

The Shapinsay Sound



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In December we have been really busy getting ready for Christmas. As I write this, we have just had an amazing Christmas lunch and are getting ready for our end of term Carol Service. Everyone made their own hats for Christmas dinner, as we felt that having crackers wasn't very environmentally friendly. The children also made some great decorations at home, and the school is looking very festive.

The Nursery children have been continuing to plan the further development of our front area. They went on a trip to the Strynd Nursery in Kirkwall and came back with some great ideas. Hopefully when the weather improves, we will start the next stage.

The children have been starting to think about sounds, and are playing games such as i-spy, and looking at the letters they know already. Some of the children have even started to read some really big numbers which are more than 20! In the icy weather they have been exploring the ice.

In the Primary classes the learning has continued with the same topics as last month. The younger class have been choosing their own areas to research in conjunction with their Australia and New Zealand topics, and gave presentations to families and the older class. They have researched Christmas in Australia, while the older class researched Christmas in France and Germany. In ICT the older class have been learning some of the more advanced features of Microsoft Paint, while the younger class have been inputting data in Excel and creating graphs. The older class have learned about Hinduism and Advent in RME.

We start back at school on the 6th January. In the meantime, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from everyone at the school.



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NEW **SWAP APPLICATION FORM AND GUIDANCE**

Over the past year or so, the Board has come to realise that an easier application process for SWAP (Shapinsay Way Ahead Programme) grants is needed.

To this end we have put together the attached Application Form and Guidance and ask for comments on whether you find them easy to understand and use.

Please return any relevant comments to the Boathouse by Friday 24th January 2020.

SWAP GUIDANCE FOR APPLICANTS **USE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE APPLICATION FORM**

Thank you for your interest in SWAP. Please feel free to talk to a member of the Board about your application and/or ask for assistance in filling out the form by making an appointment via the Boathouse (Tel: 711733 or email: boathouse@shapinsay.org.uk).

GRANTS

The following grants are available via SWAP but with conditions applied:

Driving Lessons:

We will accept applications for funding for driving lessons up to £300 maximum as a one-off grant.

Equipment:

We will accept applications for equipment to enable activities, as part of a SWAP application. We will fund, IN ANY ONE FINANCIAL YEAR (April-March), 50% of any equipment needed up to a maximum grant of £100.00.

Please note that if a community group wishes to apply for equipment at a cost of over £100.00 the Board will consider providing assistance towards the cost.

Accommodation (room only and we will not fund food):

We will accept applications for accommodation when an activity requires an overnight stay. We will fund accommodation up to £50 per room per night (one room per application). This will only be for a maximum of 3 nights in any one stay and a maximum of 5 nights in any 12 month period.

Please note that under exceptional circumstances the Board may agree to additional nights' accommodation.

PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU WILL NEED TO PROVIDE US WITH RECEIPTS FOR ANY EXPENDITURE ON THE ABOVE. ANY GRANT FUNDING UNACCOUNTABLE FOR BY RECEIPT WILL NEED TO BE REPAID TO SDT.

ACTIVITIES WE WOULD LIKE TO FUND THROUGH OUR SWAP GRANTS

We accept grant applications from young people and, adults if you are resident in Shapinsay, and community groups if your group benefits Shapinsay residents.

Young People

We welcome applications from individual young people for sporting, educational / training or environmental activities.

Adults

We welcome applications from individual adults for sporting or environmental activities or training and development.

Community Groups

We welcome applications from community groups for social, heritage or environmental activities, training and development or equipment.

Other activities

We welcome applications from individuals or community groups for activities other than those mentioned above; however those applications will need to be discussed at a full board meeting before any decision can be made.

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We have had several complaints regarding people parking in the disabled parking space at the boathouse and the pier. Can people please be aware that this space is only for blue badge holders and the chevrons/hatchings are to allow folk access to get into their vehicle. Please do not park on these lines. Thank you.

The bay is clearly marked in white paint with the word **DISABLED and chevrons** in the prescribed size and shape common in U.K. This is to allow disabled drivers and passengers who have a valid blue badge to have access and to get in and out of the car.

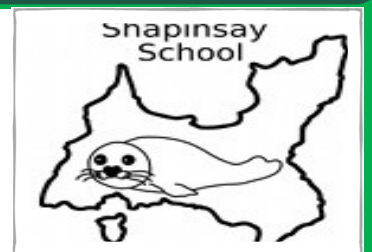
This bay is for blue badge holders. Blue badges are available from Orkney Islands Council. A blue badge is issued to an individual who has undergone the application process and who is deemed to have a qualifying condition by a medical professional.

Not all disabilities are visible. The rules for using the blue badge is that as a driver or passenger holding a valid badge you may park in a disabled parking space. The badge must be displayed clearly. Failure to display the badge correctly renders the driver liable for a penalty charge or fine.

Misuse of the badge is a criminal offence.

Please do not park in any part of the disabled bay at any time unless you have and display a valid blue badge. OIC and Marine Services have a duty to supply and enforce disabled bays.

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TRAVEL BOOKINGS FOR ATTENDING HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS

IMPORTANT CHANGE OF PROCEDURE

Heilendi Practice has now moved to The Balfour and subsequently stopped doing travel bookings due to their close proximity to the travel administration team.

For Shapinsay patients this should have little effect on most travel bookings. As before, you bring your appointment letter into the Shapinsay surgery *during office hours* and we will make the travel booking for you. Your ticket will usually be ready for collection from the surgery one or two days later.

However **if the booking is urgent (i.e. for the next day)** and it is outwith Shapinsay office hours, you no longer contact Heilendi Practice but instead **phone Central Reception at The Balfour on 888100 to arrange your travel**. The ticket can then be emailed to you or collected from The Balfour.

Please contact the Practice if you have any questions about this new procedure.
Thank you.

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SWAP APPLICATION FORM

Please note that if you need assistance with filling in this application form, feel free to contact a member of staff.

Section 1 – About You

Name of the applicant

Is this an application for:

Young person / adult / community group
(please delete categories not applicable)

Contact details

Section 2 – About Your Project

Tell us why there is a need for this project

Tell us exactly what your project will do (we do not want cost details at this point)

How will your project benefit Shapinsay?

When do you want to start the project?

When will your project finish?

