



NEWSLETTER

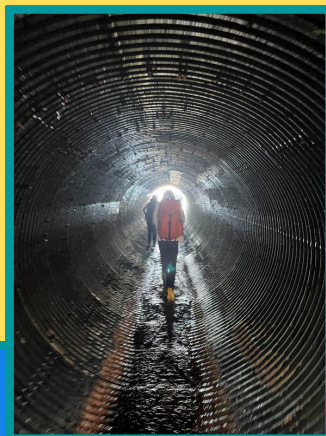
August - October 2024

**PLEASE TAKE A LOOK AT
OUR NEW WEBSITE AND
FACEBOOK PAGE. THIS
WILL KEEP YOU UP TO
DATE WITH THE MOST
RECENT GOINGS ON IN
THE SCHOOL.**

OUTDOOR EDUCATION P5/P6 TRIP



OUTDOOR EDUCATION P7 TRIP



S3 GEOGRAPHY

**THE S3 GEOGRAPHY CLASS
WENT ON A RIVERS FIELD
TRIP TO THE REAFIRTH
BURN. THEY WORKED IN
GROUPS TO FIND OUT THE
DEPTH OF THE RIVER AT
TWO DIFFERENT
MEANDERS, THE
ANGULARITY OF THE
ROCKS AND THE SPEED
THE RIVER WAS FLOWING
AT.**



BIOBUS VISIT



STAFF FROM THE MOREDUN INSTITUTE PROVIDE ENGAGING LESSONS ON VARIOUS SHEEP DISEASES, SUCH AS LIVER FLUKE AND SCAB. THEY ALSO DEMONSTRATED HOW TO TEST FOR THESE DISEASES, USE DNA TESTING TECHNIQUES, AND ASSESS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF MEDICINES IN TREATING THEM. THE VISIT AIMED TO EDUCATE SCHOOL PUPILS ABOUT THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN ANIMAL, TO PROMOTE HIGHER LIVESTOCK STANDARDS AND IMPORTANCE OF STEM SUBJECTS AND CAREERS. THANKS TO DYW SHETLAND FOR ORGANISING THIS EVENT.



26TH OF SEPTEMBER WAS “EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES”

**EUROPEAN DAY OF
LANGUAGES!**

IT HAS BEEN BRILLIANT TO SEE THE SKILLS AND INTEREST OUR STAFF HAVE FOR LANGUAGES AND LEARN OF THEIR CONNECTIONS TO OTHER COUNTRIES AND PEOPLE. FOR THE PURPOSE OF A QUIZ, THEY RECORDED THEMSELVES SPEAKING A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN THEIR OWN. THEY SPOKE POLISH, GERMAN, SPANISH, NAVAJO, RUSSIAN, FINNISH, NORWEGIAN, ARABIC, CROATIAN, FRENCH, DUTCH, ITALIAN, MANDARIN, TURKISH AND WELSH. AVA NICOL IN S2 FINISHED AS THE OVERALL WINNER, IDENTIFYING THE MOST SPEAKERS AND LANGUAGES. BRAVO AVA ! YOUR LISTENING SKILLS ARE TOP ! WELL DONE TO ALL THE PUPILS WHO TOOK PART. ADAM LESLIE IN S3 WAS THE CLOSEST AT GUESSING THE NUMBER OF LANGUAGES IN THE WORLD : 7,139 (ACCORDING TO THE “ETHNOLOGUE” GUIDE).



**S4 &
MANAGEMENT
TEAM
LUNCH**

ON MONDAY 7TH OUR SS4 CLASS HAD LUNCH WITH OUR MANAGEMENT TEAM. THIS GAVE THEM THE CHANCE TO SHARE THEIR THOUGHTS ON THE TERM AND BEGIN DISCUSSIONS ON WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE/DO NEXT TERM. – INCLUDING THE SCHOOL DANCE!



S1 OVERNIGHT TRIP



THIS WEEK OUR S1 CLASS WENT ON THEIR OVERNIGHT SCHOOL TRIP THAT THEY HAVE ORGANISED THIS TERM. THIS GAVE THE CLASS SOME INDEPENDENCE AND ALLOWED THEM TO WORK TOGETHER AS A TEAM TO PLAN THE TRIP.

THE CLASS DID LOTS OF ACTIVITIES INCLUDING SWIMMING, DINNER AT MAGNO'S, PLAYING IN THE PLAYPARK AND GOING ON THE CLIMBING WALL. THIS ALLOWED THE CLASS TO SPEND MORE TIME GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER, SUPPORTING EACH OTHER AND HAVE GOOD FUN TOGETHER! WE ALSO CELEBRATED THORFINN WHO COMPLETED HIS DEEP END TEST! WELL DONE THORFINN!



