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Creative, Active, Respectful, Resilient

Thanks for taking the time to read our term 1 newsletter!

Tapadh leibh airson ar litir-naidheachd a leughadh!

Rights Respecting Schools

We have made understanding our rights and how to advocate for them, for ourselves and others one of our main focuses this year. We have made these posters so that everyone in Eigg can understand our **ABCDE of Rights**:



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A is for ALL CHILDREN - All children have rights



B is for FROM BIRTH - You gain your rights the moment you are born



C is for CAN NOT - Because your rights CAN NOT be taken away



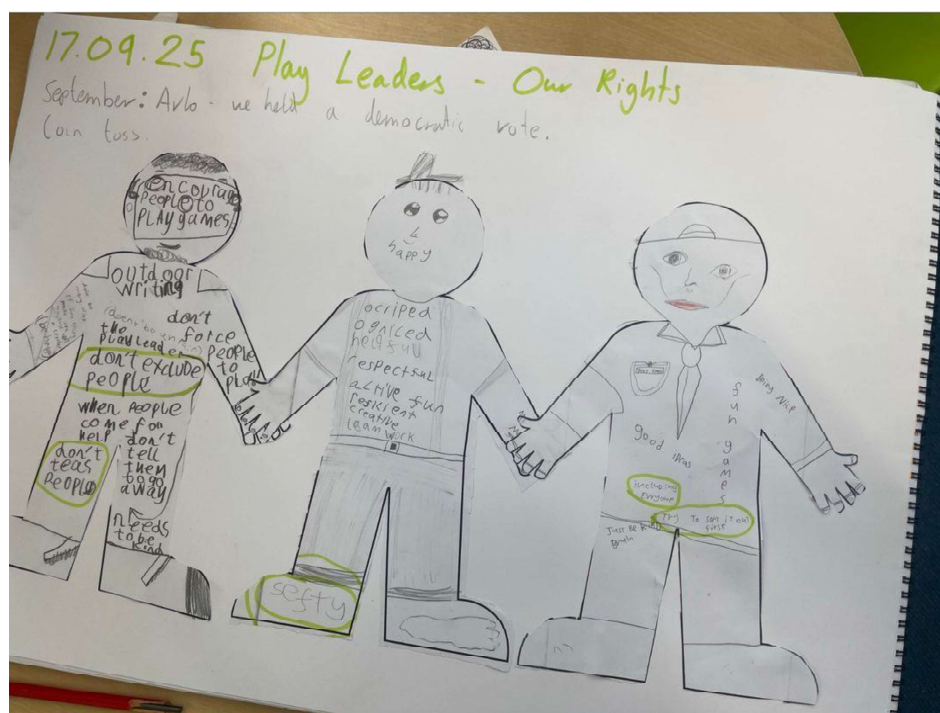
D is for DO NOT - Your rights do not have to be earned



E is for Equal - Because all rights are equal



To help us guarantee Article 31 (the right to play) and Article 19 (the right to be safe) - we have decided to elect a monthly play leader for our playground. They have done an amazing job so far, supporting play and helping pupils to solve any disagreements and misunderstandings themselves.



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Our Adopted Beaches

Last year, we decided to adopt the beaches at Kildonan as our own - to keep them as plastic free as possible. We worked with Camille to remove 8 full feed bags of plastic that could otherwise have ended up back in the ocean. We have committed to looking after these beaches as part of our Eco Schools Award.



Monthly Meals with Agnes and our Orchard Visit

The wind has been hard on our trees this year - but we still managed a good crop of eating and cooking apples - which we used (along with potatoes we grew ourselves) for our monthly meal.



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We were delighted to welcome Agnes in, who led the cooking sessions - cooking a delicious Parsnip, Egg Primary Potato and Orchard apple soup. Not many of us had had apples in a soup before!



Mr MacInnes accidentally put Cumin on the apples instead of cinnamon (should have worn his glasses) but thankfully Agnes saved the day - by rinsing the apples in a colander.

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Meet our Adopted Mule



We are looking forward to sharing our exciting charity fundraising plans for you. We wanted to adopt an animal from Willow's Animal Sanctuary. This is Skye the Mule, and we are raising money to sponsor her. We chose to sponsor a mule because we couldn't decide between sponsoring a horse or a donkey!

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Outdoor Learning - Maths Week Scotland - Wild Maths Day and our Dinosaur Hunt

No matter the weather, we take our learning outdoors every week. We are very interested in dinosaurs, and we enjoyed coming up with strategies to free these fossils that were trapped in ice.



For Maths Week Scotland's Wild Maths Day, we undertake four wild maths challenges involving making 100 with natural objects, ordering sticks, making giant lines to measure and shape scavenger hunts.





