



## Bun-Sgoil Ghàidhlig Loch Abar

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### CUAIRT-LITIR SHEACHDAINEACH/WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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#### HEALTH ISSUES

Head Lice - please ensure you frequently check your child's hair for head lice. If you require any guidance, please contact the school office.

Sickness - please note that if your child has a sickness bug, your child should not attend school for 48 hours after the sickness stops. This policy is set by the NHS.

#### SGOIL-ÀRAICH NEWS

Policies - over the next few weeks, our new Sgoil-àraich policies will be available online on our website as well as being available in the setting. There are very small changes to policies to reflect local council and government updates. Our policy of the month is available on the Sgoil-àraich notice board.

Questionnaires - to help us continue to maintain a very high service, over the next few week's staff will be asking families key questions regarding the service provision during drop off and collection.

Information Whiteboard - you will have noticed that we now have a new information whiteboard with the latest and most up to date Sgoil-àraich information.

Learning Journeys - all learning journeys are now available to parents/guardians bilingually and will be available to see during pupil progress meetings.

Planning - our whole school focus this term is safety and Sgoil-àraich will be focussing on road safety. We will also be focusing on Autumn, Remembrance Day, St Andrew's and Christmas! A busy term ahead!

#### RUGBY

We have received notification today that Rugby will not go ahead this term after school. The coach has an extensive injury. We apologise about any inconvenience this may cause and will update all families for next term.



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### HALLOWEEN

Thank you very much to all our children who came dressed up for Halloween! They all looked amazing! Pictures are on our website by going to [www.bsqa.co.uk](http://www.bsqa.co.uk) and clicking on the blog tab at the bottom left hand side! A picture of the winning costumes is also on the blog.

### HOMEWORK

Booklets for this term are currently at the translators and will be available shortly. In the meantime, please continue to work on multiplication, spelling and reading at home. Ceud taing.

### TERMLY PLANS

All children have been issued with a termly plan today. We hope you find this information useful to support your child's learning.

### PUPIL PROGRESS EVENINGS

Please return slips as soon as possible. We aim to issue appointment confirmation letters by the end of next week.

### SNAPSHOTS

Learning snapshots for numeracy, writing and interdisciplinary learning have been issued today. We would ask that parents/guardians comment on the three sheets and return to the school by **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November**. Ceud taing.

### FIRST MINISTER'S READING CHALLENGE

As part of the First Minister's Reading Challenge, booklets have gone home to all children in C4 - C7 to encourage children to read for enjoyment. Please help and encourage your child to read in any language and encourage them to complete the booklet. Children in Sgoil-àraich to C3 should also be encouraged to read and please share feedback and successes in the homework diary.

### MOD 2016

LAST CALL - If you have any expenses to claim for Mod 2016, please email [bsqa@highland.gov.uk](mailto:bsqa@highland.gov.uk). There is only a very small budget this year from An Comunn.



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### CÈILIDH

Thank to everyone who came along to support our cèilidh last night. Thank you to all the performers, parent helpers and staff members for all their hard work. We raised a total of £278.87 for school funds. Ceud taing dhuibh uile.

### HELP FOR PANTO

We are looking for any parent helpers to help gather and make costumes for our Christmas Panto - Cinderella! If you are willing to help, please email us at [bsgla@highland.gov.uk](mailto:bsgla@highland.gov.uk).

### GUY FAWKES NIGHT

Remember, remember the 5<sup>th</sup> of November! C6/7 today presented a brilliant play to C1/2 about the dangers of Fireworks and throughout the school staff have been talking to children about how to stay safe. Remember to attend an organised event and to stay safe. For more information on safety, please go to <http://www.firescotland.gov.uk/your-safety/bonfire-safety.aspx>

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Day Service at 10am

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November - Parent Council Meeting at 7.30pm

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November - Children in Need Fundraising Day - dress up as your favourite book character!

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November - Pupil Progress Evenings - Remember the Gaelic and English Book fairs will be at school!

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> & Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November - Dance Platform

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - Open Day for Gaelic Medium Education

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Unwrapped - C6/7

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December - Whole School Christmas Show - Cinderella

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December - Christmas Service at 10am

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December - School closes at 2.45pm/3.15pm for Christmas holidays.