



Naidheachdan Lacadail

WELCOME BACK

It was lovely to welcome staff and pupils back to school after the Easter Break. Term 4 is going to be a busy one with lots of different activities and events in the diary.

COVID RESTRICTIONS

Parents were issued with the latest Covid-19 briefing this week. As stated in the briefing, many of the restrictions have now been lifted in school. We will continue with hand washing and sanitising when the pupils enter and exit the school building as well as when moving around the school. The Premises Risk Assessment has been updated to follow the current guidance and will be reviewed and adapted if the situation in the school changes.

MRS CATHERINE MURRAY



Mrs Catherine Murray, Clerical Assistant is taking early retirement and will finish work in Laxdale School on Wednesday 27th April. Mrs Murray has worked in Laxdale School for over 24 years. She started her work as a Support for Learning Assistant and then moved into her current role as Clerical Assistant. Mrs Murray runs an efficient office and we rely on her to keep everything running smoothly and in check. She will be missed when she finishes on Wednesday and we wish her well as she moves onto a new chapter in her life. We will have a special Assembly on Wednesday afternoon when pupils and staff will get the opportunity to say goodbye to her.

JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Please read the following information from Laxdale Community Council.

The Laxdale Community Association will host a Big Jubilee Lunch for the community, on Friday 3rd June and we need your help.

The Big Lunch is an event where all the community come along, with their own pack lunch and/or something to share and have fun and games together.

We hope to nominate one or two "party people" in each street or area, e.g: Benside, Newvalley, Bridge Cottages etc. This person would be a contact for the committee to help make sure their neighbours know what's happening on the day and gather requests from their area. For example: does your street want dancing, do the kids want a bouncy castle, should we have a BBQ...

We will use the Laxdale Hall as a base, however it is hoped that the weather will be nice enough for us to hire the school green and have a community picnic.

The Community Association will provide additional refreshments and fund entertainment for the day,

Please email laxdalehall@gmail.com to get involved

We look forward to planning a wonderful tribute to her majesty with you all.

Thank you

Laxdale Community Association

OUTDOOR LEARNING WEEK

Pupils have had many opportunities to take their learning outdoors this week. Class teachers have planned lessons which develop outdoor learning skills. The weather has been favourable which has encouraged classes outdoors. The outdoor learning theme will continue next week with a number of lessons planned.

WALK TO PORTER'S LODGE

All classes and nursery pupils will walk in to Porter's Lodge on Monday to meet with members of Stornoway Trust to plant wild flowers. Members of the ECO committee went around classes today to demonstrate how the wild flower seed bombs are made using soil, flour, wild flower seeds and water. The seed bombs have to be stored for two days before being planted on Monday.

The classes will be accompanied by staff on their walk and a risk assessment has been completed which will be shared with all pupils.

CUACH NA CLOINNE

Pupils from GM classes will participate in the Cuach na Cloinne football competition on Thursday 28th April at Smith Avenue. Pupils will be accompanied to the competition by Miss Afrin and Mrs Maciver.

P4 SWIMMING

P4 pupils will commence swimming lessons on Friday 6th May. Consent forms and information has been sent home for parents/carers to complete.

MAY HOLIDAY

The school will be closed on Friday 29th April and Monday 2nd May for May Holiday.

BEHAVIOURAL SURVEY

Thank you to those who have already completed the Behavioural Survey for parents. A gentle reminder to complete it to those who are still to do so. At the moment, we only have 22 responses and would appreciate more to allow us to gather the views of parents across the school.

The survey can be accessed using the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/r/eb6OqMMbs7>

DATES FOR THE DIARY

TERM 4	
Monday 25 th April	Outdoor Learning Week
Friday 29 th April	School closed - May Holiday
Monday 2 nd May	School closed - May holiday
Thurs 5 th & Fri 6 th May	P7 to Scaladale
Wk beg. 16 th May	Walk to School Week and Sports Week
Friday 20 th May	WIIGA Sports Day
Wk beg. 30 th May	Jubilee Week
Friday 3 rd June	Jubilee Holiday - school closed
Thurs 23 rd June	Staff v pupils Football Match
Friday 24 th June	Beach Day
Monday 27 th June	Prizegiving
Tuesday 28 th June	School closes for summer holiday

NON-UNIFORM DATES FOR SESSION 2021-22

Friday 27th May 2022

Friday 24th June 2022



Have a good weekend.

Mairi Macleod, Head Teacher