Pupil Tennis Club

As part of their Junior Leader award, one of our P6 pupils is running their own weekly tennis club. They also wanted to give credit to their friends who have been a brilliant help. We have purchased new tennis gear using the money the pupils raised for sports equipment and donated to the school.



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Pupil Book Club

Another P6 pupil working toward their Junior Leader award is leading an amazing book club. Every week there is a different theme - food, animals etc. with a selection of books made available. Our P6 reader has been prepared well organised relaxed spaces and has even created a book for reviews in our library.



Helen McCrorie - Sound Making and Animation Workshop

We were so lucky to welcome film maker Helen McCrorie to our school who helped us create interesting sounds to accompany a film and even helped us create our own class piece of animation.



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Highlife Highland - Pickleball

Thank you again to Pam from High Life Highland, who has donated a pickleball set to the island. We all learned how to play the game with Pam and it has been a great feature of our PE lessons. Anyone on the island is welcome to use our set - it is a great game for the winter.



Ewen's Room

Jennie from the charity Ewen's Room has been helping us all find interesting new ways to talk about, share and regulate our emotions. We can't wait to welcome her back next term.



Our Project to achieve the "Reading Schools" award.

We have decided that reading is so important to us at Eigg Primary School, that we want to achieve a Reading Schools Award. We held a special "loving literacy" community assembly. Our pupils laid out their favourite book recommendations so that they could "drop everything and read" with our visitors.



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We held a special book recommendations assembly with our good friends in Muck and our new friends in Raasay and we purchased all of the books they recommended for our own library. You can see our recommendations here too:



Colm - Goosebumps. It's quite scary for younger kids, probably for like 9 - 15. I'm reading the Hobbit by JRR Tolkien at home.

Violet - Natural History of Mythical Creatures & NH of Dragons. Really pretty drawings & would really recommend, really detailed and one book tells you how to ride a dragon and bond with it.

Arlo - Loki - a Bad God's Guide to Making Enemies. It's about when Loki is banished to Earth and how he gets out of problems but also gets into them. Would definitely recommend!

Oran - Two types of comics - Phoenix. I like Gorbora, he's a chef, a master of cooking and wants to be the mightiest chef in the universe. He's "grate". And the Beano, which you'll be more familiar with, this is the Halloween edition.

Ness - The Beano. It's really funny and lots of funny pictures. My favourite is Minnie the Minx.

Ellis - Tin Tin - The Black Island. I really like it and would recommend it. There are LOTS of Tintin books, 24 books in total.

Aila - Isadora Moon - I read this at home with mum and dad, and there are also books in the school.

Jess - Hello Fossils & Shells. I found a pink shell at the pier beach. It tells you about all the different shells and fossils you can find.

Ross - How to Spot Dinosaurs; helps you spot stuff in real life. I like the Loch Ness Monster, I've seen it in books.

Mr Merrick - Goodnight Peter. I read this to my little girl. It's about a wee boy who shares a room with 3 little sisters but he's getting too big; he spends the night in his new room but gets lonely and scared. He tells his mum he feels inbetweenish; too big for the shared room, too small for the big room so mum makes him a teddy to take with him. The message is lovely and good for anyone trying something new.

Jenna - Lord of the Rings. Full of adventure, world building, intriguing characters and a lovely storyline about friendship. Tolkien created whole languages for the books, and there are so many different stories to take from them. Goosebumps! Loved them as a child, loved being spooked and really enjoyed the "choose your own adventure" stories.

Mr MacInnes - Calvin & Hobbes. IT features a young boy and his (possibly imaginary) teddy tiger. Reminds him of being happy, cosy, safe and content. Read it with my best friend when we were younger, and it's a book I like to read when I need a bit of comfort. Would recommend to everyone and think that the children in Eigg, Muck and Raasay would really like it.



