



Newsletter

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August – October 2022



This term we had super fun author's visit, you can read about it on the next page ...



Tom Percival

Author's visit



One day Tom Percival came to the school.
Tom writes books for kids.
And we did some pictures and it was fun.

By Grace Wood P4



Last week author came to our school. It was exciting.

The man was called Tom Percival he was funny and expert at drawing.

He made up a song and sang it to us it was a nice song and we sang as well and he read one of his books to us.

He was not nervous but he was kind, nice, joyful. At the end we got a book. We were happy, but sad he couldn't have more time with us, because he was good.

By Nicholas Tulloch P4



MYJHS Yell Show entry



At the start of the term we made things for the Yell show.

We made collage and models and we put together a vegetable box. We painted and we did shell art. And it was very fun. The vegetable box came 1st.

By Billy Kennedy P4

Mc Millan coffee morning

Nursery and Primary departments held Mc Millan coffee morning and together they raised £367. Thank you so much for your kind donation.



Sharing Upper Primary studious atmosphere



This term we have been learning about persuasive writing, data handling and numbers up to million.

We also created PowerPoints about countries in the world that speak French.



Eco- committee



We formed an eco-committee and are currently working on an action plan.

Chairpersons- Ava and Olivia
Vice- Chair- Macy
Secretaries- Hansen, Tilly
Treasurer- Riley
Media Officer- Marah and Leah



Bookbug - library



Nursery, lower primary as well as parents with toddlers, below nursery age, came together to a Bookbug session. It was a big success and they are hoping to hold it every term. Everyone enjoyed stories, rhymes, songs and parachute games.



Solene Giraudeau– Potel visit



Last week Solene came to our school to teach us about biodiversity. We learned about wildlife. We watched a presentation and then we went outside and we got leaves. Solene came all the way from France. I liked Solene because I got to learn about trees and leaves.

By Ava, P4

UNCRC

As part of our School Improvement Plan, we will be looking at ways we can promote the United Nations Children's Rights Charter throughout our school community. We have already set up a working group consisting of pupils, parents, staff and agencies which has met this term to discuss ideas and plans to take this initiative forward. Part of that involves applying for the Bronze Rights Respecting School Award, and looking to achieve our Silver award after that. Look out for lots of exciting opportunities to come in the near future!



Pupils enjoying beautiful weather , spending the afternoon on the local beach



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Sailing in Wider Achievement

Big thank you to Graham, Emily and Fraser who volunteered their time and skills, what a fantastic experience for the pupils and they have learnt something new!



S1 overnight trip

Our S1 class recently took part in an overnight trip to Lerwick. On the first day, the pupils got to experience the thrills and excitement of coasteering around Kirkabister, Nesting. They wore wetsuits, life jackets and helmets and got to explore around the coast, jumping into the sea at safe points along the journey. All pupils thoroughly enjoyed themselves, literally stepping outwith their comfort zone and conquering their fears!



The group then headed to their accommodation at Isleburgh to get showered and settled in. After a quick trip to the play park, we went for an evening meal at Fjara. Mr Hall and Ms Ward were very impressed with their table manners and polite conversation! Then it was on to Tesco, where the pupils had to learn how to buy food for supper, breakfast and lunch on a budget. They soon realised the difference in cost for branded products! Back at the hostel it was time to watch the Scotland football game and head to bed after a busy and tiring day!



The next morning pupils prepared their own breakfast and a packed lunch for later using the groceries they had bought at Tesco. They then headed to the Street in Lerwick to explore the shops and spend some of their hard earned pocket money. We then went for a swim at the Clickimin Leisure Centre where the pupils enjoyed racing down the flumes and around the rapids. The sun had come out and we went to eat our packed lunches on the steps below the museum. We had time for an impromptu trip to the museum where the pupils participated in a treasure hunt through the exhibits, hopefully learning a bit about the history of Shetland too!



The pupils seem to have thoroughly enjoyed their overnight trip, and have learned a lot about themselves, their group, and new skills that they can use in life. Mr Hall and Ms Ward would like to say a big thank you to the pupils for their impeccable behaviour and attitude throughout the two days, they were a credit to our school and the island of Yell!

Swan Trip 2022





The swan experience is back after Covid break. This time we went for longer excursions and we had so much fun!



The S4s were split into two groups, on the sea for two consecutive days. The first team sailed from Cullivoe to Mid Yell, while the second from Mid Yell to Burravoe. Then all, return to Mid Yell in minibus where the crew later joined S1 and 2 and shared their knowledge and skills in the introduction to sailing on small dinghies.

