



# CAMPUS NEWS

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## CAMPUS ACHIEVEMENTS AND UPDATES

### STAFFING UPDATES

#### Primary

In February, we said good bye to Miss Craggs, who moved back to the Isle of Lewis.

Mr Campbell is now teaching P4-7. We also welcomed Mrs Carrabine in March who covers CCR time for both classes and works with P4-7 on literacy and numeracy interventions.

#### Secondary

Mrs Garcet left at the end of January to join the maths department in Lochaber High School. Miss Innes has been helping to cover BGE classes and provide support with NS and Higher. Many thanks to Miss Innes for her help.

Thank you  
to all the pupils and staff who  
have submitted articles.

### NEXT TERM

*Monday 20 April*  
Campus reopens

*Monday 4 May*  
May holiday

*Thursday 7 May*  
In-service Day

*Thursday 2 July*  
Campus closes at 1.15 pm

#### Nursery.

*Wednesday 6 May*  
Safe, Strong and Free Workshop  
*Friday 29 May*  
Stay, Play and Learn

#### Nursery and Primary.

*Tuesday 28 April or Wednesday 30 April*  
Parental Engagement

*Wednesday 20 May*  
Sports Day

#### High School

*Tuesday 21 April*  
Leavers' assembly 2.30 pm  
Leavers' Dinner 5 pm Highland Getaway

*Wednesday 27 May*  
New Timetable

SS/6 Return to School



# NEWS FROM THE NURSERY

## News from Nursery

We've had a wonderful start to the year, continuing to build strong, caring relationships with one another through shared play, teamwork, and kindness. A highlight has been our visits to our friends at Ballachulish Nursery, where the children have enjoyed connecting, exploring, and learning together in a warm and welcoming environment. We also had great fun celebrating World Book Day, with everyone dressing up as their favourite characters and sharing stories that sparked imagination and creativity.



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# ART WORK





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## BAKING FOR TALK FOR WRITING





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## SCIENCE

### WATER CYCLE





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## P 4 / 5 NEWS

Will you visit **Bluebell** at Highland Wildlife Park this Easter?

Last year our P4/5s entered a competition to name a lynx at the Highland Wildlife park and they won.

This term, the wait was finally over as the pupils travelled to the Highland Wildlife Park near Aviemore to meet "Bluebell" in person. It was a fantastic day out.

With the Easter Holidays now here, we wonder how many of you will head to the park to visit Bluebell.





# PRIMARY NEWS

P4-7 NEWS

## Biodiversity in Focus

### P4-7 Meet Our Local Ranger



Our P4-7 pupils enjoyed a fascinating visit from a local Country Ranger this term. The workshop focused on biodiversity, teaching us how our unique local environment works and the different factors that can affect it.

It was a brilliant opportunity for our young learners to connect with nature and understand their role in protecting our stunning landscape.

## News from Secondary



# National 5 Drama

Rehearsals have been really hard work and required a lot of dedication. It has been a rollercoaster of emotions. We've been highly motivated one day, then on our worst days all we want to do is sleep. We get stressed about doing something wrong, or forgetting our lines. Our ability to work as a team has increased because we are having to make decisions together all the time. -

*Elle Henderson & Amira Szuryga*

Rehearsing for Sparkleshark has been a fun and new experience. Everyone in my group has been really great at developing ideas. Some of the challenges I have faced while rehearsing the chase scene at the end, it's a bit of a workout!

*Grace Gallagher*

I've learned to control my tone of voice and the physical scenes have been fun to rehearse.

*Logan Cameron*

Conner has been a good teammate, helping me with acting.

*Euan Allen*

It's a lot of work to design lighting by yourself. It's good lighting the stage but there is a lot of paperwork which is boring. I recommend it if you want to do something with lights when you are older. *Jackson Thomson*

# Higher

Our experience in Drama so far has been great. Today, we had the opportunity to learn and rehearse our plays outside. It takes a lot of effort, but it's very worth it by the end.

