the weeklong trip.

This extravagant ship had 10 floors filled with 840 rooms and many luxurious rooms including restaurants, cafes and sports facilities, not to mention the swimming pool, the first ever on a ship! All was lost as the Titanic sunk into the icy waters. Traumatised people in the lifeboats could only watch in horror as family members and many more went down with the ship.

Thankfully, another ship on the way to New York called the Carpathia, responded to the distress call and managed to rescue 705 people. Here is what some of the lucky survivors had to say.

"I am outraged! How did they not see the iceberg coming? I lost my dear school friend in the... incident!" raged Ms Wright.

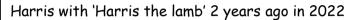
"It was so scary Mummy told me to put on a jumper and before I knew what was happening we were in a tiny half full life boat!" said nine-year-old Betty.

In conclusion, the Titanic was a tragic event that could have been avoided if not for the foolishness of the crew and builders. This leaves us thinking about what will become of the Titanic's Sisters? Let's hope safety comes first. Harris has been working hard with Hollie every day on spelling and writing skills. Each day they complete a new paragraph on different topics. We love this piece about some of the new lambs on the isle. Well done Harris!

23.04.2024

Harris the Ewe!

Two years ago when I lived in Aesterhoull, Hollie asked me to watch her sheep that was in the field across the road. She was a grey Shetland sheep and she was about to have a baby. After a few days she had a baby girl and she was black. Hollie named her Harris! Today she had two babies, one is a girl and one is a boy and they are both white. I am looking forward to seeing them.











The Voar Redd Up 2024, by Fair Isle Primary School

Fair Isle Voar Redd Up 2024







On Thursday, the children and staff did a tremendous job collecting bruck along the roadside from the school down to Utra and back up the west road. Although, to the eye, the litter wasn't too bad we still managed to collect 4 large bagfuls! A huge thanks goes to Eileen for preparing delicious home-bakes! Everyone enjoyed their pitstop at Houll! As always, the children were delighted to find some sweeties around Stackhoull Stores (thanks!). We plan to clean up Muckle Uri Geo this weekend. If anyone wishes to clean up other areas of the island, please help yourself to the green bags in the school porch and return bags of bruck to the school bike shed by Monday, before the next boat run.



ISLE NOTICES

Chapel this Sunday at 11am, all welcome to join. Dave B leading the service.

Apologies from Eileen to those who came to the SIC Ferries meeting this morning - I should have put the heating on in the Committee Room!! Felt colder than the Grutness pier!!

Da week dat's awa comes from a somewhat elusive contributor to the Times this week, but I think you'll agree it's a fine read!

Saturday

Lady Houll phones to ask if there's chance I'd do the 'week dat's away'. It's not easy to overcome all her positive vibes – I fail.

It's a bonnie day and two loads of washing are on the line with a light up-at wind. Hannah was due in da streen when flying conditions were useless but it does seem a missed chance today. Only things flying today are the flags at Houll for Eileen's party.

My lambing is underway now so only attend Houll for a condensed amount of time before spanging heem across the park with the very last of the daylight.

Sunday

A few lambs arrive in the early hours of the morning. FOG. FOG. FOG.

I HAVE SOME LARGE AMOUNT OF COFFEE and read the Guardian. There's not much good news about, and progressive UK & Europe are no more.

Anyway the Great man from Shirva messages that he's been at the Scottish Water works and it's all working – still leaking somewhere but ok for this day.

My hill rota is the Nort side of Ward Hill and Dronger. With the fog all I can say is "I think I was there". Canna mind what the menu or TV was in the evening.

Monday

Yeah it's foggy. Clears by 10:00am and the plane comes with Hannah. I've gotten lucky as she's very holiday-time-poor. Although I think she's professionally assessing me so I'm going to make the very most of it!

Homemade bread on the go for lunch, but it's risen too much while we're yarning.

lain and Andy are working like mad getting 'Fibre guys' porta cabins down to the pier for shipping. Totally brilliant as that zone of the isle is a mess.

I'm on plane duty in the afternoon with pilot training doing half a dozen or so landings. I've no idea but they looked pretty accomplished.

Tuesday

No boat daday with northerly winds, better chance tomorrow, and the pier should be empty as the barge and landing craft sail for Orkney.

David and myself pull oot the faulty borehole pump. This is a hugely technical endeavour involving rope, an old van with towbar, and oilskins. Anyway, the pump appears from the 50 metre depths, gets replaced and fired down the hole again. David has taken on a dark glow of manganese from the spray. I drove the van only because of my shoulder you understand.