Developing Young Workforce

Shetland Museum & Archives

Enthusiasm

Sense Making

Creative

Supportive

Sharing

Helpful

Leading

Learning

Different Pathways

Curiosity

Communicating

CURATORS

EXHIBITION OFFICER

FACILITIES MANAGER

LIFELONG LEARNING CO-ORDINATOR

MARKETING OFFICER

ARCHIVISTS

museum Shetland archives

GHB Pharmacy Lerwick Hotel

Library Illeshaven Nursery ICT Services

Medicine

Library

Hospitality

Education

ICT Services

THE LERWICK HOTEL

Do you have the right skills to build your future as a Librarian?

Investigating Career Options in Shetland

OCEAN KINETICS
Engineers, Fabricators, Welders & Divers

Health & Safety
 Invoicing
 Logistics
 Investment
 Foundation Apprenticeships
 Graduate Apprenticeships
 Digital Skills
 CAD
 Spreadsheets
 Finance
 Clients
 Budgeting
 Invoicing
 Payroll
 Design
 Clients

Justice System – Police & Courts

Communication Skills
 Leadership
 Dealing with people
 Critical Thinking
 Being physically fit
 Speaking to Public
 Using Initiative
 Dealing with challenging situations
 Report Writing
 Following procedures
 Working Together
 Note taking
 Digital Skills
 Solicitor
 Barrister
 Procurator Fiscal
 Social Worker

Numeracy play day



The last week of September Maths was celebrated nationally. Here, in MYJHS, for that occasion, primary and nursery department came together to "play with maths". Pupils were encouraged to choose freely from variety of numeracy experiences. There was opportunity to practice skills that support multi-curricular knowledge as well as working with others. It was a big success and lovely to see older pupils supporting younger nursery children.



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We sell numbers 1-100.

£12 each for a monthly draw (so £1 per month).

The money is used to pay for the school fruit.

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100 Club 2021

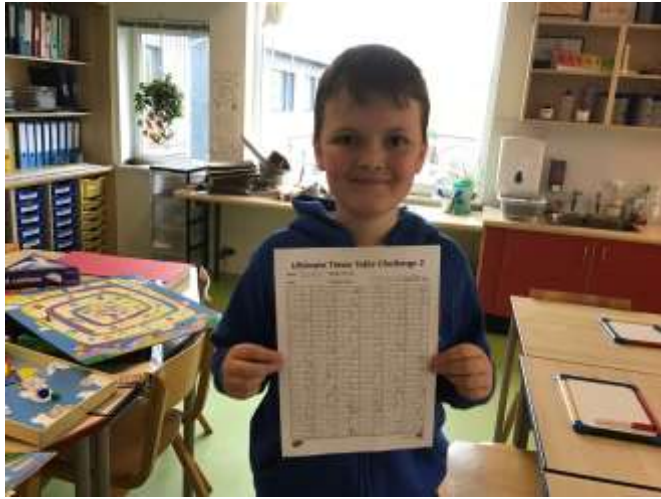
Join the Mid Yell
Junior High School
Parent Council 100
Club

Choose your number
between 1-100
Just £12 to join for
the chance to win cash
prizes.

Prizes every month
1st prize £20
2nd prize £10
3rd prize £5

For more information
contact:-
Julia Lytle in school or on
01535 745050

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Easy fundraiser

MYJHS is registered with Easy Fundraiser, this means over 4100 retailers will donate to our school for FREE every time you use **easyfundraising** to shop with them.

All you have to do is sign up using the link below!

Support your school

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/midyelljhs/?invite=zfmw43&referral-campaign=s2s>



+8,300 more

Good Lesson Journeys

Mid Yell Junior High School

In Mid Yell Junior High School we aim to provide a learning community that is **broad, aspirational and enjoyable** within a **safe and inclusive** environment.

I	nclusive	We welcome everyone into our school, valuing and treating everyone with respect.
S	upportive	We work together in a team to provide positive learning experiences whilst communicating openly, fully and honestly.
L	earning	We engage, challenge and stretch in a broad education that is inspiring, varied, exciting, challenging and problem solving skills.
A	spirational	We understand the learning journey and work hard to achieve our full potential - high expectations, aspirations, actions and reflections.
U	ntilfing	We support, nourish and encourage every member of our learning community to be confident in self, resilient and free thinkers.
D	eveloping	We use a growth mindset in the face of challenge; developing skills for work, learning, life which will secure our lifelong future.

Getting to Class

- Move around school responsibly
- On arriving at a classroom, enter appropriately and **get ready** for learning by taking out:

homework diary	pencil case	ipad
homework	folder	textbooks

Engage in Learning

- Actively **engage** in the learning:
- listen actively
 - ask questions
 - share answers
 - try your best
 - ask for help
 - be independent (use your iPad to support your learning)
 - act appropriately
 - support others
 - use a growth mindset - learn from mistakes and don't give up.

