Monday 30th May 2022



Lazdale News

Naidheachdan Lacasdail

LEGO LEAGUE

*G*M6-7 participated in the LEGO League Islands Competition at UHI Outer Hebrides on Friday 27th May. They were judged on their Core Values, Innovation Project, Robot Design and Robot Game. They had to build and code the robot to complete different challenges. They also had to research and create an innovation design which they presented to the judges. The class won awards for **Robot Design**, **Robot Game** and **Overall Champions**. They are now going to compete in the Regionals Competition in June.

"In the morning, we showed the judges the posters we created and presented our talks about the Innovation Project and our Robot Design and mission strategy. We also told them about the Core Values which were inclusion, respect, team work, innovation and having fun." *Finlay GM6*

"Bha mi a' faireachdainn rud beag nearbhach fhad 's a bha mi a bruidhinn mu dheidhinn an Innovation Project againn agus bha mi toilichte nuair a bha sinn deiseil." *Ruby, GM7*

"After our break, we got tea, juice and snacks and went back in for the Robot Game. We had 3×2.5 minute games against other schools in which we had to complete as many challenges as possible to gain the most points." Hannah, GM7

"Bha mi ag obair le Finlay airson a' chiad geama, Hannah airson and darna geama agus Fraser airson an treasamh geama. Fhad' s a bha sinn a gabhail pairt anns an Robot Game, bha mi a faireachdainn nearbhach. Cha robh mi a smoaineachadh gun robh sinn a' dol a bhuannachadh ach bha mi cho toilichte nuair a thuirt iad!" Innes F, GM7

"Bha mi cho toilitche nuair a thuirt iad gun do bhuannaich sinn 'Overall Champions'!" *Fraser, GM7*

"Bha mi a faireachdainn mìorbhaileach agus air-bhioran nuair a chuala mi gun do bhuannaich sinn!" *Ronan, GM6*

"I felt over the moon!" Angus Murdo, GM6

"Bha mi cho toilitchte gun do bhuannaich sinn 3 duaisean agus gum bi sinn a-nis san ath cho-fharpais." *Alasdair, GM6*

Congratulations and well done to all the pupils and to Miss Afrin.

MOD WEEK

The GM classes are due to perform their plays for the Mod on Tuesday 7th June at An Lanntair. A Bus has been booked and will leave the school at 9.30am. There will be a total of 56 pupils and 6 adults. Some children from the Sgoil Araich are part of the GM1-3 play so they will also attend. Pupils will change into their costumes before leaving the school. Pupils, including the pupils from the other 4 schools competing, will be seated as the audience throughout the competition. We do not know if seats will be available for parents or others as availability of seats is dependent on capacity. If we receive any additional information we will share with parents. We wish the pupils well as they compete in the competition. They have spent a number of hours rehearsing in school.

Thank you to Marisa Macdonald and Hannah Gilles who have worked with each of the classes every week to assist with Drama and Gaelic.

The school choir is due to perform on Friday 10th June in the Cabarfeidh Hotel. Again, once we get more information we will share with parents.

Post Mod Concert - we hope to have a post Mod concert on Monday 13th June at 6.30pm in Laxdale School. All those who competed in the Mod will have an opportunity to perform in front of parents. More info to follow.

HMIE VISIT

The HMIE Recovery Visit will take place over the next two days. Tomorrow is a virtual day of meetings with school and Sgoil Araich management as well as meetings with parents, partner agencies, support staff and Sgoil Araich staff.

Two HMIE staff will visit Laxdale School on Wednesday. They will meet with staff and observe lessons in every class and the Sgoil Araich. They will also get an opportunity to speak to various pupil focus groups. Mrs Kathleen Macleod, Executive Head Teacher will assist with the observations in the GM classes.

The visit will allow pupils, staff, parents and partners to talk about the recovery period following the two national lockdowns and periods of home learning.

JUBILEE WEEK CELEBRATIONS

The school has started to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee this week. The pupils are learning about the role of the Queen, her life and significant events that have taken place throughout her reign.

We are looking forward to listening to Mr Iain MacAulay, Lord Lieutenant at Assembly on Wednesday morning.

The school is decorated with bunting, flags and all things Jubilee related. Each pupil has drawn a Jubilee themed picture on a square of paper. All the squares have been placed together to form a patchwork picture. It is very impressive!

Thursday is the day we will celebrate the Platinum Jubilee with a whole school Tea Party taking place from 1.45pm to 3.00pm. Staff and pupils are encouraged to come dressed for a party celebration.











JUBILEE BOOKS

Stornoway Free Church Sunday School gifted the school and Sgoil Araich copies of Queen Elizabeth II, a story book for children. Classes have been reading the story as part of the Jubilee Week learning. Thank you to the Sunday School for such a thoughtful and generous gift to the school.



WIIGA DAY

The WIIGA Day will now take place on Thursday 16th June. More information to follow before the event.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

TERM 4	
Wk beg. 30 th May	Jubilee Week
Tuesday 31 st May &	HMIE Recovery Visit
Wednesday 1 st June	
Thursday 2 nd June	Whole School Jubilee Celebration Party -
	1.45pm - 3.00pm
Friday 3 rd June	Jubilee Holiday - school closed
Tuesday 7 th June	Parent Council Meeting, 6.30pm
Tuesday 7 th to Friday 10 th June	Mod Ionadail Leodhais
Thursday 16 th June	WIIGA DAY at Bayhead Pitch
Wednesday 22 nd June	Brake Kids Walk
Thurs 23 rd June	P7 Leavers' Lunch
Thurs 23 rd June	Staff v Pupils Football Match
Friday 24 th June	Beach Day
Monday 27 th June	Prizegiving
Monday 27 th June	P7 Leavers' Party 7pm
Tuesday 28 th June	School closes for summer holiday

NON-UNIFORM DATES FOR SESSION 2021-22

Friday 24th June 2022

Mairi Macleod, Head Teacher