READ DIVERSE



DURING OUR WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY WE CELEBRATED DAISY MALLETT (S2) FOR EARNING HER READ DIVERSE CERTIFICATE. DAISY HAS READ 4 DIVERSE BOOKS TO RECEIVE HER CERTIFICATE AND BADGE. WELL DONE DAISY!

SHOEBOX APPEAL

THIS YEAR WE WILL BE SUPPORTING THE BLYTHSWOOD CARE SHOEBOX APPEAL. WE WOULD APPRECIATE DONATIONS OF PREFILLED BOXES INTO SCHOOL, AS WELL AS ANY ITEMS FROM THE CHECKLIST BELOW. PUPILS WILL THEN USE THESE ITEMS TO MAKE UP MORE BOXES TO SEND AWAY.

6 steps to bring HOPE

1 Find an average-sized shoebox.
Decide to fill it for a child, teenager, man or woman.



2 Wrap your box and lid separately so that the lid can be removed without tearing the paper.



3 Pack the items in the box, removing all the unnecessary plastic and cardboard packaging. Please choose items that will last rather than those with a short life and that can't be recycled.



4 Check the checklist, ticking all the items you have included. Secure the checklist to the **OUTSIDE** of the box lid using sticky tape.

5 Donate to help us transport your box, either online or by detaching the donation envelope and placing the filled and completed envelope on top of the items inside your box. Please secure the lid with rubber bands (custom regulations require Blythswood Care to check the contents of your box).



6 Deliver your box to your local collection point. For Christmas delivery your shoebox should be at your collection point (church, school etc) during the last week of October/first week November.

Local Collection point:

CHECKLIST

Please ☒ items included and firmly secure this list on your shoebox lid. Include the essential items highlighted in the red box. **IMPORTANT: PLEASE ONLY INCLUDE NEW ITEMS.**

☐ TOOTHBRUSH & TOOTHPASTE

☐ SOAP

☐ UNDERWEAR

☐ SOCKS/TIGHTS

☐ TOY*/GIFT

*small toy for children such as cars, dolls, balls etc. Please only include new shop-bought toys.

☐ SCARF, HAT, GLOVES

☐ SWEETS

No chocolate, split multipacks or any other food items. No loose sweets, lollies or undated bags of sweets. Best before date no earlier than 31st March next year.

Do not include: used or damaged items; war related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; hand-made or knitted stuffed toys; chocolate or any food other than sweets. Chocolate eclairs and chocolate limes are not allowed; books that are mainly words should not be included.

TOILETRIES (No talcum powder)

- ☐ Shampoo or shower gel
- ☐ Face cloth/moist wipes
- ☐ Deodorant
- ☐ Moisturising cream
- ☐ Comb/brush
- ☐ Sanitary products
- ☐ Shaving foam/razors

MISCELLANEOUS

- ☐ New make-up
- ☐ Sewing equipment
- ☐ Household candles
- ☐ Screwdrivers/pliers
- ☐ Kitchen utensils

STATIONERY

- ☐ Pens/pencils/sharpener
- ☐ Notepads/colouring books
- ☐ Rulers/rubbers

CLOTHES and other items

- ☐
- ☐
- ☐
- ☐

Please tick the box next to who you have packed your shoebox for

- ☐ MAN
- ☐ BOY (Teen)
- ☐ BOY (8-12) Age
- ☐ BOY (3-7) Age
- ☐ ELDERLY WOMAN
- ☐ WOMAN
- ☐ GIRL (Teen)
- ☐ GIRL (8-12) Age
- ☐ GIRL (3-7) Age

Tear along the perforation to detach this panel and secure to the outside of your shoebox

ANCHOR IS HERE FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY, WHENEVER YOU NEED IT.

ALL FAMILIES CAN FIND THEMSELVES FIGHTING TO STAY

AFLOAT; WHETHER PULLED UNDER BY RISING LIVING COSTS, HEALTH CONCERNS OR ISOLATION. ANCHOR WILL HELP YOU BACK ONTO DRY LAND.

WHAT DOES ANCHOR FOR FAMILIES DO?

THE ANCHOR TEAM IS ALWAYS READY TO LISTEN TO WHATEVER PRESSURES YOUR FAMILY ARE UNDER.

WORKING WITH YOU, WE WILL HELP YOU GET ALL THE SUPPORT YOU NEED TO THRIVE, AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO AS LONG AS YOU NEED IT.

THIS MIGHT BE MAKING SURE YOUR FAMILY IS RECEIVING ALL THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND BENEFITS YOU ARE ENTITLED TO; SPEAKING WITH HOUSING OR OTHER SERVICES ON YOUR BEHALF; HELPING YOU COMMUNICATE WITH THE SCHOOL OR TALKING THROUGH RELATIONSHIP ISSUES.

