



# Bun-sgoil Ghàidhlig Inbhir Nis

## Cuairt-litir/Newsletter 21

### An Gearran/February 2011



#### Dè tha dol?/What's new?

##### Archaeologists visit

As some of you may be aware, a team of archaeologists are working on what they believe to be a Bronze Age dig opposite the school. The lead archaeologist has kindly offered to talk to the pupils on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 2pm in the School Hall. Parents are also invited to attend if they wish. P4-P7 will then spend Friday visiting the site and having their questions answered. We are all very excited about this rare opportunity to learn about the work of archaeologists and learn more about our local history.

##### Vision, Values and Aims

The pupils and staff have been discussing what makes our school special and what is important to us as a school community. As parents/carers, you are a very important part of the community and we are keen to hear your views! All views gathered will be collated to form our new school aims. Our school aims will play a central role in directing the school and highlighting to everybody what is important to the BSGI community.

Please complete the form attached and return to the school office/class teacher by the 10<sup>th</sup> of March. Thank you for your participation.

**Ciamar a tha fios againn gu bheil an sgoil math? What makes a good school?**

**Dè na rudan a tha cudtromach ionnsachadh sa sgoil?**

**What learning should take place at school?**

**Dè na rudan a tha cudtromach dhut-sa san sgoil? What is important to you in the school?**

**Dè dh'fhaodadh a bhith nas fheàrr mun sgoil againn?**

**What further improvements would you like to see at Bun-sgoil Ghàidhlig Inbhir Nis?**

##### Staffing

Sgoil-àraich - Mrs Taylor will be reducing her hours to Monday - Wednesday and Mrs MacKintosh will be Acting Nursery Assistant on Thursday and Friday until the Easter holidays. Mrs Nicolson shall be covering Mrs MacKintosh's Nursery Auxiliary post on those days.

P6/7 - Mrs Dennis is unable to continue on a supply basis on Thursday and Friday and therefore Mrs Walker will take up this post until the Easter holidays.

P1 - Mrs Wells will be teaching full-time in Primary 1 for two weeks, covering Mrs Dickson's absence.

**Due to Increased Class commitment, the Senior Management Team's management hours have been reduced considerably. As a result we regret that this Newsletter edition is available only in English.**



### Naidheachdan Eco/Eco News

#### Fruity Tuesday

The Eco Committee members feel that not enough pupils are eating fruit at playtime. They suggested that Tuesday should be a fruity day! We would like to encourage all children to take fruit to school everyday, if possible, but make an especially big effort to do so on Tuesdays. The committee will keep a record of their progress on improving this in a report of their findings back to pupils and parents.

#### Healthy Tuck Shop

Health and Wellbeing is one of the three main threads that run through a Curriculum for Excellence alongside Literacy and Numeracy. The Eco Committee feel we could improve our work in this area. They identified in their Action plan that they would like to set up a healthy tuck shop at playtimes. We would be very keen to have parents helping with this venture and would ask that you contact the school if you can dedicate a little time to this new project.

### Naidheachd Comhairle nan Sgoilearean/Pupil Council News

#### Responsible Citizens

The Pupil Council, at a recent meeting, decided that the whole school focus for the remainder for the term should be on developing Responsible Citizens. This is one of our 4 capacities for the Curriculum for Excellence.

The following two targets have been selected as their focus:

Pupils at times forget to say 'Please' and 'Thank you', 'Good Morning', etc and we all agreed that it is very important to be mannerly and to help each other to remember to do so.

We also agreed that the cloakroom areas were becoming very messy and that we should ensure that we look after our belongings. We look forward to seeing which class will be the tidiest!

### Naidheachd Comhairle anm Pàrant/Parent Council News

#### Basgaidean Nollaige

Tha Comhairle nam Pàrant ag iarraidh taing a thoirt dhuibh uile airson an tiodhlaic a thug sibh seachad agus airson na h-àireamhan a reic. Chaidh £229 a thogail airson an t-àite-fasgaidh agus tursan sgoile

#### Christmas Hampers

The Parent Council would like to thank the whole school community for the items handed in for the Christmas Hampers and for taking part in this fundraiser. The total raised was £229 which will go towards the cost of an outdoor shelter and school trips.



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#### Fòram nam Pàrant

Bidh coinneamh de Fòram nam Pàrant BSGI ann air 24 Màrt 2010 aig BSGI  
Thèid an tuilleadh fiosrachadh a-mach ron àm.

#### Parents Forum

A meeting of the BSGI Parents Forum will be held on 24 March 2010 at BSGI  
Additional information will be circulated prior to the event.

### Soirbheachadh agus Coileanadh/Successes and Achievements

#### Achievements

We believe it is very important to celebrate achievements both within and out with school. Please send in photos of your children or certificates of achievement that they can show at assembly and can then be added to our achievement folder in the School foyer.

Achievements celebrated at Assembly this month were:

Orla P6 - playing chopsticks on the piano and dancing a jig at a party.

Zac P3 - moved up a level in Tae Kwon-do.

Grant P7 - moving up 2 levels in Skiing.

Kirstin P4 - was awarded 2 x 3rds, 3 x 4th and 1 x 5th in Highland Dancing.

#### Cupa na Gàidhlig

Cupa na Gàidhlig, school quaich, is our weekly award that recognises the pupils who are making a big effort to speak Gaelic. Below are the children who were recognised for their achievement this month:

Sophie, P6

Peigi, P3

Adam, P7

### Fiosrachadh/Information

#### Supervision

Children are supervised in school **from 8.45** and only earlier if they are booked into Breakfast Club. Therefore, no children should be coming to school before 8.45 unless booked in for Breakfast Club. Thank you for your support in this matter.

#### Inverness Music Festival

The provisional timetable for competitions has now been issued.

A letter will be issued shortly outlining the arrangements for both competitions.



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#### World Book Day

It is World Book Day on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March and we hope to have a fun day celebrating books and enjoying a variety of reading related activities! One of the activities will be to donate 50p to our school charity, **Clic Sargant**, and come to school dressed as your favourite character!

The Sgoil-àraich, Primary 1 and 2 have arranged for a visit to the school from '**Animal Magic**' who run safe and educational visits to schools. They offer 'live animal handling' sessions and will bring a selection of animals from the following...

Tarantula  
Scorpion  
Giant Snails, Cockroaches & Millipedes  
Cane Toad & European Green Toad  
Eastern Rosella Parrot  
Lop eared rabbit & guinea pig

Each class will also plan activities based on literacy and reading. We look forward to blogging our experiences on our website soon!