*Leah Willis & Callum MacMorran*

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# Advanced Higher Drama

Studying Advanced Higher has really given me the skills I need to try to become a professional actor. Every single one of my skills has improved alongside my confidence.

Rehearsals have been so fun!

*Lisa MacCorquodale*

Studying Advanced Higher Drama has given me the opportunity to broaden my skills and get out of my comfort zone.

*Saul McKinlay*

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# Alvance Trip

4 March 2026

A Group of 9 pupils, Ian Boyle, Reuben McKinlay, Blair MacMorran, Cameron MacLeod, Conner Brient, Samuel Melton, Logan Cameron and Shay Lyndsay, spent an interesting and insightful career's afternoon at Alvance.

They chatted to representatives of Jahama Estates, Fergusson Transport, BSW Timbers, Alvance and the UHI West College.

The pupils were engaged and interacted with companies and ended their afternoon with a factory tour. The pupils made a really good impression and the school has had really positive feedback about engagement, levels of interest and the overall good character of pupils.

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**18/19 March 2026**

**WOMENS' AID: A series of workshops were held with S1, S2, S3 and S5,S6 pupils - these were run by Brenda Middleton and Alice Curry, 2 respected and highly regarded members of our school partnership community.**

**This series of programs run annually and are aimed at raising awareness around domestic abuse and promoting the face of positive relationships - there is a progression in learning and all aspects are age and stage appropriate.**

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# Football Round Up

### **Kinloch Boys Held at Home**

On Thursday 19th of March, Kinlochleven S1-S3 boys played a football game against Ardnamurchan S1-S3 at the Astro. There were thirteen of us playing in a seven aside match 7 for each side with one person playing twice. In the first half of the game we went down 1-0. In the second half though all of us put on a great performance with Fergus MacDonald scoring a stunner equalizer putting it to 1-1. The game ended as a draw but all the boys did a brilliant job!

*Report by Lucas Allen*

**Wednesday 18th March - A Kinloch Girl's squad visited Ardnamurchan High. 11 girls made up the squad, with 3 Seniors - Akssa, Emily and Jenna - leading the team.**

**It was a resilient performance against a tough, and well organised, team.**

**The whole squad had a great time travelling there and back. They also managed to catch up with some friends from Ard.**

**GIRLS AWAY  
TO ARD**

**Unfortunately, the result was a defeat.**

*Report by E Marsco*

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# Lochaber Rugby Club

Well done Emily!



Girls team with Emily Baskerville as Captain, travelled to Deeside Rugby Club to take on Shetland RFC in the U16 Girls Caledonia Regional Quaich Final. The final score was 57-5 to Lochaber.



## Rape & Sexual Abuse Service, Highland

Two workshops held across all year groups, over two weeks. The S1-S3s had workshops on Power and Consent, and the S4-S6s covered Power and Understanding Sexual Violence.



The pupils were attentive and very engaged with the interactive pupil centred approach of the RASASH trainer, Emma Craig. Emma also held a lunchtime crafting drop in session - this was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed!

# RASASH offer a support line, emotional support and outreach support

RASASH can be contacted on  
[support@rasash.org.uk](mailto:support@rasash.org.uk);  
phone: 03330 066 909; text: 07451  
288 080.

Website: [www.rasash.org.uk](http://www.rasash.org.uk)



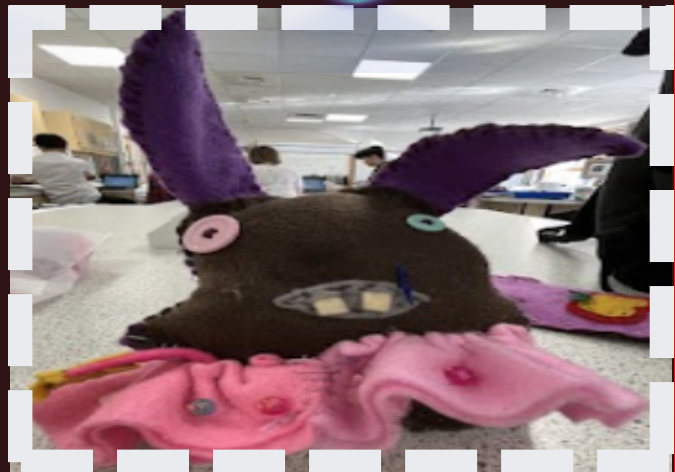


## S1 Ugly Doll Project

This term, S1 students have been working on an exciting Textile project called Ugly Dolls. They began by designing their own dolls and worked carefully to meet a detailed job specification.

