



CAMPUS NEWS

OCTOBER
EDITION

CAMPUS ACHIEVEMENTS AND UPDATES

STAFFING UPDATES

Nursery: We said goodbye to Mrs Heriot before the summer after 16 years in post. We welcomed Mrs Paterson and Ms Beaton to the team after the summer. Ms McLaughlin has also returned from maternity leave.

Primary: Mrs Stephen was appointed to a post at Caol Primary. Mrs Patterson joined the school as P5-7 teacher and Ms Horn has joined us in P1-2. We will have a new teacher starting in November following interviews this week.

High School: Mr Simpson retired before the summer after many years here. Dr Wilke and Mr McNeil also departed. Ms Nisbet has joined us in history and Mrs Edwards has joined the maths department. Mr Marsco will start in English after the holidays.

WELCOME!

TO OUR FIRST NEWSLETTER
FOR 2024/25. WE HOPE YOU
ENJOY!

NEXT TERM

PRIMARY PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT
WB. 4/11 OR WB. 11/11 - MORE INFO TO
FOLLOW

S1 PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT TUES
5/11

S5/6 PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT TUES
19/11

S4 PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT TUES
26/11

HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTMAS DANCE
THURS 19/12 TBC

School
App for
Parents

Seesaw

Please remember to download:
Seesaw for primary and nursery
updates.

School App for Parents for high
school information.

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HIGH SCHOOL PUPIL LEADERSHIP TEAM

Our school captains for this year are Archie Groundwater and Kate Ramsay.

Our house captains are as follows:

Callart: Isla Donald and Saul McKinley

Garbhein: Nic Brient and Lisa MacCorquodale

Leven: Paige Borland and Lucas Livornese

Mamore: Blake Willis and Molly McLachlan.

Archie, Nic, Isla, Lisa and Saul have visited S1-4 classes to speak about the role of year group representatives. They are now in the process of interviewing potential reps. Our first pupil council meeting will take place in November. Lisa and Lucas will represent young people in the village on the Kinlochleven Community Benefit Fund board.

PRIMARY LEADERSHIP TEAM

Callart: Logan Campbell

Garbhein: Casey Armour and Isla Allen

Leven: Findlay Lewis and Emilia Hart

Mamore: Owen Martin

Eco Rep: Poppy Bain

Primary house captains have met with Mrs Harley three times to discuss new resources for the playground as well as organising the publicity for the Macmillan event.



FILM G



Megan Dale from Astar Media visited school last week. She helped S2 Gaelic produce a short film for entry in the national Film G competition. The class will now edit their film before submitting it in December.

S3 RURAL SKILLS LITTER PICK

The S3 Rural Skills class went round the whole village prior to the Leven Trials, ensuring the village was clear of litter for the event.



WORD WARRIORS

Our high school Word Warriors have created a display of their Halloween reading picks.



SPORTS ROUND UP

P5-7, S1, S2 and S3 have been undertaking rugby training with Stevie McAleer from Lochaber RFC (Pictures of S1-3 sessions below) Emily Baskerville S4 has been training and playing with their under 16 girls team and loving it!

Jenna Byers S4 has been training and playing matches with girls Football in Fort William. Skye Slezas S2 will be competing in Scottish Schools swimming competition later in the month. Iain Boyle S4 continues to train and play Football with Inverness CT and had trials for the under 18 North of Scotland. An amazing achievement considering his age. Mia Jackson S2 continues to mountain bike with increasing success. Amie Baxter S5 is running dance class and is putting together performance for Dance Platform next month. Our S3 boys are getting a team together and are going to compete in the Robertson Cup for shinty next month .



SMALL SCHOOLS' FOOTBALL

EXCITING GLASGOW UNIVERSITY TRIP FOR HIGHER HUMAN BIOLOGY

In September, our higher pupils had an incredible opportunity to visit Glasgow University for a hands on bioinformatics workshop focused on the Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR). During the workshop, pupils actively participated in hands-on laboratory exercises that allowed them to see the PCR process in action, learning how scientists use this method to examine genetic material. Alongside practical lab experience, pupils attended guest lectures on DNA gene sequencing, where they explored cutting-edge technology used to decode genetic information.

MATHS WEEK ADVENTURE: A JOURNEY INTO NUMERACY!

From the 23rd to the 29th of September, our school took part in an exciting Maths Week filled with engaging numeracy challenges! We partnered with S1 to ignite a passion for numbers through fun and interactive tasks designed by the University of Edinburgh.

A huge round of applause goes to The Rumble Pack — comprised of Cody, Lucas, Jake, and Andrusha — who triumphed in every challenge! Their teamwork shone through as they completed tasks quickly and accurately, showcasing what can be achieved when collaboration is at the forefront.



Maths Week
Scotland

S3 BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - GUEST SPEAKER

Thank you to Carrie-Ann Leighton, owner of Handy Hub, for being the Guest Speaker for our S3 Business class last Monday. She came along to talk about her experience as an entrepreneur and she fully answered all of our questions. We all enjoyed her visit and appreciated her giving up her valuable time to give us a real insight into the world of work. If there are any business owner's or employees who would like to give a talk to our class, please do get in touch with school.

PRIMARY WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT FOR MAKING THEM A NEW MUD KITCHEN

GLENCOE FLOWER SHOW

Very well done to those who received a Highly Commended and Commended at the Flower Show in August.

Dylan Leighton P5 won best children's exhibit overall from all of the participating schools. A shield has been presented and will be displayed in the primary trophy cabinet.



MACMILLAN COFFEE AFTERNOON

Many thanks to everyone who supported our Macmillan coffee afternoon, from baking, making and to donating a large jar of skittles. Your support is very much appreciated. It was lovely to see so many local people attend and join us in school.

We have raised £250 so far!



BREAKFAST CLUB

The campus breakfast club is open every morning in the high school from just after 8am. Thanks to our partners at the Scottish Episcopal Church for running the club.



Musical theatre NPA (pictured above) runs every Wednesday from 4-5pm in the theatre

S4-6 went to the Careers Fayre at Lochaber High School on Thursday 5th September. They had the opportunity to talk to over 40 prospective employers, universities and colleges. Many thanks to DYW for organising this event.

Aquaculture Event - Lochaber High School

The aquaculture industry put on an engaging careers event that allowed our young people to sample the various aspects of the industry and its produce. Information was on hand from all sectors with opportunities to engage in; engineering challenges to studying the innards of an adult salmon, to minimising the environmental impacts of the industry and understanding the nutritional qualities of the produce. Our young people engaged and enjoyed the day, including the opportunities to sample different ways of cooking salmon and the nice lunch options provided by the Salmon Wagon on the way out. Big thanks to DYW for coordinating and MOWI and partners for presenting.



BAE SYSTEMS ROADSHOW

On Tuesday 1 October, P5-S2 attended a STEM workshop delivered by a team from the navy, RAF and BAE Systems. Pupils had the opportunity to participate in STEM activities and learn about careers in this field. Thanks to BAE Systems and DYW for organising the event.

PLACE PLAN

All primary and secondary pupils had an opportunity to share their views on the local place plan. Pupils were delighted to see their feedback in the draft plan and offered further comments for the final publication. Thanks to Nick Wright and Kinlochleven Community Trust for including us in the consultation.