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**Creative, Active, Respectful, Resilient**

Thanks for taking the time to read our term 2 newsletter!

*Tapadh leibh airson ar litir-naidheachd a leughadh!*

### **Eigg Primary School presents - "The Fleece Police"**

Thank you to everyone who helped make our school show such a great occasion. This is always one of the highlights of the year for the school! We are looking forward to sharing a recording of the show with everyone.



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## Christmas Craft Fair

We were proud to raise £391 for our chosen charities. We wanted to thank everyone on the island for their support with the Tombola!



We worked hard with Hilda and Catherine to decorate the hall with paper chains, which is great for our dexterity and fine motor skills!



## Our Reading Schools Journey

We have made great progress towards becoming an accredited "Reading School". We wanted to thank the Eigg community for helping us to complete our reading challenge. With your help - we have reached our target of reading 100 books for enjoyment and are targeting 200 or even, 300 by the end of the year.

We have created a new recommendations table and would love it if people in Eigg could visit to see and read our recommendations. When we find a book we want to share with others, we put it on our picture!

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You might also spot us wearing one of these "ask us what we are reading lanyards". This means that we have a book we want to share! If you look at the back, it will tell you how to ask this in Gaelic.



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Our Reading School committee (all pupils) submitted an application for funding to develop our library and received £250 for their amazing application. This has been greatly supported by Mallaig Book Shop - who also donated an incredibly generous £200 to the school.

We have been expanding the books in our library to reflect diverse cultures and family makeups. This month we have read and discussed "And Tango makes Three" which is the true story of a male penguin pair who adopted and raised their own chick called Tango. We also recently enjoyed the adventures of the "Pirate Mums". We wanted to recommend these books to the island - especially for younger children.



### Rights Respecting Schools

We have worked hard this year to understand children's rights and to advocate for the rights of others. We have focused on Article 24 - the right to healthcare and a healthy environment. We enjoyed taking part in a special assembly on COP 30, before Camille gave us a tour of the church exhibition. We left messages of support for our friends, the Wampis Nation, for their efforts to protect their land and fight illegal deforestation.

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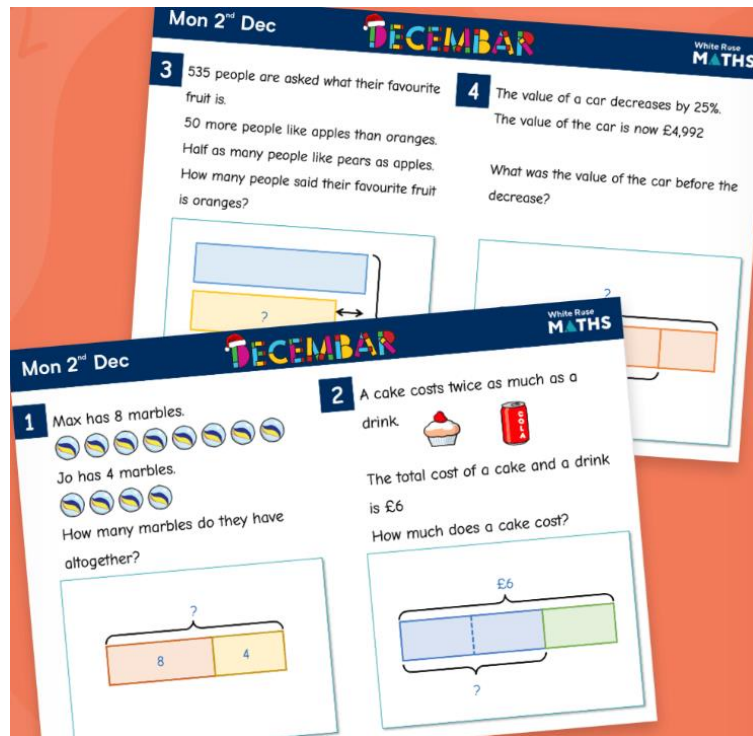


## DecemBAR

This month, we are taking part in the White Rose Maths DecemBAR challenge - where we take on a different maths challenge each day - and solve it with a bar model.

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## Halloween Fun

We enjoyed a terrifying Halloween Disco at the school and an atmospheric guising session around Cleadale. Thank you to everyone who welcomed the children and went above and beyond for making their night special and spooky, in equal measure.



## Highland Hoolie

We were extremely proud of all our entries to the Mallaig Book Festival "Highland Hoolie" art and literacy competitions. We were so pleased to see two of our learners recognised with a prize, with one child achieving first place in the P1-3 writing prize and another achieving joint first in the P4-7 art prize and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the creative writing competition. You can see their prizewinning pieces below.