Throughout the project, they learned a range of practical skills, including different types of stitching, sewing accuracy, pattern following, and attention to detail. By the end of the term, each student had created their very own unique ugly doll, demonstrating creativity, perseverance, and technical skill.

I made an ugly doll for my home economics project. I made a bunny-like creature who's half purple and half brown. It has floppy ears and button eyes, it also has a tutu. The most difficult part was probably sewing the face on, cause the teeth were kinda small and hard to make. I made it successful by planning how I wanted it to look, then I cut the shape out of felt. I chose a face design and sewed it on and then started sewing the ears together, and then the body. I used the blanket stitch for the ears and body. I stuffed the body, and not the ears, then I sewed the ears onto the body.



From this project I have learned how to make a tutu, learned how to make my stitching a lot neater.  
*Casey Armour*



## S2 Cushion Project

This term, S2 students have been working on a Textile project focused on designing and creating their own cushions. They explored different design ideas, selected fabrics, and worked to a clear job specification.

During the project, students developed a range of skills, including sewing techniques, accurate measuring and cutting, pattern creation, and attention to detail. By the end of the term, each student had produced a finished cushion, showcasing their creativity, practical skills, and ability to follow a structured design process.

## Home Economics

My cushion design is a rocket flying through space with the moon, an asteroid and some stars in the background. What inspired me to choose this design was that soon the Artemis 2 rocket will be launching. This is a big moment because we haven't gone to space for over 40 years. The colours I chose fit the theme of space because the rocket colours of white and orange are the colour of the real Artemis 2 rocket.



My original design looks pretty much identical to my finished cushion, which I am happy about. I made a few mistakes like on the blanket stitch, I struggled to get it to work. If I was to start again I would probably use some harder stitches and do some more stars.

The most difficult part was probably the french knot stars but now after I have done them so much I can do them pretty easily now. At the start I was really struggling to tie the knots at the end of the thread and the only stitch I was capable of was the running stitch. Now though I can do almost every stitch and tie the knots. I showed resilience in this task. *Lucas Allen*

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# Home Economics

This term, S3 Practical Cookery students had the opportunity to visit two local hotels, the **Isle of Glencoe** and the **Ballachullish Hotel**.



## S3 Practical Cookery

These visits allowed students to experience a professional industrial kitchen, as well as gain insight into hospitality and front-of-house operations.

During the visits, they observed real-world cooking processes, learned about teamwork and time management in a busy kitchen environment, and developed an understanding of customer service skills. This experience helped students build practical knowledge, confidence, and an appreciation for the standards and skills required in the hospitality industry.





# S2 Business Team 190 miles and a very busy day in Inverness

Our S2 Business Administration class have been learning about the **Circular Economy** this term, through Young Enterprise, along with 19 other schools and 1545 pupils. They pitched their business ideas in their groups to our in-house judge, Mr MacKenzie.



Judging was difficult because all the teams had fantastic ideas. However, “Sew What” was chosen and 4 of our winning team headed to Inverness to present at the Circular Economy showcase.

Ellie - Managing Director

Cody - Marketing Director

Isla - Market Research Director

Caleb - Finance Director

Hector & Jake - Creative Directors

Even with traffic delays, this group didn't let the pressure get to them. They walked straight into their presentation at the Life Sciences Innovation Centre and exceeded all expectations, by delivering a fluent, confident pitch and answering questions confidently and maturely.