Orphir Community School Newsletter



23 November 2021

<u>CERTIFICATES</u>						
Confident Individual (CI), Effective Contributor (EC),						
Responsible Citizen (RC) or Successful Learner (SL)						
Wolfy Easener	CI	Always enthusiastic in taking part in activities, even new ones like tag rugby				
Skyla Sandison	CI	Showing great commitment and positive attitude to learning guitar				
Erland Sclater	CI	Having a great attitude and having a go at tricky Maths				
Sahana Swan	EC	Showing respect in Music with her fantastic listening				
Danny Watson	EC	Being an excellent 'coach' in PE and tag rugby when he couldn't take part				
Elsa Bremner	RC	Caring for her classmates when they are upset				
Magnus Bruce	SL	Showing great commitment and positive attitude to learning the fiddle				
Rianne Flett	SL	Producing a super extended piece of writing with great drama in it				
Jamie Gibbon	SL	Showing great focus in our Maths lesson on adding				
Aimee Leslie	SL	Showing great commitment and positive attitude to learning the fiddle				
Harry Swan	SL	Using his knowledge on sentence rules to write really accurate sentences				
Molly Wilson	SL	Showing great focus in her discursive writing and structuring it well				



Head Teacher's Headline

Hold on to your hats as the wind has certainly made itself known lately!

Thank you all for such positive and warm feedback from the telephone consultations last week. Working together and having open and honest lines of communication is the best way to ensure the best outcomes for the children in our school.

Well done to the children in the P1-3 and P4-7 classes who have been embracing some tag rugby coaching in school recently as part of a 3 week taster session delivered by Orkney Rugby Club. We have some budding talent in the making for sure!

Active Schools Orkney are also currently working with both classes and we welcome their input with the peedie class on playground game and with the big class on sports leadership.

Staffing

Miss Suttie has been successful in securing a new post with Active Schools Orkney so will be resigning from her post as class teacher of the Flotta class.

We thank her for her contributions in Flotta and Orphir and wish her well with her new adventure. The post of Principal Teacher has been advertised and we are currently going through the recruitment process for her replacement and will keep you updated in due course.



Help Please - Vision, Values & Aims

Last call for anyone wishing to have some input on reviewing our Vision, Values and Aims. Please contact Shona at the school office if you are interested.

BBC Children in Need WOW! WOW! WOW!



£645.16

The P4-7 class have raised a stonking amount for BBC Children in Need. They organised a bring and buy type sale in school for the children only and a pyjama day for Friday 19 November. They decided on a JustGiving fundraising page and raffle too reaching a grand total of £645.16 for BBC Children in Need. A huge thank you must go our school community and the wider Orphir community for supporting this extremely worthy cause.

Four Seasons In One Day

As winter looms, please remember to send your child/children to school with appropriate clothing and footwear so they are fully equipped to deal with whatever mother nature throws at them. It might be prudent to make sure they have a spare set of clothes in their bag in case of any accidents or muddy moments.

We also insist that all children wear their hi-viz vests correctly upon coming to and leaving school.





Finally from me...

Keep wrapped up, stay warm, look out for each other and keep COVID at bay.

Kind regards as always,



Grant Thomson
Linked Head Teacher
Orphir, Flotta & Stenness Community Schools











Date	Event	Notes
Thursday 2 nd December	Flouride Varnish	
Friday 10 th December	School Christmas Lunch	Eat your brussels!
Tuesday 21st December	Last day of Term 2	
Wednesday 5 th January	First day of Term 3	
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School Term Dates 2021-2022. All dates are inclusive.				
Term 2	Monday 25 October to Tuesday 21 December			
Christmas holidays	Wednesday 22 December to Tuesday 04 January			
Term 3	Wednesday 05 January to Friday 01 April			
Schools closed	Friday 11 February to Tuesday 15 February			
Spring holidays	Monday 04 April to Monday 18 April (Easter Monday 18 April)			
Term 4	Tuesday 19 April to Thursday 30 June			
Schools closed	Monday 02 May (May Day Holiday)			
Schools closed	Monday 06 June			

Print me out and put me on the fridge!

Term 2 Timetable - Do remember, you can contact me at any school.

My timetable for term 2 shall be as follows:

	AM	PM	Orphir contact details					
Monday	Orphir	Stenness	811 265					
Tuesday	Stenness	Stenness	admin.orphir@glow.orkneyschools.org.uk					
Wednesday	Stenness	Orphir	Stenness contact details					
Thursday	Orphir	Orphir	850 212					
Friday	Orphir	Stenness	admin.stenness@glow.orkneyschools.org.uk					

Orphir Community School Vision

Our children are the heart of our school and our school is the heart of our community



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Orphir Community School Values Share Our Care Values Respect

Orphir Community School Aims

Give each pupil the opportunities to fulfile their potential as lifelong learners by providing them with:

- a safe environment which meets the emotional, physical and social needs of all members of the school community
- a balanced, holistic and progressive curriculum
- dynamic learning experiences which make provision for individual's learning styles
- the skills and confidence to access and process knowledge
- literacy and numeracy knowledge
- the values, skills and knowledge to be responsible citizens and effective contributors
- staff who are committed to, and supported in, striving for excellence

BBC Children in Need 2021