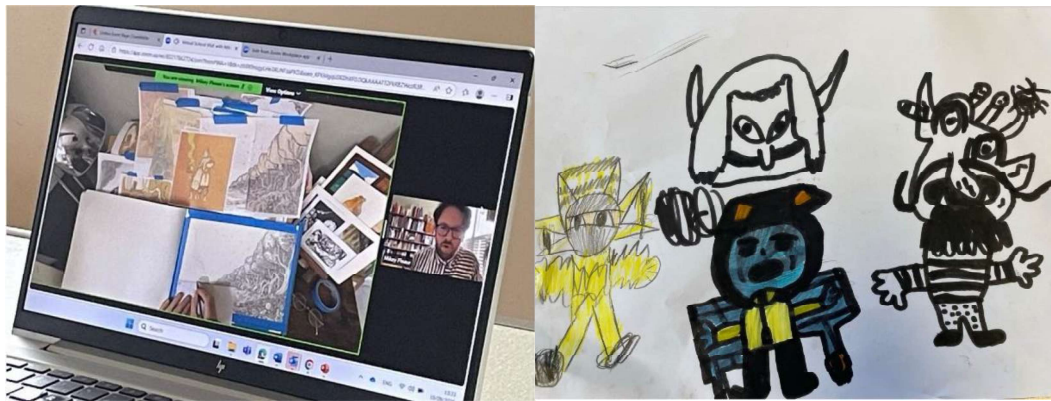
The youngest members of Team Eigg have been joining us for messy play and book bug sessions with Jenna. It is very exciting but also tiring, as you can see from the photos:

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Our P4-7 pupils met Author and Animator Mikey Please, who told them about his path to writing and animating his own stories - he even helped us draw his characters and create our own. We liked his books so much that we bought them for our own library.

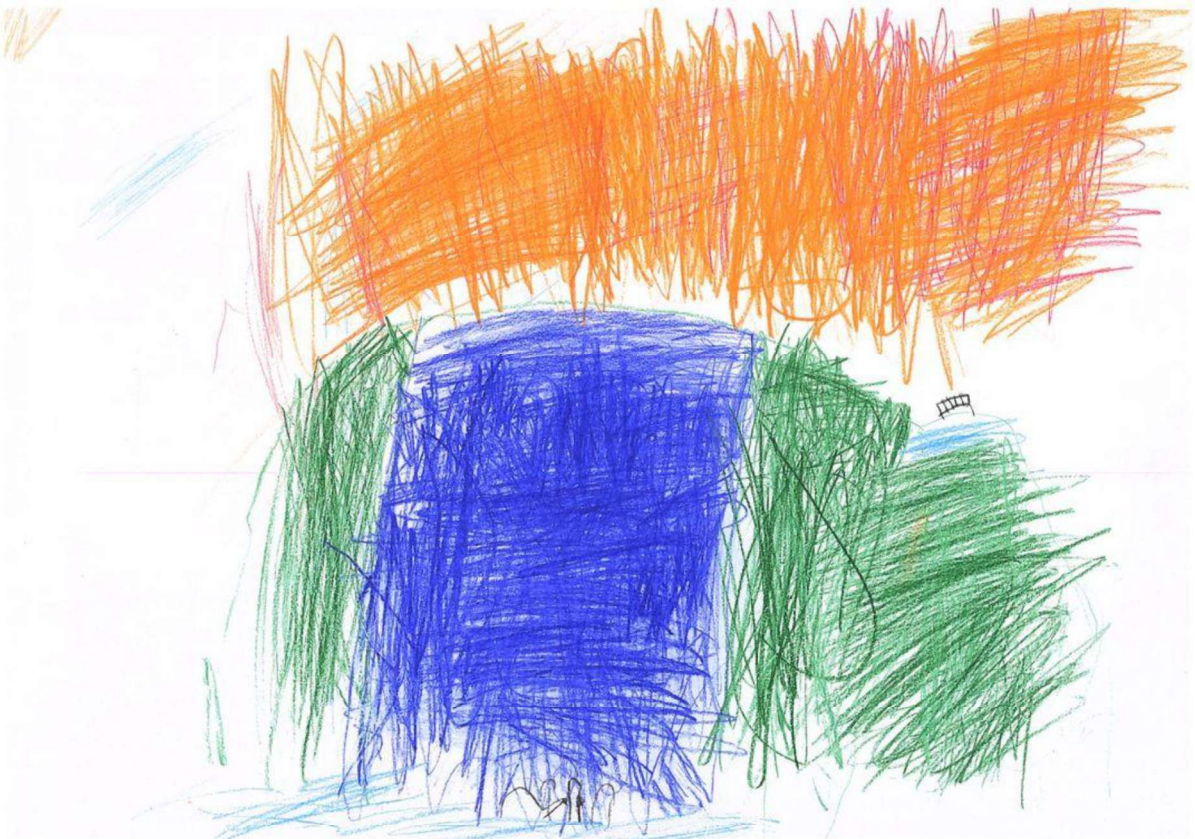


A challenge for everyone in Eigg: We love finding interesting places to read. Can you send us a photo of you reading somewhere interesting or new? Thank you!



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Lastly, we hope you enjoy our entries for this year's Mallaig Area Highland Hoolie art competition. Everyone has created a design to be proud of on the theme of landscape.



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Le dùrachd / All the best

All staff and pupils at Eigg Primary School and Nursery

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