



Barcaldine Primary School

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We are having a wonderful wintertime and even seeing a few signs of spring. Here's an update of what we've been doing and what we've got planned.

Open Day

We had a busy and interactive Open Day in November. Families joined us and the children demonstrated their learning by teaching our guests about rocks, minibeasts, volcanoes and planets, as well as how to learn letters and sounds for reading.

Christmas

The children put on a marvellous Christmas performance, 'The Christmas Quest'. The play was written by the children and they certainly entertained a packed church with their pirate antics, jokes and songs. It is fair to say that we have a talented and theatrical bunch here. We raised £93.16 for Mary's Meals through the silver collection.



Let it Snow!

At Barcaldine we love the snow. The children decided to build an igloo one day, and since we are learning about Polar Lands, it seemed like a good idea. In fact, they spent most of the day working together in a team, using their initiative and creative thinking skills. They devised tools, methods and techniques and managed to complete the walls, with the start of a roof.



While learning about Polar Lands, the pupils have investigated how layers of air act as an insulator and are well prepared for the cold weather we've been having.



The children have even made a life size polar bear and an emperor penguin!



Woodland Technology

The snow also hasn't put us off visiting the woods where the children have been learning how to use tools to build cubby lights for tealights, using natural materials. Some designs have been rather ambitious but the children have shown great perseverance and adaptability throughout this project. During this time the children have also been responsible for making and serving hot chocolate, soup and hot juice, to keep us all warm.



Healthy Hearts

Pupils joined with others from Strath of Appin, Kilchrenan and Achaleven to learn about keeping their hearts healthy. We exercised our hearts by learning to skip and please look out for a Skipping Day we will be having at school next term. Children also learned about emergency procedures and the recovery position. P7 even learnt how to do CPR with Heartstart.



Beetle Drive

We had such a laugh at our recent Beetle Drive. There were past pupils and current pupils, young children, mums, dads, grampas and teenagers all joining in the fun together. Look out for our fun events in the future. Everyone is welcome to join us.



History of Barcaldine Project

Have you any old photos?

Newspaper cuttings?

Stories to tell?



The Barcaldine Community Association and Barcaldine Primary School are gathering information for a joint project.

We hope to put the information on a website, produce a photographic book and also hold an exhibition near the end of term, in June.

If you can help in any way please get in touch with

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Daffodil Tea



Bring your Neighbours

24th March 10.30-12.00

Barcaldine Primary School

Come for a chat and a cuppa £2

