



Rushen Primary School Newsletter



May 2025

‘Learning and Growing’
at Rushen Primary School

Barregarrow Class Assembly and ‘Stay & Learn’

Barregarrow Class gave us a great end of Spring Term treat with their class assembly on April 3rd. They shared many examples of their learning, ranging from well-delivered presentations by public speaking groups, to conversations in Manx, as well as some superb gum boot dancing. What a great class performance and example of quality teamwork – well done!

Thank you to everyone who attended and to those adults who were also able to stay and take part in the guided reading sessions which followed. Many parents commented on how well the children focused and understood the language and technical terms being used during the lessons – many of which they themselves hadn’t heard for a while. A perfect learning opportunity for all concerned!



Crosby Class Assembly and 'Stay & Learn'

We were all treated to another great assembly when Crosby Class proudly shared their learning with us via clear explanations, photographs, recorded learning and song. Their enthusiasm really came across and lovely, expressive voices engaged the whole audience. Congratulations on your teamwork and rising so well to the challenge!

Again, there was a great turnout of parents able to join Crosby Class for a 'Stay and Learn' session afterwards and the pupils were keen to explain their learning.



Thank you for your questions and engagement with these events and we trust that you find such sessions helpful and informative.

The staff and pupils are always proud and keen to share learning with you. We really do appreciate all your attendance and support.

Police Visit

PC Jenette visited all the classes across school recently to talk to the children about what the Police do and how they help. She also discussed learning about safe play and being safe online. Everyone listened well, with some very thoughtful questions being asked about policing on the Isle of Man.



The Guild

Many congratulations to all our pupils who participated in The Guild this year, whether that be spoken word, drama, singing or playing instruments. Well done for bravely taking on the challenge and all the practice that this involves.



Thank you, Enid for sharing your success with us.

Buddy Learning

Appledene Class have been learning about Traditional Tales. They looked at a variety of stories, including 'The Gingerbread Man'. They used their imitating and planning muscles to plan, draft and create their own book of a traditional tale.

When Appledene Class heard that the Reception children had also been reading 'The Gingerbread Man' to learn about writing instructions, they thought it would be a great idea to share their books with the younger children.



Appledene took turns to share their books with Braddan Bridge and Bray Hill Classes, who enjoyed listening to the different versions of 'The Gingerbread Man'.

RUSHEN PRIMARY SCHOOL CELEBRATES



VE DAY

THURSDAY 8TH MAY 2025

Thank you to everyone who helped make this such a successful day! It was a great example of teamwork and collaboration. We are very proud of our pupils for embracing challenge, supporting one another and engaging really positively, in some cases in new learning, whilst coming together to remember and celebrate this key event in history. Thank you to all our staff and the parent helpers who all worked hard to support this day. Photos to follow soon.

During May our Y4 pupils will complete GL progress tests in English, Maths and Science. This is linked to an all-Island trial of using standardised assessments to support teacher judgements. These assessments will be completed on laptops and done informally with the children in small group settings.

Polite reminder – we would appreciate your support in reminding children that they should not be wearing make-up at primary school. Thank you!

Upcoming Events

- EYFS (Bray Hill and Braddan Bridge) Assembly with 'Stay & Learn' Thurs 15th May 9am
- **Sports Day** Wednesday 28th May collaborative team activities in the morning, competitive races in the afternoon from 1.15pm.
- Year 5 cycle training 9th - 13th June
- Year 6 Leavers' Assembly and presentation Wednesday 16th July 1.30pm - 3.15pm

Kind regards
Mrs Shaw & Mrs Higgins