

## Intergenerational working - 21<sup>st</sup> November 2019

### What is happening in Orkney Nurseries currently?

Burray	<p>At Burray we only have a Wednesday afternoon of any intergenerational visits we can do. It's the local BALL (Be Active Long Life) group, we have been once to sing Christmas songs and may look to do this again at Christmas. They only start at 2pm so it can be a bit tricky with the timing of getting engaged in something as they quite often have specific activities that they are doing at the group.</p>
Dounby	<p>We love going to Smiddybrae! We visit Smiddybrae weekly with a small group of children (usually no more than 6-8) and along with the care home team, we have planned a program of activities including crafts, songs, puzzles &amp; games, painting, playdough, baking and the magic table (projector games). We invite parents along too should they wish and we've got a few signed up to come this term so far. We've also planned to have a Christmas carol service with the folk at Smiddybrae on 18th December and will invite parents and families to come along to see us there.</p> <p>We sometimes put some photos and info up on our blog of our visits too.</p>
Eday	<p>We don't really do any intentional inter-generational working as lunch club have changed their day and we only have lunch on Thursdays.</p> <p>It is may be worth noting that it is something that happens in all the youngsters everyday lives in a small community like this with one shop and community events for all.</p> <p>Visits to local farm to see chickens etc</p> <p>Cooking every week with Sarah</p>
Evie	<p>Weekly book bug with a Granny from the community.</p>
Firth	<p>We sadly are not able to do much in the line of inter-generational at the moment. We do have some of the church elders coming in next week to share the nativity story with the nursery children. They also leave 3 nativity book bags that are given out to all children to share at home with their family. Re-telling the story from their session. Each child also receives a knitted angel to keep which have been made by some of the church members.</p> <p>We do hope to tap into the 'Men's Shed' (a working group of older gentlemen who meet to work on small projects for community groups and 'get together' for a cuppa and to support each other's wellbeing) with it being local once the extended boundary paperwork is through. We thought we could involve them in creating something outdoors. Hoping to visit the shed as well as have the men to the setting.</p>
Glaitness	<p>Two staff currently go a monthly visit to Eunson Kloss (Very sheltered housing) with a group of 8 children. The children remain the same for the whole year as that way the residents and children really get to know each other. We normally walk up around 10 and there are a few different things set up on the tables for</p>

	us (normally blocks, a tea set and some books). We are there at the same time as home start so there are other children there too. We then share a snack with the residents and home start arrange peedie puffins (Songs, rhymes and movement similar to Bookbug but more focus on being active) to be there so a session with them normally rounds the trip off.
Hope	
North Walls	Haey Hope club was visited regularly in the past but with a change of management this has been put on hold until things are settled there. Plans to re-establish links with the nursery to continue the benefits for both groups.
Orphir	Nothing at the moment
Papdale	Regular visits to the Local Care Home in Kirkwall Annual Grandparents Day within the nursery
Peedie Breeks	Regular weekly visits with planned activities to Local Care Home in Kirkwall
Rousay	Plans afoot to visit the Triangle Club for packed lunch and some games. Only one child in nursery currently so would be a small step. Hopefully could build up to some singing with the whole group and possibly parachute games, balloon games and possible inclusion of P1/2 children from the school
Sanday	Bookbug sessions Group
Shapinsay	Our nursery children along with the rest of the school always have xmas lunch with our lunch club folks and afterwards we go to the community rooms to sing them some xmas songs. We have members of the lunch club and older folk from the community coming into school when the P1-7 pupils are learning about WW2 (or other history topics) or learning to knit, we had several grandparents in school when the children were putting together an Orkney Dialect CD. All children from nursery upwards perform at the tree lighting party which is very well attended by older members of the community.
St Andrews	Currently don't do any inter-generational work at St Andrews but are keen to get something set up. We would really like to look at different ways of making this work as our geography makes it quite tricky to organise this. (Setting in the countryside with little opportunities for meeting up with different generations. Group of grandparents/elder folk in the parish come to do some knitting/crafting regularly with the older children but nothing for Nursery.

Stromness	<p>At present we do not do any Inter-generational sessions in Stromness Nursery, but in the near future we hope we have regular contact with the new care home, 'Hamnavoe House'.</p> <p>One of our team has had previous experience with inter-generational sessions and is looking forward to experiencing that with Stromness Nursery too.</p> <p>We hope to visit the care home on a fortnightly/monthly basis to join a group for songs/rhymes/games/snack/stories.</p> <p>Also an idea for Mother and Fathers Days - we are going to have family afternoons.</p> <p>For Mothers Day all the Grannies will be invited to come along with the Mums to join their child for some activities within the setting. . and for Father's Day the Dads and Grandads will invited in for some activities too.</p>
Stenness	Nothing currently although opportunities could be possible for Diamond Club over lunch time.
Stronsay	Small island setting that has a strong community. Events for all rather than inter-generational.
Strynd	Sorry this is something that we are not really doing here at the strynd, quite tricky as Kirkwall is quite busy with this as Papdale, Glaitness and Peedie breeks are all dong this.
Westray	<p>We have visited Kalisgarth (Care home) every year to sing songs too them. We have also gone with our parachute and played parachute games with the residents, pop corn was a favourite with ball pool balls rattling off heads and both generations ending themselves!</p> <p>Recently we have been invited to the BookBug Inter-Generational sessions which are fine but the timing is rubbish! It was nearly finished when the residents arrived but the time is set by Bookbug so I'm going to sort that. ☺ We were even there the day we were inspected and the inspector loved it! I've attached a photo of a lady and one of our children having a yarn about cake.</p> <p>We have sent art work regularly too Kalisgarth too. I would have to say they are better at contacting us then we are of contacting them. It also helps to have a link with them, a Mum or a Granny working there or using the centre is fab.</p> <p>We are trying to strengthen our links with Kalisgarth and now with extended boundaries in place nip over for a cup o tea or crafty sessions with them. We even wondered about taking Clay along!</p>