



ARD SGOIL A'PHLUIC/PLOCKTON HIGH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER—Week ending Friday 25th November

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was a great pleasure to welcome parents and carers of S1 pupils in to school for their parents' meetings on Tuesday night. Attendance was at 75% and it was so good to meet with you and talk about how your children are getting on in school.

Senior pupils in S4 – S6 will be receiving full reports this week, including their progress in relation to their targets and written comments from their teachers. The pupils read their own reports in school and then bring them home to parents and carers so that you have an update on their progress. Please remind your child to hand over their report to you then complete and return the acknowledgement slip with any comments you have. If you have not received a report by Friday the 2nd of December then please contact the school and we will provide another copy. Please remember that you can make contact with the school at any time if there are matters you need to raise or if you have feedback or concerns about your child's progress.

There is still time to submit your views and ideas about the future direction of education nationally. The National Discussion on Scottish Education is running until the 5th of December and you can find out all the information about contributing your thoughts and ideas on this link: <https://consult.gov.scot/national-discussion-scottish-education/>

A team of our shinty players travelled to Ardnamurchan for the Donella Crawford Cup competition last Wednesday and just narrowly missed out on a place in the semi-finals. Congratulations to them on their hard work and perseverance and thanks, as always, to colleagues who make sure pupils have opportunities to travel and play. Our football players were also in action this week, travelling to Elgin to play in a regional competition. Their teacher was very impressed with how much they enjoyed the opportunity and with their ability to keep striving even when the scores weren't going their way.

If you are planning to shop locally for Christmas this year then we can help! Our Christmas Fayre takes place in school this Saturday the 3rd of December from 11am to 3pm. It is our main fundraiser of the year and we hope to see many of you there. There is another date for your diaries next weekend: the very welcome return of the Sgoil Chiùil Na Gàidhealtachd Christmas Concert in Plockton High School which takes place on the 10th of December at 7.30pm. Entry is by donation and it promises to be a great night of music.

All in all, it is starting to look a little like Christmas...

I hope you have a good weekend.

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Girls Shinty: 2 teams traveled to Ardnamurchan for the Donella Crawford 6s Tournament. Both teams performed exceptionally well on the day against older and stronger players from Inverness and Ardnamurchan and the 1st team were unlucky to lose out on a semi-final place by one point!

Both teams were made up of young players who are still gaining experience so the future looks extremely positive. Well done to: Poppy Glasgow (player of the tournament for Team A), Lexie MacKenzie, Niamh Morrison, Isabella Langlands, Gemma MacLeod, Mairi Finlayson, Summer MacLennan (player of the tournament for Team B), Mia Quigley, Abigail MacRae, Lexi MacDiarmid, Poppy MacKenzie, Seona MacLean.



S1/2 Girls football: The team competed in the Regional round of the SPAR SFA Schools Cup at Elgin City's ground. The girls again faced more experienced teams and the level of football was a very high standard - however, they all enjoyed the day and gained good experience for future competitions. With more training, this group will continue improving. Well done to: Lexi Cox, Mairi Finlayson, Abigail MacRae, Poppy MacKenzie, Leah Stewart, Kelly Lin, Maria Stewart, Nell MacDonald, Emily Campbell.



**The National Centre of Excellence
in Traditional Music**

Christmas Concert

and launch of the new CD
Back In The Room

Plockton High School

Saturday 10 December 7.30pm

Entry by donation

Reservations: rhona.sharp@highland.gov.uk Tel: 01599 544706



PLOCKTON
High School
CHRISTMAS FAYRE



LIVE MUSIC
HOT FOOD
GRAND RAFFLE
INDOOR STALLS
KIDS ZONE



SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER

FREE ENTRY

11am - 3pm



By Arran Edwards, S3



By Dasha Griffiths, S3



By Olly Spence, S2



Artwork by various S3 Pupils

How do we get involved in the National Discussion as Parent Councils and also individuals?

Please visit the webpage, where you will find further information.

<https://consult.gov.scot/learning-directorate/discussion-guide-for-parents-and-carers/>

There are number of **set questions** that Parents & Carers are being asked and the attached documentation has clear information that shares these questions and supports these discussions with background information. The National Discussion **closes on 5th December 2022.**

It has been made very clear that submissions to these questions can be made through the following methods:

1. *This web form is the easiest and most thorough way for one person to feedback the points raised by their group's discussion. The form also offers you the chance to upload anything that might help describe the content of your group's discussions (e.g. videos, photos, mind maps, drawings etc). [online feedback form](#).*
2. *Please know, that if there are people in your group who want to submit their own personal thoughts please encourage them to [use the online survey](#) directly.*
3. *If neither of these options fit your group's needs, you can instead email a summary to nationaldiscussioneducation@gov.scot or add content to Instagram or Twitter with using #TalkScottishEducation. Please remember to include a rough description of who was in your group and how many people took part.*