

Tingwall Primary School

Term 2 Newsletter 2025



Welcome to our second newsletter of this year. We hope you enjoy hearing about all the learning from across this busy term. We have added in a good selection of photos too!

We hope you all have a super Christmas holiday and look forward to seeing all the bairns back to school on Monday 5th January 2026.



P123 - Term 2

Literacy

- ~ We have been enjoying reading and writing playscripts this term. We used the story of the *Three Little Pigs* to write playscripts and we had so much fun with these!
- ~ We have been enjoying making posters and signs for both our show and our Enterprise Project.
- ~ We have learned how to write invitations, and we have enjoyed writing and making these.
- ~ We have been developing our listening and talking skills this term as we have been rehearsing and performing our show, *Wriggly Nativity*.
- ~ We have been learning about how to share ideas respectfully in our enterprise groups.

Maths

- ~ P1s have been continuing to develop their number writing, recognition and counting to 10. They are so confident with their counting and are already venturing beyond 10.
- ~ P2 & P3 have been developing their understanding of subtraction. They have also been learning about using inverse operations to complete calculations. They have been using what they know about addition to help with subtraction questions.
- ~ P1, P2 & P3 have been increasing their knowledge and understanding of money, specifically coins. Everyone has been working on using coin combinations to pay for amounts.

Enterprise

- ~ We have been learning a lot of communication and cooperation skills as part of our Enterprise project.
- ~ We found it tricky at times to make group decisions, and we have spent a lot of time developing our understanding of how to compromise.
- ~ We have worked in our small groups to create a business name and logo.
- ~ We have learned about the term 'Profit' and have calculated an amount to sell our items for, so that we can make a profit.
- ~ We have learned about some simple jobs within a company and we have each taken on a simple role in our group.
- ~ We have enjoyed creating a stall and selling our products.

Learning Across the Curriculum

- ~ We have really enjoyed rehearsing and performing our show.
- ~ We loved the chance to dress up in our costumes, and to make props.
- ~ Through our show rehearsals, we have learned the story of the first Christmas. We have enjoyed making pieces of art with a nativity focus.
- ~ We have enjoyed seasonal activities and play this term, from Halloween potion making and fireworks poetry to Christmas activities.
- ~ We have read and listened to the story of *The Grinch* by Dr Zeuss. We loved listening to this and doing follow on activities, like making Grinch fruit kebabs. We cut our fruit ourselves and really enjoyed this.





Primary 4/5 Newsletter

Term 2 – 2025-2026

Term 2 has been about Christmas, traditions and of course, our Christmas performance of *Cinderella & Rockefella*. The bairns have all worked incredibly hard and produced an amazing show.



Remembrance Day

We took part in a 2 minute silence and created a lovely display for Remembrance Day.



Fine Motor Activities

We enjoy lots of fine motor activities in the class. These are very important to strengthen the muscles in our fingers and hands. This helps us to write for longer and produce neater work.

Maths

We have been working on addition and shape this term. We have enjoyed making 3D shapes. We have used Sumdog to reinforce learning and even played Blocklet to practice our number skills.

Writing

We have continued our daily writing and have moved on to another target, which we have almost achieved. The progress this term has been absolutely brilliant and the bairns continue to work so hard.

Topic – Celebrations/Christmas

We have thoroughly enjoyed our topic about Celebrations/Christmas. We have written spooky Halloween stories and dressed up in our costumes. We have welcomed CASE Shetland to our class and taken part in their K-nex challenge. We have done many Show & Tells, met Pudsey, made paper chains longer than the school and much, much more!



Cinderella & Rockerfella



P6/7 Newsletter

Term 2

Math:

During Term 2, we have continued to practise and build confidence with addition and subtraction methods, while also developing our multiplication and division strategies. We have learned how to do long division, which has helped us solve problems involving larger numbers. We are still working hard to memorise our times tables.

We have continued with our classroom jobs and wages as part of our classroom economy. With such a busy term, we sometimes had to calculate double or even triple wages, which really tested our math skills. Some pupils have saved a lot of money for classroom privileges, showing great responsibility and numeracy skills.

P.E.:

In PE this term, we have been focusing on basketball. Our movement and passing skills have improved greatly. The netball club also competed in their first fixture, beating Whalsay 7-0 — a fantastic achievement!

Some members of the netball club wrote a letter to a company asking for sponsorship for netball strips, and they said yes! We are hoping to receive our new strips in the new year for upcoming fixtures. Well done to Hannah, Thea, Lewis and James for writing the letter.

Reading:

In reading, we have continued to develop our expression and fluency by reading along with audiobooks and completing comprehension tasks. We have also spent time reading aloud to each other, which has helped improve confidence and fluency. To finish off the term, we have been enjoying a funny book about a Christmas pageant, which has been a lovely way to end a busy and exciting term.

Writing:

In writing, we have continued to develop our use of punctuation and sentence openers. We have also explored similes and metaphors to help us describe things in more detail. We learned about limericks, rhymes and syllables, which linked perfectly with our pantomime script, as many of us were unfamiliar with this style of performance. These activities helped improve our creativity and confidence in writing.

Topic:

Our main topic this term has been our pantomime. We have put in an incredible amount of time, effort and teamwork. The class has been practising lines, creating and painting props, writing limericks, changing parts of the script, helping each other remember lines, and singing songs. We even came up with our own actions for the songs, with Lily-Ann being a big help.

The final performance for parents was absolutely brilliant and hilarious. We received amazing feedback from everyone and are very proud of what we achieved together.

We have also had the pleasure of receiving some drumming lessons with Joy. We are learning a piece to enter into the Music Festival!