Lesson Plenary

- reflect on your success and next steps
- record your homework
- pack away all equipment and tidy your area

Home Learning

- Complete your homework task to best of your abilities.
- Tick off completed homework.
- Look over your work and revise for tests.
- Charge your iPad.

Sharing Behaviour Expectations

Mid Yell Junior High School (revised 2022)

In Mid Yell Junior High School we believe in **positive behaviour management** based on **shared expectations**.

Across our school pupils are expected to:

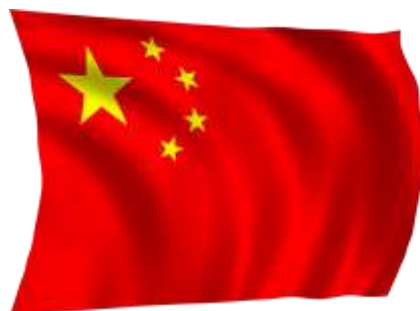
- use **good manners** at all times - in particular, "please..." and "thank you..."
- take your bags** to **every lesson**, or store in social area or in the corner of the main hall during **lunch** and **break times**.
- ensure they have the appropriate tools required for participating in lessons (ie pencil/pen, rubber, ruler, calculator, etc. (some items are available for pupils to purchase from the school office.)
- use **appropriate language** at all times.
- enter classrooms, setting: homework diary, homework, pencil case and ipad on desk, and begin working appropriately with or without a member of staff.
- consume **only water** during lessons and **refill** your bottle during break/lunch time.
- remove hats, hoods, gloves and jackets when in the classroom.
- not** to eat **chewing gum** at **any time** in school.
- mobile phones** should be **turned off** during **class time**.
- record and complete **homework** as instructed.
- not to use headphones**, etc to listen to music in class **unless** permission is given by a member of staff for a specific purpose.
- you **bring** their **charged iPad** to school and **report damage** immediately.
- look after our school** - keep classrooms tidy, return laptops and plug in laptops to appropriate cabinet and ensure any litter is disposed of properly.
- only access the leisure centre **if they are involved** in an activity.
- keep social areas **tidy** and **walkways** clear from trip hazards.
- use the Sign In/Out Book if you come or go during the course of the school day.

JRSO

The new JRSO's for this academic year are the primary 6's: Lewis, Bobby and Jake.



Now all the primary pupils got reflectors to be seen better in the dark.



Mandarin

We have a new Mandarin teacher.
Welcome Xinyi Hu!

S 1 & S 2 P E

This term S1 have been focussing on Handball and Basketball activities. S2 have focussed on Rugby and Basketball. This culminated in an S1 & S2 Basketball tournament held on the last week of term. All pupils played extremely well, showcasing their skills they had been practising. In the end, the red team came out the overall winners. There was also time for an S1 vs S2 Basketball game, which turned out to be an exciting contest! S2 raced into an early lead, but S1 managed to claw it back to 6-6. With only 2 minutes remaining and some further substitutions, S2 managed to score two baskets to win the game 10-6 (2 points are awarded for a basket). Congratulations to all pupils for their effort, motivation and enthusiasm.



Shoebox Appeal

We are hoping once again to send away filled shoeboxes for Christmas to Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Kosovo, Moldova, Romania, Serbia and Ukraine.

We would like to ask for your support with this by sending in filled shoeboxes by Monday 7th November. Your child will have received a leaflet that highlights the suggested items that could be included.

Thank you so much for your support!



S1-3 At Climate Week



On Tuesday 27 September the S1-3 classes headed to Lerwick to attend Shetland's Climate Week organised by the Council's Climate Change Strategy Team. The day began with pupils having the opportunity to visit stalls and chat with various Shetland Companies about their approaches to Climate change and learn more about possible future opportunities in the "Green" sector. Shetland Careers Officers and UHI representatives were also on hand to offer careers advice and ideas.

Pupils learned about Shetland's Net Zero Route Map and how to achieve clean, green energy for Shetland from our valuable natural resources. The transition period was discussed and how existing infrastructure can and will be used in the future. Also some of the skills required of a new, young workforce were highlighted. The pupils were then invited to take part in various activities. These included building their own model wind turbine and base, observing how different solvents helped clean oil from birds feathers, building a model tide turbines, programming robots, using laser technology and a visit aboard an all-electric bus. Whalsay and Yell's Pledge Trees were also on display.