Wednesday

Some lambs come. The boat is away with a fine dry day. There's plenty of cargo at this time of year so it's a lot of work for only three crew, so thanks to them.

Hannah paints my muckle workshop door with woodstain 'smoked walnut' - it's not a great colour but will hopefully extend the life of the door.

We head for the boat after lunch. Not so much cargo this time but hopefully folk got what they wanted/needed or had paid for.

I did plane duty in afternoon as others had plenty to do. That's been the worst about being incapacitated is giving already busy folk more to do. No passengers in, only Amazon boxes, some trades folk out.

It is Barry's birthday today. They're in the Netherlands so we have a quick yarn on the phone.

Thursday

Fine day again and a few more lambs coming.

Check out Utra sheep again at plane time and encourage Father to mak fur da airstrip with a modicum of haste.

We head for the hill rota, and buried a few krangs, but had an enjoyable walk with Hannah. There's a few light showers but Hannah chances a second coat on the shed doors.

Dr Shah is in for a visit so get a quick MOT. I'm not quite heading for scrap yet, just high mileage issues.

I head to Upper Stoneybrake to boost my credit score by cutting some timber for the ever industrious Andy and Amy. Then it's a busy evening at heem in the kitchen. I canna keep up wi Hannah.



Friday

What a DAY! There's no return to bed after the early dawn. Some lambs come at Utra. I have a wander in the graveyard, a fine tended resting place with the freshly cut grass and shorter shadows with the time of year.

I discover a 'lambing snack' on the kitchen table at heem (fresh shortbread and cheese straws). Wow it's like finding sweeties you'd forgotten you'd bought!! Plenty of coffee and the pen comes oot for this master piece.

There's SIC Transport folk in to update on the ferry project today. It's a tortuous process.

Hannah's getting up now so this must all end and be typed.

That's all folks.

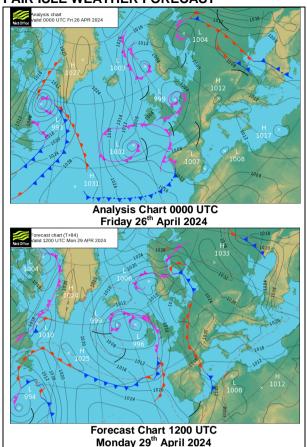
Ian at Kenaby

Caption Competition! Come with your best boat related lines for the photo (right).

Prize: A journey to Lerwick to an unknown pier.



FAIR ISLE WEATHER FORECAST



GENERAL SITUATION

Friday 26th April 2024

A large area of shallow low pressure covers the British Isles and much of NW Europe. The airflow within circling in a slow anticlockwise direction carrying within it rather cloudy and sometimes showery conditions. This situation changes little through the weekend and next week.

OUTLOOK FOR THE WEEKEND

Temperatures 7° or 8° Celsius by day, 4° or 5° overnight.

FRIDAY 26th: Sunny spells with chance of a light shower. Remaining cool but feeling less so with just a F2-3 E breeze, later tending SE. Cloudy, mostly dry overnight. **Sea State:** Mainly slight with a 1 metre N'ly wind swell.

SATURDAY 27th: A light shower possible otherwise dry and bright. A SE breeze freshening F4 backing E later. **Sea State:** East of Shetland slight with a 1 metre ESE'ly wind swell. To the west and through the Fair Isle Channel mostly moderate at 2 metre W'ly.

SUNDAY 28th: A bright, dry start but cloud thickening with rain arriving during the afternoon becoming heavier through the evening. F5 ESE winds. **Sea State:** Slight to moderate with a 1 to 2 metre E'ly wind swell.

FORECAST FOR NEXT WEEK

Temperatures 9° to 11° Celsius by day, around 6° overnight.

MONDAY 29th: Rain clears to leave a mostly dry day with some sunny spells. Fresh SSE winds. **Sea State:** Moderate with a 2 metre SW'ly wind swell.

TUESDAY 30th: Mainly dry and bright with sunny spells and fresh SSE winds. Chance of showery rain later. **Sea State:** Moderate with a 2 metre SE'ly wind swell.

WEDNESDAY 1st – SUNDAY 5th: Showers and light winds on Wednesday into Thursday. Scattered showers and a fresh N breeze Friday. Scattered showers and moderate NW winds for the weekend. **Sea State Wednesday**: Mainly moderate with a 2 metre SE'ly wind swell.

Beautiful day today in Fair Isle, but a frost last night, down to -2.5degrees on the grass! Dave Wheeler