WE PROVIDE PRACTICAL HELP, LIKE FOOD PARCELS AND CLOTHING, AS WELL AS A FRIENDLY EAR, READY TO LISTEN AND CHAT ABOUT ANYTHING THAT IS BOTHERING YOU.

ANCHOR FOR FAMILIES CAN BE CONTACTED VIA THE SHETLAND ISLANDS COUNCIL WEBPAGE/

ANCHOR FOR FAMILIES

NURSERY COFFEE AFTERNOON

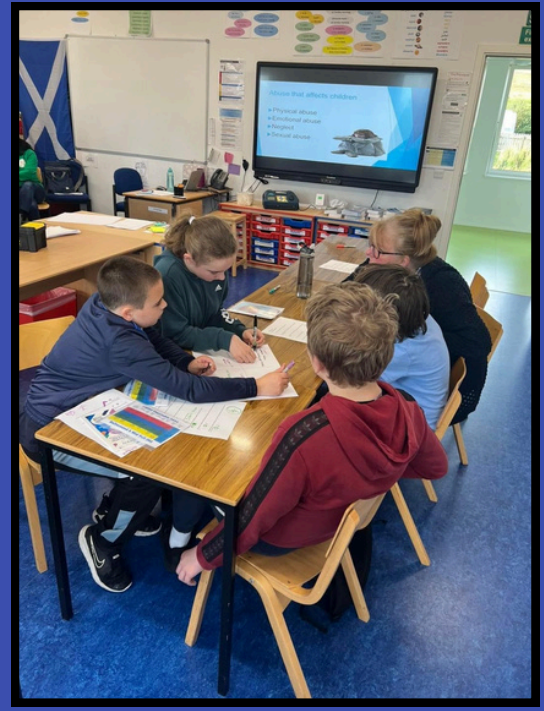
THE NURSERY RAISED NEARLY £50 FOR THEIR OUTDOOR AREA.

THE BAIRNS BAKED PEERIE BUNS, BANANA LOAF AND SCONES. THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CAME ALONG!



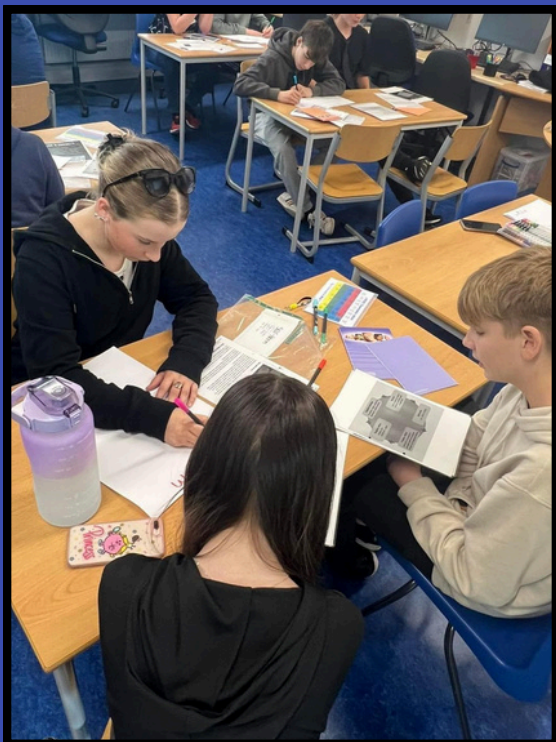


**VIRTUALLY
SAFE,
VIRTUALLY
SOUND**



ON THURSDAY 3RD OF OCTOBER OUR SECONDARY DEPARTMENT ALONG WITH PUPILS FROM BALTASOUND TOOK PART IN A VIRTUALLY SAFE, VIRTUALLY SOUND EVENT.

THIS INVOLVED 4 DIFFERENT WORKSHOPS RUN BY OUR PARTNERS FROM HEALTHY SHETLAND, SHETLAND PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE AND OPEN. PUPILS LEARNT ABOUT THE DANGERS OF SMOKING AND VAPING, ONLINE SAFETY AND CHILD EXPLOITATION, CHILDREN'S RIGHTS UNDER THE UNCRC AND MENTAL HEALTH.



**THANK YOU TO
EVERYONE
INVOLVED, OUR
YOUNG PEOPLE
HAD AN
EXCELLENT
DAY!**





MYJHS

CHRISTMAS

SHOPPING NIGHT

THURSDAY 28TH NOVEMBER
1900

TEA AND HOMEBAKES!

PLEASE CONTACT JACKIE GUTHRIE TO BOOK
A TABLE!

