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Over the last few months, Tana Holmes has been busy gardening with Primary Three in the Wildlife Garden. On Thursday and Friday mornings, groups of 6 children went outside with Tana and learnt how to weed and dig the soil.

“We learned how to grow potatoes, beetroot and onions and we learned how to get these out of the soil. Tana taught us about the life cycle of a flower and if we sprinkle seeds in the ground, they will grow into more flowers.” (By Eilidh, Caitlin and Luke)

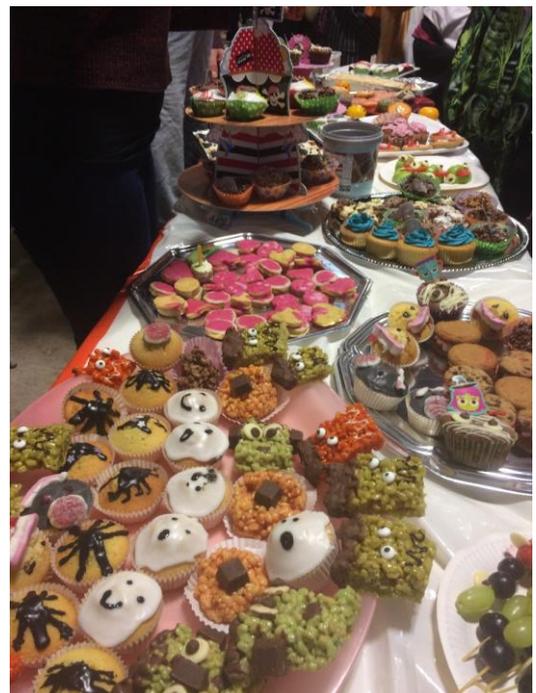
## Art Exhibition on the 8<sup>th</sup> November.

Parents and carers can come along between 3.20 and 6.30 to see their child's artwork and buy if they wish.



Well done to all the children who took part in the first block of ski lessons at Hillend. Here they are with their certificates and awards.

Parents volunteering on the cake stall at last Saturday's P3-4 Towerbank PSA disco were blown away by the creativity and generosity on display. We received an astonishing variety and impressive volume of Halloween treats: rice crispy monsters, spiderweb cupcakes, apple frogfaces, pumpkin biscuits, allergy-friendly options... A big thank you to all contributing households; the monsters, witches and zombies had great fun making their choices!



Primary 6 had a great time at the National Museum of Scotland on Monday. It was a good way to consolidate our learning from the classroom. We enjoyed walking around the exhibition whilst answering questions about the Jacobites. We also enjoyed listening to the actor who dressed like a Jacobite and told us lots about the weapons they used!



## Monthly Maths Challenge – Old MacDonald’s Socks

Thank you for the HUGE response to last month’s challenge! All entrants can find their names in these socks.



We asked how many socks Old MacDonald would need to knit. The solution is:

5 cows with 4 feet = 20    3 sheep with 4 feet = 12    2 hens with 2 feet = 4  
 1 horse with 4 feet = 4    1 spider with 8 feet = 8    20 + 12 + 4 + 4 + 8 = 48 feet

However...did you remember Old MacDonald and his dog, Bruno? 2 + 4 = 6 feet  
 Altogether, Old MacDonald would have to knit **54 socks** to keep every foot warm!

# Ho Ho Ho Parents and Carers!

It's less than five weeks until the famous Towerbank Christmas Fair - make sure you've got it in your diary for Saturday 2 December, 2-5pm.

We are pleased to offer you the chance to get yourself on Santa's good list by helping to run one of the fantastic stalls at the fair!

We need lots of leaders and volunteers to make the fair a festive success. Leaders have responsibility for planning their stall, sourcing the materials, managing their team of volunteers, setting up and running the stall / activity at the fair. Leading a stall is really great fun and you'll get plenty of support from the fair planning team. Leaders are supported by a team of volunteers, who need to come to the fair on the day and help out on a stall, making sure everything runs smoothly. Volunteer shifts are from 1.30 - 3.30 and 3.30 - 5.30.

## The Stalls:

Arts & Crafts (Leader confirmed as Kristina Robb)  
Door  
Face Painting & Tattoos (Leaders confirmed as Clare and Paul Slifer)  
Games  
Home Baking  
Raffle  
Refreshments (Leader confirmed as Becca Churcher)  
Santa's Grotto  
2nd Hand Uniform  
Tombola  
Toy & Book Sale  
Waffles

If you're up for this Christmas challenge, please email [carahjohnsonparty@gmail.com](mailto:carahjohnsonparty@gmail.com) with details of what you'd like to do, including the stall and time slot if you have a preference.

Thank you  
Towerbank Parent Group

# P7A class sharing assembly



This week P7A were the first class to host a class sharing assembly to their parents, carers and families.

They chose to share some of their learning about World War 2 with songs, acting and a stunning living museum. Every child took on a character and the audience were able to chat to soldiers, pilots, factory workers, code breakers and a prime minister.

The amount of work put in by the children, their families and staff at school was very impressive.

The feedback from visitors was very positive.

*"A fantastic assembly, very engaged children that had a wealth of knowledge"*

*"Wonderful informative, well researched, vibrant and fun! Very, very proud of all involved"*

*"Great to see all of the hard work from everyone and to hear their enthusiasm and evidence of learning. Lovely to be involved too. Thank you!"*