

On behalf of all the Gaelic Parent Toddler Team here at CALA, we would like to express how much we have enjoyed meeting all the babies, toddlers, young children, parents and grandparents; sharing the fun play, learning and Gaelic language we have experienced together. We hope that you all have a lovely summer and enjoy exploring, playing, dancing, reading, and being creative with your little ones.

Any new ideas that you have we would love you to hear about them from you in the new term.

Happy Summer Everyone!

As leth na Buidhne Pàrant is Pàiste Gàidhlig an seo aig CALA, tha sinn airson a ràdh gu bheil e air còrdadh glan rinn coinneachadh ris na bèibidhean, na pàistean, a' chlann òga, na pàrantan is na seon-phàrantan; a' gabhail tlachd à bhith a' cluiche, ag ionnsachadh agus a' bruidhinn na Gàidhlig còmhla. Tha sinn an dòchas gum bi samhradh sgoinneil agaibh a' rùdhrach, a' cluiche, a' dannsa, a' lughadh agus a' dèanamh rudan cruthachail leis an fheadhainn bheaga agaibh.

Ma tha beachdan ùra sam bith agaibh bu toil leinn cluinntinn mun deidhinn san teirm ùir.

Deagh Shamhradh Dhuibh Uile!

Dates for your diaries!

28th and 29th September

An t - alltan—Aviemore.

Further Information:

www.storlann.co.uk/an-t-alltan/?lang=en



Friday 30th September

CALA Conference - Family Matters - Inverness

Further information:

www.careandlearningalliance.co.uk

CALA CONFERENCE 2016
FRIDAY 30th SEPTEMBER
Family Matters: Opportunities and Challenges
in the 21st Century
 Greyfriars and Stratherrick Free Church, Inverness

Keynote Speaker
 This year's keynote speaker is Hazel McCluskey, Director of the Scottish Violence Reduction Unit. "Violence is preventable, not inevitable". The unit has adopted a public health approach, with the emphasis on growing healthy communities through early intervention.

The Other Side of the Coin
 Led by: **Hanna McCulloch**, Policy and Parliamentary Officer, For-Our Family Action Group

Healthy Minds, Happy Children
 Led by: **Emma Campbell and Linda Thom**, Chair and Moluccan Mental Health Scotland

Workshops

Supporting parents along the journey of each child's development
 Led by: **Janice McTaggart**, Educational Psychologist (Early Years) for Highland Council

A Family Man: The role of men in 21st Century Families
 Led by: **David Deveney**, Head of Programmes, Fathers Network Scotland

For further information and to book please visit the CALA website: www.careandlearningalliance.co.uk/training-events/cala-conference2016/
 Tickets cost £25 per person. Payment by PayPal (account not required) or cheque.

Ceuman Beaga Inbhir Nis had a lovely morning with Linda MacLeod. We often see Linda on TV singing to large audiences so **Ceuman Beaga** were delighted to have her visit their group. Through lots of fun play and singing, Linda encouraged parents to bond and communicate with their young children; building the children's confidence, Gaelic vocabulary, and their musical awareness to boot! Lots of future *seinneadairean!*



Bha madainn sgoinneil aig **Ceuman Beaga Inbhir Nis** le Linda NicLeòid. Bidh sinn a' faicinn Linda air an TBh, mar sin bha sinn cho toilichte gun tàinig i a choimhead oirnn. Bha Linda a' brosnachadh nam pàrantan gu ceangal is conaltradh a thogail leis a' chloinn tro chluiche is seinn; a' togail misneachd na cloinne, na faclan Gàidhlig aca, agus an cuid aire mu chèl cuideachd! Bidh tòrr sheinneadairean againn fhathast!



Fond Farewell

We would like to take this opportunity to say a fond farewell to Carol-Anne Farquhar. Carol-Anne has been with us here at CALA since 2012 and is a truly valued member of the team, supporting parents and children at Gaelic Toddler groups in the Caithness Area. We wish Carol-Anne all the best for the future. We will miss you.

Soraith Slàn

Tha sinn a' guidhe soraith slàn do Carol-Anne NicFhearchair. Tha Carol-Anne air a bhith còmhla rinn aig CALA bho 2012 agus tha i air a bhith na ball luachmhor den sgioba, a' toirt taic do phàrantan is do chloinn aig na buidhnean Pàrant is Pàiste ann an sgìre Ghallailbh. Tha sinn a' guidhe gach soirbheas do Carol-Anne airson an ama ri teachd. Bidh sinn uile ga ionndrainn.

