

Strath of Appin



Weekly Newsletter

Timetable for Week 30/0418			
April/May	Activity	Group/Person involved	Timescale
Monday 30	Bookbug	Pre-5 children, P1 children, local pre-schoolers welcome with carer, Mrs Murphy	11.30-12.00
Tuesday 1	PE	All Pupils	am
Wednesday 2			
Thursday 3	Hub Hab Gaelic Drama visiting PE	Whole school Primary 4-7 Pupils	pm pm
Friday 4	Highlands & Islands Music & Dance Festival	Pre-5 & Primary 1-3 Action Song Primary 4-7 Ensemble	am pm

Dinner Money: Please remember to send in any money on Fridays School lunches are £2.20 per day and if milk is taken this is 10 pence per day. Cheques should be made payable to Argyll & Bute Council.

The school lunch menu this week is Menu Week 3

Primary 7 Edinburgh City Visit: Our Primary 7 pupils have been away since early Thursday morning and will return later on Friday (today). We are looking forward to hearing all about their action-packed trip to Edinburgh. They were certainly very excited about their adventure!



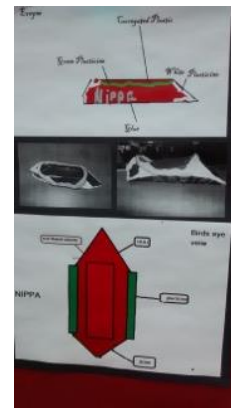
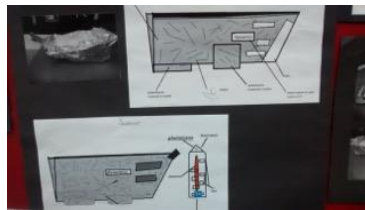
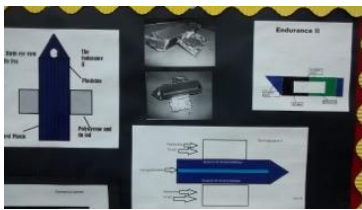
Music & Dance Festival: Many of our pupils will be taking part in highland dancing classes and solo instrumental and vocal classes over the festival weekend (4th-5th May), so we wish them all well.

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Sustrans Big Pedal: Thank you to all the parents and helpers who got bikes, trikes and scooters to school for our cycle on Tuesday. We were fortunate with the weather which stayed dry, warm and sunny for us in the morning when we were out on our bikes. The pupils were very responsible on the track and cycled safely and sensibly. Some of our pupils cycled to school which was great and hopefully if we get some more good weather even more will consider cycling to school.



Primary 4-7 News: We have been learning to draw and create an image or plan of our boat designs on the computer. Some of our Primary 7 pupils were a great help in teaching the younger pupils how to use the tools on the computer.



We have been learning to use lines and patterns to create texture in our “landscape” art. When we were out on the cycle track on Tuesday we took some landscape photographs on the iPads which we will use as inspiration for our next piece of art.



Primary 4-5 have been learning more about Fractions in their maths, playing games and making pizzas! Primary 6-7 have been using the “grid method” to multiply 2,3,4 and 5 digit numbers – ask them to show you how it is done!

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Gaelic News: Anns a chlas Ghaidhlig bha sinn a'sgriobhadh litrichean gu Shane Rodwell agus Falcon Scott a'toirt taing airson am fiosrachadh a dh'inns iad dhuinn. Cuideachd tha sinn cho toilichte gu bheil Seonaidh, Kimiya agus Rosie comhla rinn. Aig Book bug fhuair sinn iongadh breagha oir thainig Isla Catherine am piuthar aig Emma a steach.

We wrote thank you letters to Shane and Falcon for their interesting presentations. At Book Bug Emma's baby sister joined us. What a lovely surprise it was.

Primary 1-3 News: Primary 1-3 pupils have started their shapes learning with children recognising and naming 3D shapes in and around their environment. We had "Breakfast" at 3pm on Tuesday with cornflakes eaten from a cuboid cereal packet! They have also been playing shapes games on "Topmarks" maths website which is very educational. Their homework focus next week will be continuing this learning by playing the fun games.



We had a special visitor this week being a recent arrival – Isla Paterson! Lorna, Isla's mum kindly visited with Isla to explain how to look after a baby. This is linked to our Health and Wellbeing topic this term, "Looking after a baby" and "Living Things – where they come from." We look forward to another visit from Lorna and Isla very soon.

The children did extremely well participating in "The Big Pedal" on Tuesday. A good pace was set by Caddell and Arden and the two boys were very responsible, stopping at the various points allocated on the cycle track so the group did not get too spread apart. Thank you boys for the excellent role you took on! The children reached the round stone seating area, just before the recycle bins, after 20 minutes of cycling and then we turned back just in time for morning break. An excellent effort all round, especially those on scooters!



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Nursery News: In the Nursery this week we have had lots of fun using our sensory tent and jelly stones in our sensory box. We also had great fun cycling along to the Jubilee Bridge for the Big Pedal, all the children were great at zooming along either on their bikes, scooters or balance bikes.



As it has been wet this week we decided that it would be fun to splash and jump in muddy puddles like Peppa Pig.

We have made some traffic lights, using tissue paper, for our topic "Transport" and have been playing the traffic light game, Stop, Get Ready and Go!



We are continuing to practice "The Melting Song" for singing in the Music Festival next week. We are looking forward to performing on stage as penguins and for our parents to come and watch.

After School Clubs:

Tuesday	Highland Dancers (Competing Dancers) 4.00-5.30pm
Thursday	Highland Dancers (Beginners) 4.15-5.00pm
Friday	Gym Club 3.30-4.45pm
Friday	Football 5.00-5.45pm

These are weekly clubs, individual leaders will inform members if the club is not running any particular week.

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Diary Dates – Please remember to read this section as it is updated on a weekly basis.

Friday 4 th May	Highlands & Islands Music & Dance Festival
Thursday 17 th May	Christian Aid Breakfast Club (08.45)
Saturday 19 th May	Feis na h'Apainne
Thursday 24 th May	Sports Day (Provisional)
Monday 11 th – Wednesday 13 th June	High School Induction Days
Saturday 16 th June	Feis na h'Apainne
Tuesday 26 th June	Primary 7 Leavers Concert 1.45pm

Aileen Thomson
Acting Head Teacher

Attachments: Flyer – Oban Sailing Club – Primary Summer Courses
Daffodil Tea Poster

School Bags: Highlands & Islands Music & Dance Festival Permission Slips