

Quarterly magazine curated by and for the Kyle of Sutherland children



With nicer weather and the end of the school year fast approaching, our schools had a fourth term filled with outdoor activities and outings.

Bonar Bridge Primary School Girls Football team took part in a competition in Alness. The girls showed great effort winning 4th place against the bigger schools. They also had time to take a picture with Luke Stoltman!

Out and about!



Gledfield Primary School pupils were invited to attend the Bradbury Centre in Bonar Bridge to take part in a craft session.



Rosehall Primary School kids were delighted to buddy up with our friends from Lairg Primary School for their school trip to Landmark.

Gledfield Primary



Pond Dipping

Pupils took part in the project “Freshwater” at the Gearrhoille Woods, with Marcia, Countryside Ranger. The children met her for pond dipping to trawl the shallows to capture whatever species were there. They were delighted with their haul and worked with Marcia to identify the creatures - tadpoles, boatmen, pond skaters... “I really enjoyed using the net to catch the animals. We had to be very careful and put them back gently.” Another child said, “We had to use a poster to see what the bugs were.”

Crafts at the Bradbury Centre

The P4-P7 class were invited to attend the Bradbury Centre in Bonar Bridge to take part in a craft session with the clients. The children really enjoyed the intergenerational activities provided and were delighted to be invited back for another visit in June.

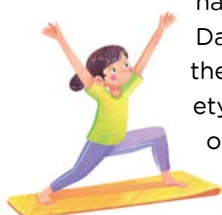


Buddies

Nursery were extremely excited to meet their Buddies this term and have enjoyed several transition activities with them. We would like to wish our two Primary 7 pupils - Grace and Lilly - the very best of luck as they move on to secondary school. We will miss them very much!

Health & Wellbeing Week

Gledfield Primary and Nursery were joined by Edderton Primary for a week full of activities to focus on, and improve our health and wellbeing. Our first visitor was Pauline from The Hub who made smoothies with all the children. Then they had a yoga session led by Gill Davey. Over the next few days, the children took part in a variety of activities: potted sports, outdoor learning session making dream catchers, football training, learning life-saving CPR skills with Highlife Highland, badminton, rugby... as well as devouring a delicious picnic lunch!



Keeping ourselves safe

The children at Gledfield Nursery have been learning about road safety. They used what they had learned to practise crossing the road safely - wearing high-viz vests, stopping at the edge of the pavement, looking left and right as well as listening for traffic.



Bonar Bridge Primary



Football Tournament 2024

We took part in the football tournament held in Alness and our Boys team won the Small School's shield again this year!



Balance bikes

As part of Health Week, nursery did a sponsored scoot round the school green on their balance bikes.



Trip to Landmark

Thanks to Migdale Smolts who made a substantial donation to school funds, Bonar Primary pupils went on their summer trip to Landmark. They were lucky to have picked a quiet day and pretty much had the whole place to themselves. P1,2,3 can be seen here enjoying the Butterfly House, Dinosaur Kingdom and optical illusions. It was a brilliant day and the children can't wait to go again!

Summer Picnic

Bonar Bridge Primary and Nursery enjoyed their Summer Picnic on Thursday 30th May and were treated to glorious sunshine and a takeaway lunch from cooks Janice and Gail. The children all gathered together on the school football pitch and enjoyed their lunch all together followed by a longer play.



Rosehall Primary



Tesco grant

We were thrilled to receive a £1,000 grant from the Tesco Stronger Starts scheme, which will allow us to launch our very own Healthy Snack Shop, run by pupils and open every morning. The excitement reached new heights when Ceri Cattanach, Community Champion at Tain Tesco, visited our school to present the cheque, a moment enjoyed by all.

Hedgerow Jelly Project

Building on our eco-school ethos, we were successful in applying for the Croft Woodland Project's Hedgerow Jelly Project, a collaboration with Scottish Natural Heritage and the Scottish Crofting Federation. As part of the project, we received young fruiting hedgerow plants and jelly-making recipes, and proudly planted our hedge in the school grounds, even though the midges did their best to put us off. It will be wonderful to watch it mature over the years and harvest the fruit.



Measuring and Maths

Our exploration of forces in science has been a fascinating journey, uncovering the intricacies of friction and magnetism. We've also delved into the world of measurement through our maths lessons, gaining practical skills and learning at the same time.



Sport

We've been improving our football and fly-fishing skills. Our weekly casting sessions with Joey from Lower Oykel Fishing and East Sutherland Active Schools are giving us valuable skills that we'll be able to put into practice during our upcoming visit to Davochfin Farm. As part of their schools' programme, Ross County Football has been working with Rosehall and Lairg Primary, providing weekly football training sessions on the pitch at Lairg.



Microbit

We took part in the BBC's micro-bit project this term and have been learning about input sensors, variables, and logic to make computer simulations of games, like rock, paper, scissors. We also learnt about introducing variables to track step count and using the accelerometer input.