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 Glassary and Tayvallich Primary Schools

 7th May 2024

Primary 5 to 7 Joint Learning – Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st May – Tayvallich

Dear Parents

As you will know from recent weekly updates, we have organised a very exciting opportunity for our Primary 5 to 7 classes to learn together about the local environment and wildlife on Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st May. This is a joint venture involving our schools and Hope Spot which is a community-led celebration of this part of Scotland’s world-class natural riches. Over the two days, pupils will work with Pete Creech from Heart of Argyll Nature, Dan Coyle, local swimming and Gaelic tutor and a local artist on activities that will raise awareness and understanding of the very special environment, community and biodiversity that surrounds us.

Activities will take place in Tayvallich Primary School, in Tayvallich Village Hall and on the shoreline at Carsaig. Pupils from Glassary will travel by minibus for the activities, leaving shortly after 9am and returning to Glassary for the end of the school day at 3.15pm.

Please note that Dan Coyle will be leading seashore awareness/sea swimming sessions on Tuesday. In these, the children will have the opportunity to swim in the sea for around 20 minutes. This will be made accessible to both swimmers and non-swimmers.

Your child will need:

* To wear comfy clothes that they can learn and work in, with trainers or comfortable shoes for footwear and a change of clothes and shoes in case they get wet.
* To bring a suitable coat, sun protection, as per our school handbook and midge repellent as required
* To bring the following kit for the water session on Tuesday:
* Swimsuit
* Towel (for drying and changing)
* Extra warm clothes/layers to ensure that they can warm up afterwards, even if it is a warm day
* Goggles (optional)
* Wetsuit, if your child has one but if not, we will provide one
* Water gloves/shoes, if your child has one but if not, we will provide them
* A dry robe, if your child has one but if not, we will provide one

Food and drink

Your child will need packed lunches on the Monday and Tuesday. These can be provided by the school catering team and paid for as usual through I-Pay impact, unless your child is in receipt of a free school meal, where there will be no cost.

This is example of the packed lunch that can be provided, although there may be variation to the sides on the day:

* Choice of sandwich/wrap: children will be offered a choice of filling from Sliced Chicken, Tuna Mayo,Turkey or Cheese
* Salad Pot
* Fruit
* Biscuit
* Water

You will also need to provide a water bottle and break snacks for your child as you would on a normal school day. Please note that, due to individual food allergies, there must be no food sharing by children over the two days.

Please complete and return, by THURSDAY 9th MAY:

* the enclosed EV5 consent form to confirm that there are no changes to your child’s medical requirements or your emergency contact details
* the attached kit and lunch requirements form. If you state that you would like to order school packed lunches for your child, your child will be asked to select fillings in class on Friday 10th May.

Kindest regards



Lena Carter

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Please return this form with completed EV5 consent form by THURSDAY 9th May

Name of Child:

Swimming kit requirements

Please tick as appropriate:

My child will bring a wetsuit for the swimming activity.

My child will bring swimming gloves for the swimming activity.

My child will bring water shoes/boots for the swimming activity.

Please tell us your child’s

Clothing age:

Shoe size (European size if known):

Glove size (XS, S, M or L):

Lunch requirements

Please tick:

I would like to order packed lunches for my child from the school catering service.

I will provide packed lunches from home for my child.

Name of Parent: Date: