



# NEWSLETTER

## January - April 2025

**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.**

### BRIDGE BUILDING COMPETITION

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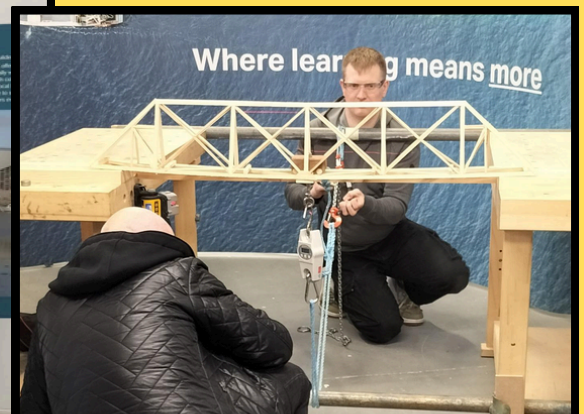
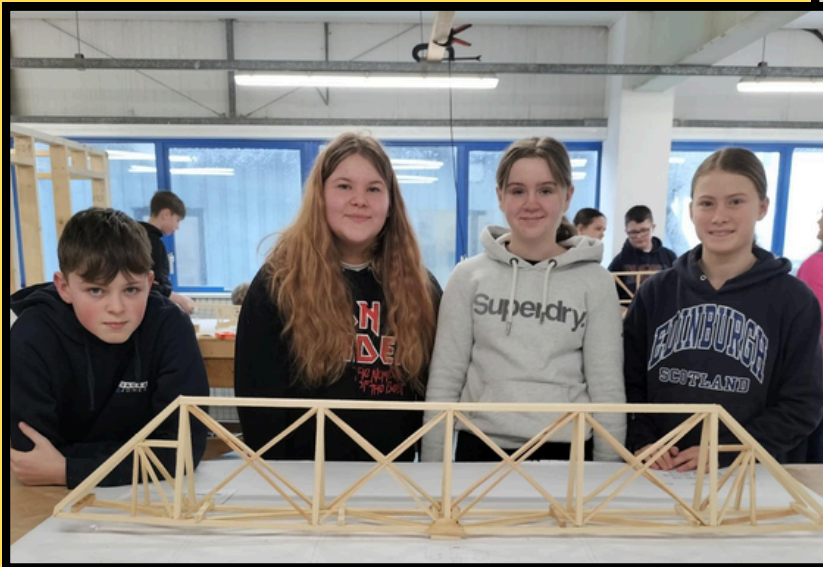
**HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO MARAH, EVIE, DAISY AND RILEY FROM OUR S2 CLASS WHO WERE THE OVERALL WINNERS OF THE BRIDGE BUILDING COMPETITION HOSTED JOINTLY BY CITB AND SHETLAND CONSTRUCTION TRAINING GROUP. WELL DONE!**

**UNCRG**

**ARTICLE #29 - CHILDREN HAVE A RIGHT TO EDUCATION WHICH DEVELOPS THEIR SKILLS - BRIDGE BUILDING ENCOURAGED MANY SKILLS INCLUDING TEAM WORKING, PROBLEM SOLVING AND CREATIVITY.**

**MYJHS VALUES**

**LEARNING - INCLUSIVE - DEVELOPING**





## **CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES (LAST TERM)**

**ON THURSDAY 12 DECEMBER, WE HOSTED OUR CHRISTMAS SHOW,  
AND WHAT A SUCCESS IT WAS!**

**A BIG WELL DONE TO EVERYONE INVOLVED:**

**PRIMARY DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR PERFORMANCE OF THE  
NATIVITY, "HOLY JOE!"**

**S1 CLASS FOR THEIR PERFORMANCE OF "STEP INTO CHRISTMAS."**

**S2 CLASS THEIR PERFORMANCE OF "MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE."**

**WHOLE SCHOOL PERFORMANCE OF "LET'S SPREAD THE WORD."**

**SINGING, PLAYING, AND ACTING WERE ABSOLUTELY BRILLIANT.**

**A BIG THANK YOU GOES TO ALL THE HELPERS AND SUPPORTERS  
WHO MADE THE SHOW POSSIBLE.**



**ON TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER THE NURSERY HOSTED  
A MULLED WINE AND MINCE PIE AFTERNOON, IT WAS  
WONDERFUL TO SEE SO MANY PARENTS AND  
RELATIVES JOIN US IN THE NURSERY DEPARTMENT  
TO CELEBRATE THE FESTIVE SEASON. MULLED WINE,  
MULLED APPLE JUICE, SHORTBREAD, AND MINCE PIES  
WERE ENJOYED IN A CHEERFUL AND FESTIVE  
ATMOSPHERE.**



**ON TUESDAY 10 DECEMBER, OUR S3 CLASS PROUDLY  
HOSTED THE ANNUAL SENIOR CITIZEN EVENT.  
GUESTS ENJOYED A DELIGHTFUL AFTERNOON OF  
PERFORMANCES, INCLUDING FIDDLERS, CLARINET  
PIECES, AND FESTIVE SONGS SUCH AS STEP OUT TO  
CHRISTMAS BY OUR S1 CLASS, MERRY CHRISTMAS  
EVERYONE BY S2 PUPILS, AND A SNEAK PEEK OF  
NUMBERS FROM OUR UPCOMING SCHOOL SHOW. THE  
EVENT CONCLUDED WITH A CHRISTMAS FEAST.**

**IT WAS A BUSTLING DAY FOR OUR CANTEEN STAFF,  
WHO WORKED ALONGSIDE S4 PRACTICAL COOKERY  
PUPILS TO PREPARE AND SERVE MEALS FOR 70  
GUESTS. MEANWHILE, S3 PUPILS (WITH  
HELP FROM A FEW S2S) SET TABLES,  
SERVED FOOD, ORGANISED AND RAN THE  
RAFFLE, AND ENSURED EVERYTHING WAS  
TIDIED UP AFTERWARDS.**

**A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO  
ATTENDED, TO OUR HARDWORKING  
CANTEEN STAFF, AND TO MID YELL HALL  
FOR GENEROUSLY PROVIDING TABLES AND  
CROCKERY.**





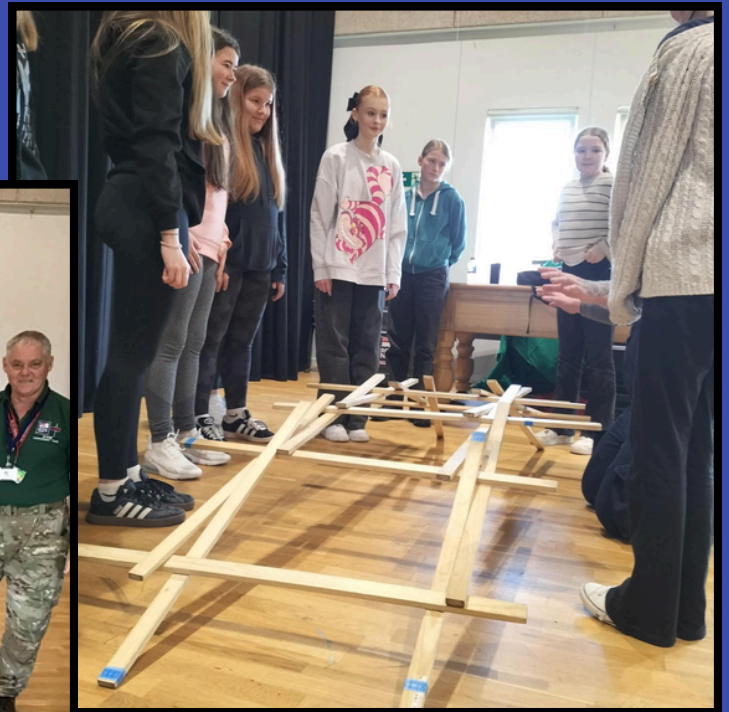
## PJP ARCHITECTS VISIT.

IN THE THIRD WEEK OF JANUARY, IAN IRVIN OF PJP ARCHITECTS PAID A VISIT TO THE SCHOOL TO GIVE A CAREERS TALK TO THE TECHNICAL PUPILS IN S3 AND S4 FROM BOTH MYJHS AND BJHS. THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY AN ACTIVITY GIVEN TO THE PUPILS BY IAN. IT WAS A VERY ACTIVE AFTERNOON WITH AN INSIGHT INTO WHAT IS INVOLVED IN DESIGNING AND BUILDING A HOUSE AS WELL AS AN OVERVIEW OF THE KIND OF PATH TO FOLLOW IF YOU WANT TO BE AN ARCHITECT. PUPILS USED DRAWING EQUIPMENT TO REDESIGN THE KITCHEN THAT WAS ALREADY DRAWN OUT FOR A HOUSE DESIGNED BY IAN. CREATIVE IDEAS FLOWED WITH SOME UNUSUAL SUGGESTIONS FOR A KITCHEN INTERIOR! AFTERWARDS SOME OF THE PUPILS EXPLAINED THEIR DESIGN TO THE REST OF THE GROUP, SIMILAR TO WHAT STUDENTS DO IN DESIGN SCHOOL. IT WAS AN INFORMATIVE SESSION WITH SOME FUN ADDED THAT THE PUPILS CLEARLY ENJOYED.





# ROYAL NAVY VISIT



**LAST WEEK THE ROYAL NAVY VISITED THE SCHOOL AND HAD A SESSION WITH THE UPPER PRIMARY, S1, S2 AND S3 PUPILS.**

**THE PUPILS TOOK PART IN A RANGE OF ACTIVITIES INCLUDING BUILDING A BRIDGE, PROGRAMMING SMALL ROBOT DEVICES AND LISTENING TO INFORMATION ABOUT JOBS IN THE NAVY. THE PUPILS ENJOYED THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK QUESTIONS AND WORK TOGETHER ON DIFFERENT TASKS.**

**ARTICLE #17 – CHILDREN HAVE A RIGHT TO ACCESS INFORMATION THAT IS IMPORTANT FOR THEIR DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING CAREER POSSIBILITIES.**

**MYJHS VALUES  
ASPIRATIONAL – LEARNING**





# Food bank

In December for our rights respecting school, we did a food bank for Article 27 which gives you the right to food, clothing and a safe home.

A message was sent out on the schools Facebook page for food donations. The bag that had the most was bag 7 with biscuits in it.

In the end, we filled 25 bags! The bags went to the Shetland food bank in Lerwick.

Thank you everyone who gave food to the food bank.

Thank you from Mid Yell Junior high school

## COMIC RELIEF

**THANK YOU SO MUCH  
TO EVERYBODY WHO  
SUPPORTED OUR  
COFFEE MORNING –  
WE HAVE RAISED A  
FANTASTIC £280  
FOR COMIC RELIEF!  
HUGE THANKS TO  
EVERYBODY WHO  
BAKED FOR THE  
OCCASION!**





# **JANUARY ASSEMBLY**

## **PRIMARY PUPIL COUNCIL**

**OUR PRIMARY PUPIL COUNCIL UPDATED US ON THE FANTASTIC WORK THEY HAVE BEEN DOING TO IMPROVE OUR PLAYGROUND, LEARNING, AND EXPERIENCES. THEY HAVE:**

- BOUGHT A CHUTE FOR THE PLAYGROUND;**
- SUBMITTED A FUNDING REQUEST TO COOKE AQUACULTURE TO HELP PURCHASE NEW IPADS FOR PRIMARY CLASSROOMS AND SUPPORT OUR LOCH INCH TRIP;**
- ORGANISED A BEETLE DRIVE FUNDRAISING EVENT FOR OUR COMMUNITY, SCHEDULED FOR 12 MARCH 2025.**