Samhradh

Summer

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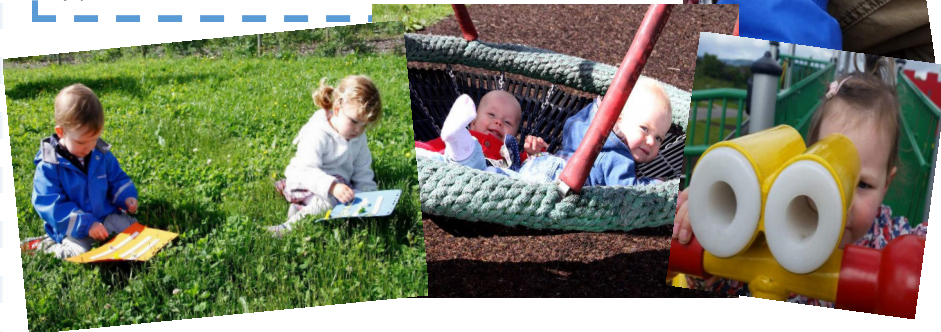
Rain Didn't Stop Play!

June was a busy time for our groups. The dates, times, locations and fun filled play days were planned and organised. The one thing that was always going to be out with our control was good old Scottish weather!

However we all know that along with the variable Scottish weather comes lots of play and learning opportunities.

So with an abundance of positivity, enthusiasm and suitable clothing for all weathers, many happy experiences were enjoyed by all with lots of Gaelic language being acquired and used as children named the animals, colours they were seeing, express their thoughts and feelings and so much more.

We have shared some of our favourite photographs from our trips for you to enjoy.



Bha na buidhnean againn trang san Ògmhios. Bha na cinn-latha, na h-amannan, na h-àiteachan agus na làithean làn spòrs air an cur air dòigh. Ach 's e an aon rud air nach robh smachd againn - an t-side Albannach!

Ach, tha fios againn uile gu bheil tòrr chothroman cluiche is ionnsachaidh an luib na side Albannaich.

Mar sin, le tòrr sunnd agus aodach freagarrach, chòrd na tachartasan rinn agus chleachd sinn tòrr Gàidhlig is a' chlann ag innse ainmean nam beathaichean, na dathan a bha iad a' faicinn, na rudan a bha iad a' smaoinichadh is a' faireachdainn agus fada a bharrachd.

Den Building

If you are looking for some fun play ideas for your children—why not consider 'Den Building'. This tried and tested play idea can be done indoors and out in all weathers.

Inspire and build excitement with your child by involving them in planning how, where and what you might use to make your 'den'. Use resources from around the house/garden/shed such as rope, pegs, old sheets etc.

The 'den' will provide your child with endless possibilities for play, while supporting their development in creativity, imagination, physical, social skills, language, problem solving, maths concepts and so much more.

For inspiration try:

www.pinterest.com/savechildreuk/den-day-lets-build-a-better-world

Croileagan a' Chaolais in Bonar Bridge had a little practice and shared photos with us!



Ma tha sibh a' coimhead airson dòighean cluiche spòrsail airson ur cuid cloinne—carson nach smaoinich sibh air a bhith Togail Bhothagan? Faodaidh sibh seo a dhèanamh a-staigh no a-muigh ge brith dè an t-side a th' ann. Faodaidh a' chlann com-pàirt a ghabhail ann a bhith a' planadh ciamar is càite a nì sibh a' bhothag agus dè an stuth a chleachdas sibh. Cleachd rudan a tha agaibh san taigh/gàrradh/seada leithid ròpan, cnagan-anairt, seann siotaichean msaa. Bheir a' bhothag iomadh cothrom cluiche dhan leanabh agaibh, fhad 's a thathar a' cur taic rin cuid leasachaidh ann an cruthachas, mac-meanmna, sgilean corporra is sòisealta, cànan, fuasgladh cheistean, matamataig agus tòrr a bharrachd.

Airson brosnachadh, feuch:

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Bookbug

Bookbug visits have been well-received especially in Bettyhill in the far North. Many of whom attended had never been to a Bookbug session so that made the session even more rewarding.

Plockton and Lochcarron also enjoyed monthly visits from Bookbug.

For Further Information

<http://www.scottishbooktrust.com/bookbug>



Tha tadhalan Bookbug air obrachadh uabhasach fhèin math, gu h-àraid sa Bhiàran Odhar fada a Tuath. Bha tòrr an làthair nach robh riamh aig seisean Bookbug, mar sin bha an tachartas soirbheachail dha-rìribh.

Chòrd Bookbug riutha gu mòr sa Phloc agus ann an Loch Carrann cuideachd.

Airson Tuilleadh Fiosrachaidh

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