



June 2024

SUMMER NEWSLETTER

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RECENT SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS

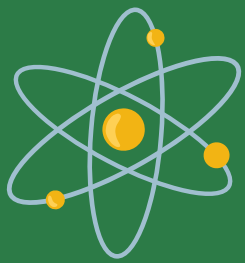
A VERY BUSY JUNE!

The month of June has been extremely busy in the life of the Providence School Community! We enjoyed a busy and encouraging Light Lunch fundraiser, a very well attended prayer meeting, an overnight trip to Scaladale with family BBQ, our school play and a very popular Clothing Sale fundraiser.



CLOTHING SALE - SPECIAL THANKS

We recently held a Clothes Sale to raise funds for our school. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the Bridge Centre - we could not have done it without them. We would also like to note our sincere thanks to Influence, NO10RW, Sgoil an Taobh Siar Fundraising Group, the Co-op, Oisean a' Chalmain, Alex Murray Construction and Peacocks who all helped make this happen. Thanks to all who contributed clothing and help in order to make this sale a success. Finally we want to thank those who came along and bought from us!



LEARNING HIGHLIGHTS

This Month



P1 INDUCTION DAYS



Pupils enjoyed looking for letters in sand, initial sound floor games and construction activities!

SPORTS DAY



It was great to see the children displaying good sportsmanship, perseverance and using their God-given gifts through these sports.

MINIBEASTS TOPIC

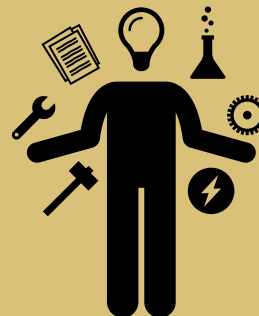
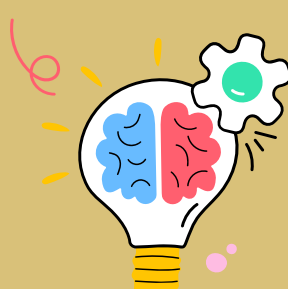


Butterfly release pictured above as part of the Oaks Minibeast Topic.

LEARNING SKILLS FROM A VOLUNTEER



Acorns pupils holding their completed bird houses with their instructor! Lots of fun and learning!



The completed mini beast hotel with some of our Oaks pupils.





LITTLE ACORNS



Little Acorns toddler group has had an exciting summer term with new faces. We welcome all toddlers and carers to our group and it's wonderful to see families from all walks of life, coming to join us. One new face, has been our lovely new infant class teacher, Miss Hannah Mackenzie, who has been a great asset. Miss Mackenzie has introduced an educational soiree of music and games, for the children to join in with.

Our 'Teddy Bear Picnic' themed end of year party was very well attended and the children had an even bigger feed than normal.

As ever there's a cuppa and welcome for all carers in the Autumn term.

Parents and carers are most welcome to join the WhatsApp group. Please let us know if you'd like to join, on your first visit or contact the school.

We thank you all for your prayerful interests in this group and the school as a whole.

I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.

3 John 1 v 4



HEADTEACHER'S LETTER



This term has been a very busy one with the children taking part in a variety of interesting activities both inside and outside the classroom. Children in Acorn class made bird houses and children in Oaks have been hatching butterflies and keeping snails in the classroom!

At the end of May, we visited the Scaladale Centre in Harris for our annual overnight stay where the children took part in a variety of outdoor activities - including lighting fires and using saws and knives. We had a family barbecue to which many family members and supporters came. It was a very pleasant event.

This term, the children took part in a play based on Pilgrim's Progress by John Bunyan. This involved learning lots of words for the script and for the songs. Most of the children played more than one part - which was a good challenge and kept everyone very busy! I am very grateful to those parents who supported the play by making scenery and props for the characters. We were pleased that the event was so well attended - the children performed extremely well and were a credit to their families and the school.

In our Bible lessons the children in Acorns learned about the miracles of Jesus and in Oaks the children studied parts of the book of Revelation. The children have been on visits to the bowling alley in Ness, the park at Eoropie and Adventure Island in town. They all had a lovely time.



Pupils pictured in the Pilgrim's Progress play and the group with Mr Musty

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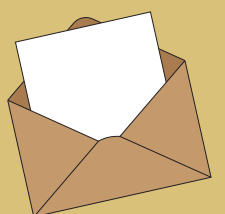


My time at Providence Christian School is now at an end. I have served the school for the past seven years and seen a good number of children go through and onto secondary education. It is always very pleasing to see how our past pupils have continued to make good progress and to be successful. The school provides a good foundation for children by nurturing them as individuals and channeling their interests. Our small class sizes are a great advantage – enabling children to make excellent progress. The ‘family’ nature of the school is very conducive to the well-being of children as it closely resembles the home environment and excellent relationships with the parent body further enhance the warm and friendly atmosphere. Parents and staff are united in their desire to provide the best possible opportunities for the children in our care.

I am in the privileged position of looking back on a teaching career that spans 37 years and can say that I have worked with very many wonderful children and staff and that these last two years especially have been particularly rewarding. The children are delightful – they work and play well together, care for and support each other, are trustworthy and reliable and apply themselves to their learning diligently. The school has faced many challenges, but God has been faithful to us. If you believe your child could benefit from joining PCS or want to find out more, please get in touch.

Finally, I would like to thank all our supporters for their ongoing concern for our school. Thank you to those who have sacrificed their time and resources to support us over the past years. I trust that you will support Mrs Stewart as she takes on the role of Acting Headteacher in the coming new term. Your prayers have been greatly appreciated and will bear fruit far into the future. I pray that you will all know God’s joy, peace and blessing in the coming days.

Mark Musty
Headteacher



HEADTEACHER FAREWELL

As many of you will know, our current Headteacher, Mr Mark Musty, is retiring at the end of this term. Following our school play on Monday evening, a presentation was made to Mr Musty from the School Board. The Chairman of the Board, Rev. Paul Murray, expressed gratitude to Mr Musty for his dedication to the school during his years of service. He also extended thanks to Mr and Mrs Musty for all their work at Providence. We pray that the Lord would bless Mr Musty in his retirement and continue to provide for the school in the days ahead.

The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord, And He delights in his way.
Psalm 37:23





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PRAYER NOTES

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Prayer Requests

- Guidance and provision for a suitable school building
- A safe and refreshing summer break for our pupils and staff
- Ongoing prayer for Mrs Stewart as she takes up her new role
- Increase of the school roll

Thanksgiving

- Provision of Mrs Anna Stewart (current Accorns Class teacher) as Acting Headteacher from August
- Encouraging recent fundraising events
- Two new pupils for next school year
- Continued encouraging numbers at toddler group
- Willingness of volunteers to contribute to our school in practical ways