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25.9.25

Highland Hoolie



Sun set is bright

Under moss, eodd steds grow  
N ut trees grow by the

orange and yellow sun:loch  
soxes are running

The forest is tall.  
H appiness

E<sup>a</sup>GLAS swi h o over the Loch

L o c h s are blue.

otter s Play in the water  
sue birds sit in nets.

High mountains



**Caledonia, by [REDACTED] (P6, Eigg Primary School)**

**When the sun rises over the hill and the Jacobite rides over the  
Glenfinnan Viaduct, a strong, proud stag stands to greet the sun  
shining on his stern face. A blazing fire in his eyes standing over  
the historic place many wars where fought. Sacrifice, love, hate,  
betrayal and victory antlers like an old willow tree. Standing  
firm and bold, a golden eagle cries out into the sun almost like  
the bird was going to fly straight into the burning ball of fire.  
Underground the cry of the majestic gull wakes up a family of  
rats. The rats burrow underneath the hill all the way to Oban and  
farther, Aberdeen. When one rat tunnelled a wee bit to west and  
splash, though not good for the rat who met his untimely demise.  
The sudden tremble in the ground calls upon the hairy haggis.  
Jump out and go on a wander, though a more deadly predator  
comes, the humble human waiting for a Burns dinner.**



### **Junior Leaders with High Life Highland**

Our Senior Pupils have made great progress towards achieving their High Life Highland Junior Leaders Award - which celebrates and develops important leadership skills.

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One pupil has run a successful lunch time tennis club - which is developing our skills and helping us to showcase our school value of keeping **active**. Even in the wettest of weather!



Our senior pupils also supported and held stalls at the Christmas craft fair, with one supporting their families' fantastic stall, having put lots of time and effort into creating amazing soaps and more to sell. Another pupil ran their own comic book stall - with 50% of the money raised going to the Unicef Ukraine Relief Fund.





One of our senior pupils has been running an after-school book club for months - with a different theme and focus each week. This club has been a huge success, thanks to their hard work and dedication!



This club has been supported by our librarians in training, who helped us to stamp and categorise books we have been donated!



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To make sure that everyone has equal access to quality storytelling - we have invested in a YOTO player - which plays us high quality audiobooks, without having to rely on a tablet screen. You are very welcome to come and visit us to try it out. Our younger learners would love to show it to you.



### Run Club

Run club with Katrin has gone from strength to strength and there has been a marked increase in children's stamina. We have enjoyed running from the school to the top of the Bealach and also to the new houses at Grianan. Thank you, Katrin!



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## Monthly Meals

We have continued our tradition of cooking a monthly meal. This year we have had amazing support from Agnes, who has come in to help lead these sessions. Our last meal was a tasty cottage pie, made with lots of veg and lentils. This was a big hit! Next we will be planning and cooking a Christmas meal with lots of maths skills involved to plan and prepare.



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### Community Meals

We love the community meal as it helps us combine two of our favourite things at Eigg Primary School - being active in our community and eating delicious food. Thank you to Eilidh and Brendan who have supported us to develop our skills - taking orders, washing dishes, clearing tables, socialising with the island babies and helping welcome everyone to these amazing lunches. Our Junior Leaders have begun training some of their slightly younger friends to help too!



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## Maths Week Scotland - Wild Maths

We are so grateful to the National Museum of Scotland's - Maths Week Scotland Fund who are helping us to undertake exciting maths related projects - their funding has allowed us to purchase this outdoor water cascade - which will help us with our STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) learning outdoors. We are busy planning an exciting joint project with Muck Primary to survey and measure litter on our beaches, with a trip planned over to Muck. This is a rich context for learning about surveying, grid references, co-ordinates, measure and data handling and sharing.



## What's the difference between me and you?

We have been learning about Article 4 - the Right to no Discrimination. This was helped greatly by Annabelle who brought us in this lovely text to read to our P1-3 pupils, who identified the following message:

"Everyone is different and that is ok. It is actually good".



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## **French with Camille**

Merci beaucoup, Camille! We are so lucky to have Camille's support for our P5-7 learners to develop their French Skills. Camille has been re-enforcing our knowledge of numbers, colours and introductions and questions this term, through exciting and interactive games based sessions.



## **Bookbug and Nursery Play Sessions**

Jenna has been welcoming the youngest members of team Eigg Primary to the school every Wednesday morning. We just love having the three wee ones at the school and they clearly feel very at home and happy playing with their favourite toys in the nursery. Thank you Jenna and also to Anna and Jacqueline for these Wednesday sessions, which are always a weekly highlight!



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**Le dùrachd / All the best**

**All staff and pupils at Eigg Primary School and Nursery**

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