## **SECONDARY PUPIL COUNCIL**

**OUR SECONDARY PUPIL COUNCIL SHARED THEIR EFFORTS TO ENHANCE OUR SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT. THEY BOUGHT: NETBALL STAND, POOL CUES, DARTS, FOOTBALLS AND OUTDOOR STORAGE FOR PLAY EQUIPMENT.**

**ADDITIONALLY, THEY HAVE WRITTEN A LETTER TO PARENTS AND CARERS HIGHLIGHTING CONCERNS ABOUT DOG FOULING AND DAMAGE TO PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT. THEY ALSO ANNOUNCED A COMPETITION TO DESIGN A PUPIL COUNCIL LOGO, TO REPRESENT THE VOICE OF OUR PUPILS.**



## **UNCRC RIGHTS**

**OUR RIGHTS AMBASSADORS SHARED THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF TWO KEY UNCRC ARTICLES: ARTICLE 19 – PROTECTION FROM VIOLENCE, ABUSE, AND NEGLECT.**

**ARTICLE 35 – THE RIGHT NOT TO BE KIDNAPPED, SOLD, OR TRAFFICKED.**

**MR LAWSON THEN DISCUSSED THESE RIGHTS IN CONNECTION WITH HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY (MONDAY 27 JANUARY 2025), FOCUSING ON ANNE FRANK, WHO WAS PERSECUTED FOR HER RELIGION AND HAD HER RIGHTS DENIED.**



## **ECO COMMITTEE**

**OUR ECO COMMITTEE SHARED THEIR ONGOING WORK TO HELP PROTECT THE PLANET BY REDUCING WASTE. THEY ENCOURAGED EVERYONE TO:**

**USE THE RECYCLING BINS CORRECTLY.  
TURN OFF LIGHTS WHEN LEAVING CLASSROOMS.**



**READING SCHOOLS  
WE CELEBRATED MISS  
NICHOLSON FOR  
SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING  
THE READING DIVERSE  
CHALLENGE.  
TAMMIE ENCOURAGED  
EVERYONE TO GET INVOLVED  
AND REMINDED PUPILS TO  
KEEP THEIR BOOKMARKS  
UPDATED.**





**A BIG THANK YOU TO JARL ALICE JAMIESON AND HER SQUAD FOR VISITING THE SCHOOL. WE HOPE YOU HAD AN EXCELLENT WEEKEND!**

**WELL DONE TO OUR LOWER PRIMARY, UPPER PRIMARY AND SI PUPILS WHO SHARED THEIR BRILLIANT ACTS. THREE CHEERS FOR UP HELLY AA!!**

**CULLIVOE UP  
HELLY AA**





# **WORLD BOOK DAY**

**TODAY WE CELEBRATED WORLD BOOK DAY. PUPILS FROM OUR READING COMMITTEE ORGANISED FOR THE SCHOOL BELL TO RING SEVERAL TIMES DURING THE DAY, SIGNALLING FOR ALL PUPILS AND STAFF TO STOP WHAT THEY WERE DOING AND READ.**

**PUPILS ALSO TOOK PART IN THE BOOK CHARACTER QUIZ ORGANISED BY TAMMIE. WE HAD A GREAT DAY ENJOYING LOTS OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF READING.**

