

# Naidheachdan Lacasdail

## Laxdale News

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024



### ECO-SCHOOLS SCOTLAND GREEN FLAG AWARD

Laxdale School received notification this week of our seventh Eco-Schools Scotland Green Flag Award. The school continuously works towards the award through recycling, learning about sustainability, litter picking, outdoor learning and many other areas. Thank you to Miss Afrin who collates all the information and evidence and submits the application. Thank you to Eco-leaders, Harley and Jack (P7) and Starla and Isla (GM6) who are to be commended for their work this session.

Some feedback from the assessors.

*Mealaibh ur naidheachd! Congratulations to everyone at Bun Sgoil Lacasdail for achieving an Eco-Schools Scotland Green Flag Award!*

*I have very much enjoyed reading through your journey. You have worked really hard on your wide-ranging actions to make your school a more environmentally friendly place to be. Well done!*

*Your Eco-Committee has used their Environmental Review to highlight key issues they want to tackle, and these are clearly reflected in your Action Plan, which is great.*

*I really enjoyed seeing the pictures you sent in with your application. Your beautiful displays show that you have learnt a lot about a range of interesting topics! It is great that pupils are learning about both local habitats such as the machair and habitats in other parts of the world such as rainforests.*

*You have done a great job of involving your local community in your Eco-Schools activities. I love your bilingual signs in your playground! And it is wonderful to hear about your litter picks, field trips, and speakers that you have had visiting the school.*

*It is great to hear about the opportunities pupils have had to grow plants and learn about nature. Your Metagama pocket garden is beautiful and a brilliant example of interdisciplinary learning. Overall, you have done a fantastic job and are highly deserving of this Green Flag Award.*

*Is math a rinn sibh uile!*

*Congratulations once again and we wish you every success as you move on to your next application.*



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# Eco-Schools Scotland Green Flag Award

Recognising your efforts to protect our  
environment

Bun Sgoil Lacasdail

07 May 2024

Daniel Barrie  
Education and Learning Manager,  
Keep Scotland Beautiful



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## LITTER PICKER WINNERS

The school was also informed this week that they were Litter Picker Winners after entering a competition through the Environmental charity, Keep Scotland Beautiful.

A press release stated:

*Laxdale Primary School have been crowned Highlands and Islands champion in a litter picking competition for young people across Scotland.*

*Environmental charity, Keep Scotland Beautiful, hosts a 'litter league', which is an initiative aimed at getting children and young people more involved with cleaning up litter across the country. The competition sees almost 6,000 pupils take part in it across the country.*

*The competition formed part of the charity's annual [#SpringCleanScotland](#) challenge and 5,864 young people, supported by more than 1,000 adults, across primary and secondary schools, affiliated and unaffiliated youth groups, families and colleges took part. In total, 185 clean ups were completed across 30 local authority areas.*

*Laxdale Primary School managed to win the top prize after collecting 29 bags of litter during three litter picks.*



## WIIGA YOUNG LEADERS DAY AND FAMILY PICNIC

After the success of last year's Coronation Picnic, we hope to have another Family Picnic on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June from 2pm - 3pm on the Laxdale School Football Pitch. In the morning pupils and staff will participate in the annual WIIGA - Young Leaders Day on Bayhead Pitch. P6 and P7 pupils will set up and lead activities for the P1 - P5 pupils. They will be assessed by Mr Eric Macleod from Active Schools.

In the afternoon we hope to host another Family Picnic on Laxdale Pitch this time to celebrate the success of session 2023-24. As was the format last year we would like to invite parents/families to the school for a celebration picnic (weather permitting). Parents/families will come to the school for 2.15pm **with a picnic blanket and picnic snacks** and their children will join them. Blankets can be set up on the football pitch. Any children whose families are unable to attend will sit with their class teacher and peers. More information to follow.

## RSHP

RSHP lessons will commence week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May. Thank you to all those who completed a form for their child. As indicated in the reminder email sent on Monday, if a return was not received by Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May indicating your intentions, the lessons will commence as planned and your child will be included within them.

## WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

Walk to School Week will take place week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> May 2024. As in previous years pupils are encouraged to walk or cycle to school that week. If pupils live outwith a reasonable walking distance, they are encouraged to park and stride (get dropped off further from the school and walk the rest). Pupils will receive House Points for each journey they are able to walk. The winning class will receive a reward of 15 minutes extra break time.



## P7 AFTERNOON TEA FOR PARENTS

The Busy Bees Group along with Mrs T Macleod and Mrs C Campbell are busy planning and preparing for an Afternoon Tea for all P7 parents and pupils on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May from 2pm - 3pm.

All P7 pupils will have the opportunity to invite four guests to the Afternoon Tea. They will accompany their guests to it.

Invites have been issued to P7 pupils. I hope the event will be well supported. It will be a good chance for all P7 parents to meet together before the pupils move on to the Nicolson Institute in August.



## SENSORY PROCESSING WORKSHOP



## Sensory Processing Workshop

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**12.30pm-2.30pm**

**Live online session with the Occupational Therapy service for parents/carers (adults only)**

- Does your child get upset by certain sensations?
- Are they always moving and fidgeting or constantly touching things?
- Are they easily distracted?
- Do they struggle to engage in everyday activities because of this?

**If so, they may have difficulty processing sensory information**

Join our online session where you can learn about the senses and the impact these can have on a child. You will leave with a few ideas to try to support your child to be more able and confident in their everyday lives.

**For further information or to book your place contact [wi.otwesternisles@nhs.scot](mailto:wi.otwesternisles@nhs.scot) by Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May**

**A joining link will be emailed to you nearer the time of the workshop**

## STORNOWAY RUGBY CLUB FUN RUN

Please see the posters below about the Stornoway Rugby Club Fun Run.



### Entry Fees:

Adults - £3  
Under 16s - £2  
Under 5s - Free  
Pay on arrival

Walk, Jog, or Run!  
Buggies and Dogs are welcome too,  
just keep any dogs on a lead

### The route being ran:



## TESCO TOKENS

Please remember to place your blue Tesco tokens in the Laxdale Primary School Playtime Fruit Snack box. Thank you.



## NON-UNIFORM DAYS

On the last school day Friday of each month we have a non-uniform day. Pupils can donate £1 towards school funds if they wish to do so.

## NON-UNIFORM DATES FOR SESSION 2023-24

Friday 31 May 2024

Thursday 27 June 2

## DATES FOR THE DIARY - TERM 4

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Anti-Bullying Ambassadors Assembly 9.30am - Stornoway Primary Pupils
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	P7 Afternoon Tea Gym Hall
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	RRSA Gold Award Accreditation
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Term 3 House Points Winners - <b>MATHESON</b> Swim Fun Session (1.30pm - 2.30pm)
Week beginning 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Sports Week
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Sports Day at the Running Track, Smith Avenue <b>P4-P7 10.00am - 12.30pm</b> <b>P1-P3 1.00pm - 3.00pm</b>
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	WIIGA School Sports (Rural Sports)
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Pre-Mod Concert - 7pm
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June to Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Local Mod
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Chippy Lunch for P7 pupils
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> and Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Induction Days at The Nicolson Institute
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> and Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	New P1 entrants to Laxdale School (9.30am - 12.30pm)
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	End of Year Summary to Parents
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	DYW CRY Quiz - GM5-7 7.00pm - Gym Hall
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Leavers' Lunch in cafeteria Staff/P7 Parents v Pupils Football Match
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	WIIGA Day - Bayhead Pitch - Young Leaders Activities and Run 2.00pm - Family Picnic - Laxdale Pitch (more information to follow)
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Whole School Trip to the beach
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	End of Year Assembly - Rev. Tommy Macneil (10.00am)
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Prizegiving - all P7 parents will be invited Pupils to wear full school uniform - shirt and tie
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Party - 7.00pm
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	School closes for Summer Holiday

Have a lovely weekend

Miss M Macleod, Head of School

# Menu - Week Beginning 13 May 2024

LAXDALE SCHOOL CAFETERIA	LAXDALE SCHOOL CAFETERIA	LAXDALE SCHOOL CAFETERIA	LAXDALE SCHOOL CAFETERIA	LAXDALE SCHOOL CAFETERIA
<b>MONDAY 13.05.24</b>	<b>TUESDAY 14.05.24</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 15.05.24</b>	<b>THURSDAY 16.05.24</b>	<b>FRIDAY 17.05.24</b>
Name: _____ Class: _____	Name: _____ Class: _____	Name: _____ Class: _____	Name: _____ Class: _____	Name: _____ Class: _____
ITEM	ITEM	ITEM	ITEM	ITEM
Seasonal Vegetable Soup	Lentil Soup	Carrot Soup	Vegetable Soup	Chicken & Rice Soup
Macaroni / Garlic Bread / Beans / Sweetcorn	Sausage Casserole / Mashed Potatoes / Peas / Broccoli	Chicken Curry & Rice / Green Beans / Sweetcorn	Steak Pie / Roast Potatoes / Broccoli / Peas	Fish & Chips / Colelaw / Seasonal Mixed Salad
Yoghurt & Fruit or Fruit	Seasonal Fruit salad or Fruit	Sponges / Custard & Fruit or Fruit	Ice-Cream & Fruit or Fruit	Jelly & Fruit or Fruit
<i>Snack Option</i>	<i>Snack Option</i>	<i>Snack Option</i>	<i>Snack Option</i>	<i>Snack Option</i>
Soup / Egg Sandwich	Lentil Soup & Tuna Sandwich	Baked Potato with Cheese / Tuna or Beans	Vegetable Soup & Cheese Sandwich	Chicken & Rice Soup & Ham Sandwich
Sandwiches or Wrap	Sandwiches or Wrap	Sandwiches or Wrap	Sandwiches or Wrap	Sandwiches or Wrap
Tuna	Tuna	Tuna	Tuna	Ham
Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Tuna
Egg	Egg	Ham	Egg	Cheese
Filled Roll or Baguette	Filled Roll or Bqsuette	Filled Roll or Bqsuette	Filled Roll or Bqsuette	Filled Roll or Baguette
Tuna	Tuna	Tuna	Tuna	Ham
Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Tuna
Egg	Egg	Ham	Egg	Cheese
Fresh Vegetables	Fresh Vegetables	Fresh Vegetables	Fresh Vegetables	Colelaw
Fresh Vegetables	Fresh Vegetables	Fresh Vegetables	Fresh Vegetables	Fresh Vegetables
AVAILABLE DAILY	AVAILABLE DAILY	AVAILABLE DAILY	AVAILABLE DAILY	AVAILABLE DAILY
Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit
Milk (Packet) *SS	Milk (Packet) *SS	Milk (Packet) *SS	Milk (Packet) *SS	Milk (Packet) *SS
Yoghurt (Low Fat)	Yoghurt (Low Fat)	Yoghurt (Low Fat)	Yoghurt (Low Fat)	Yoghurt (Low Fat)

**WEEK 1** **HEALTHY EATING OPTION** \*SS - Semi-Skimmed **FREE SIDE SALAD & PORTION OF BREAD WITH MAIN COURSE**