Sail powered cars: I enjoyed making the cars because it was a bit of a challenge to get the sail attached and make the chassis so that it was sturdy. I also enjoyed doing the different activities and answering the questions from the employers - Hannah

Me, Imogen and Rosie all went to SOTEAG. STOTEAG is all about birds in oil spill. We all got a feather and 3 glasses. 1 had just water, 1 had oil and water and the third was soap. First you looked at the feather with nothing on it. Then we dipped it in water then looking at the difference. Then we dipped in oil then see what the difference was in between the water and oil. Then using the soap and water, you got a wooden toothbrush to try clean the feather. You got a magnifying glass to look at the feather up close -Lisa

Me, Lee, Brandon and Mac did the civil engineering laser level workshop. We had a stand with a spinning laser on top and a stand with a box that beeped when it was at the same level to check the distance between levels. - Aaron

Tidal turbine- So the tidal turbine activity was you must build your own tidal turbine that worked and you 5 minutes to do it. Group A (Daniel, Kaylan, Aaron (Whalsay) and Charlie Charlie Charlie) built a Turbine that had four cups and "Worked" and group B (Hunter, (Robbie, Andy and Owen Whalsay) built a more efficient version with 3 cups than Group A with 4. - Kaylan



In the all- electric bus



Yellsa



Whalsay and Yell pupils were combined and worked in groups for these events. The winning team, who produced most voltage from their model wind turbine, called themselves "Yellsa" and managed to produce an impressive 5.3volts.

The pupils all said they had found the day interesting and informative and had really enjoyed the activities, especially working with pupils from another school. They would like to thank the Climate Change team and Emma Chittick.

Corgis
Soft, playful
Playing, sparkling, dazzling,
Crown, dress, throne, handbag,
Saying, drawing, helping,
Happy, helpful,
Corgis.

By Anna, P3

The Queen's Poem.

Corgi,
Furry, smiley,
Walking, sparkling, ruling,
Tea, cups, handbag, jubilee,
Marrying, waving, driving,
Helpful, loveable,
Garden- party.

By Nicholas Tulloch, P4

Lower Primary's diamond poems to commemorate the life of Queen Elizabeth

The Queen

Garden,
Fluffy, helpful,
Ruling, riding, flying,
Jubilee, party, Anne, Charles
Enjoying, ruling, sparkling,
Grateful, nice,
Queen

By Billy, P4

Rainbow Queen

Elizabeth,
Nice, thoughtful,
Waving, riding, smiling,
Family, guards, people, friends,
Walking, speaking, holding,
Kind, grateful,
Queen.

By Eilidh, P3

Queen

Kind,
Beautiful, helpful,
Sparkling, shining, ruling,
Crown, throne, dress, carriage
Skating, guarding, gardening
Royal, posh
Throne.

By Ava, P4

M i d Y e l l S c h o o l S h o p p i n g N i g h t

Come along, browse and buy your Christmas Presents from the great variety of tables.

Bodyshop, Crochet Shetland, Enjo, Glansin Glass, Sandra Williamson Textiles, Janet Nisbet Paintings Kjelde Crafts, Mella Handmade Soaps, North Isles Designs, Scentcy, Sew Shetland, Temple Spa, Usbourne Books, Yala plus other local crafts and knitting.

17th November 2022
7-9pm



Da Hairst Ree

Da wind rase up yampi ee moarneen in
hairst,
Says he: O da saesons I laek dis een best.
Dan slippin his cable, took aff laek a shot,
An skelpit da loch wi da tail o his cot.

Up trowe da burn he reeled at da mill,
Skooderin da hedder ta da tap o da hill,
Flanned doon ower da steep in a halligit
möd,
Traain da necks o da flooers as he göd.

Makkin right for da steedins wi a whoop an a
cry,
He spret aff da hennie- hoose röf gyaan by,
Keekin da coles a hay oot o his rod,
An swöppin da brigstanes o kettle an brod.

Jimpin da yard, still enjoyin himsel,
He strippit da willows an blaatered da kael,
Led a wife at da waal' pun da keel o her
back,
Dan rippit twa pones fae da tap o da stack.

He guldered an bröld as he fowt idda voe.
Treshed da sea tae a froad, bit still widna
lat go,
Cöst da spöm idda air laek fine cairdit oo,
An fired tang in gret skurtfoos up ower da
banks broo.

Machtless at last, ootgeen an ootwoarn,
He reffled his taes idda brucks o da coarn,
Dan layin him doon idda fast faddin light,
Atween twa peerie pechins, he harkit: "Göd-
night."

By Rhoda Bulter

We wish all the best to Anne-Karine Strachan and Chelsea Thomson, who are going on a maternity leave. Fraser Hall will also be on paternity leave, we are sure he will have a very busy and exciting holiday, good luck.

End of Term

School breaks up on
**Friday, the
7th of October**

We will see you back here on
**Wednesday, the
26th of October**

**Wishing you
warmth and
joy snuggled
comfortably in
your favourite
armchair.**