**UNCRC**

**ARTICLE #17 – CHILDREN HAVE A RIGHT TO ACCESS A VARIETY OF INFORMATION, INCLUDING BOOKS AND LITERATURE.**

**ARTICLE #29 – EDUCATION SHOULD DEVELOP CHILDREN'S LOVE FOR LEARNING, INCLUDING LITERACY AND APPRECIATION OF BOOKS.**

**MYJHS VALUES**

**INCLUSIVE – LEARNING – NURTURING**





# **SECONDARY MUSIC FESTIVAL**

**ON TUESDAY 18TH MARCH OUR MUSIC GROUP DA YELL-KULELES ATTENDED THIS YEAR'S YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL IN MAREEL. THE GROUP CONSISTS OF SI, S2, ROSIE FROM S3 AND LEAH, MARIANNE AND CONNOR FROM P7. THEY PERFORMED "SWEET CAROLINE" IN THE SCHOOL GROUP CATEGORY AND GOT AWARDED GOLD FROM THE ADJUDICATOR. SHE DESCRIBED THEIR PERFORMANCE AS WELL BALANCED WITH ENTHUSIASTIC SINGING FROM MOST AND WITH A STRONG ENDING THAT REALLY ROUNDED OFF THE PERFORMANCE. SOME OF OUR FIDDLERS ALSO PERFORMED IN A GROUP WITH PUPILS FROM BALTASOUND AND GOT SILVER FOR THEIR SET OF TRADITIONAL TUNES. WELL DONE TO ALL THE TALENTED MUSICIANS!**



**EVERYBODY IN MID YELL SHOULD LOOK AFTER THE ENVIRONMENT  
COMMIT TO REDUCING FOOD WASTE  
ORGANISE SCHOOL-WIDE CLEAN UP DAYS**

**ECO  
CODE**

**SAVE ENERGY BY SWITCHING OFF ALL APPLIANCES AND LIGHTS  
COOL PEOPLE COMPOST WHENEVER POSSIBLE  
HOPE FOR THE FUTURE THROUGH EDUCATION  
OUR SCHOOL LOVES NATURE  
OUTDOOR PLAY AND LEARNING IS GOOD FOR US  
LOVE OUR PLANET-EVERY LITTLE HELPS**



## **S1 MARSEUM TRIP**

**OUR S1 CLASS HAD A BRILLIANT TRIP TO THE SHETLAND MUSEUM TO PRESENT THEIR IDEAS FOR AN EXHIBIT IN A MUSEUM ON MARS! THEY WORKED TOGETHER TO PRESENT THEIR IDEAS TO THE MUSEUM STAFF AND PUPILS FROM BJHS.**

**UNCRC**

**ARTICLE #15 – EVERY CHILD HAS THE RIGHT TO MEET WITH OTHER CHILDREN**

**AND JOIN GROUPS.**

**ARTICLE #29 – EVERY CHILD HAS THE RIGHT TO EDUCATION.**

**MYJHS VALUES**

**INCLUSIVE – ASPIRATIONAL**



**A REMINDER TO PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU PRE ORDER MEALS FOR YOUR CHILD/REN ON PARENTPAY. BOOKINGS CAN BE ENTERED AS OFTEN AS YOU LIKE WHETHER THIS IS WEEKLY, FORTNIGHTLY OR TERMLY – AS LONG AS THEY ARE MADE BEFORE THE BOOKING-CUT OFF. BOOKINGS ARE OPEN UP TO 10 WEEKS IN ADVANCE.**



**IT IS IMPORTANT TO ENSURE YOUR BOOKINGS ARE MADE BEFORE THE CUT OFF TO GUARANTEE YOUR CHILD WILL RECEIVE THEIR CHOICE OF MEAL. MEAL CHOICES CANNOT BE GUARANTEED IF BOOKINGS ARE ADDED ONTO THE SYSTEM AFTER THESE CUT-OFF DATES AS INGREDIENTS WILL ALREADY HAVE BEEN ORDERED AND CANTEEN STAFF WILL BE COOKING TO THE NUMBER OF BOOKED MEALS.**

**IF YOUR CHILD IS TAKING A HOME PACKED LUNCH, PLEASE ENSURE YOU LOG ONTO PARENTPAY AND CHOOSE THE 'PACKED LUNCH FROM HOME' OPTION.**