

ST DAVID'S R.C SUSTAINABILITY JOURNEY 2024/2025

1 END OF LAST SESSION

Culture:

Last session developed our new VVAs and Learner Dispositions

Community:

We continued our wonderful partnership with Spartans to create our Comfort Kitchen Campus

We used Edinburgh Airport funding to create our own St David's Garden Curriculum

We have worked to develop our learner experiences and skills

2 OBJECTIVES FOR 2024/2025

- Laudato Si goals introduced to staff
- Eco Schools 7th Green Flag achieved, and 8th Flag Action Plan created
- Eco Committee meet every two weeks to work on action plan and feedback learning to classes
- Funding achieved to create Sustainability Garden
- Padlet created to share
- Skills for learning, life and work: create clear skills and DYWF progression pathway within curriculum at St David's – play, creativity, critical thinking. (Included in Learning Community Improvement Plan). With all stakeholders, create St David's Global Goals for learning for sustainability.

3 CULTURE ST DAVID'S DIVERSITY EVENT

Each year we hold our annual Diversity event whereby children will learn about a country that one of their classmates is from. Classes then share this learning with their families.



This session, with the support of Edinburgh University, we were able to create a showcase at Granton College celebrating our diversity and learning with the community.

4 COMMUNITY ST DAVID'S COMFORT KITCHEN & SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

Our Eco Team and Rights Knights have been working with Logan and David from Spartans to further develop our Comfort Kitchen, turning it into a Social Enterprise!

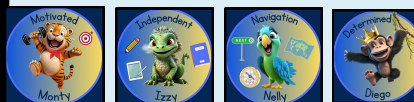
"It is fun to categorise and organise the Comfort Kitchen."

These hardworking committees organise and prepare for families to come and shop at our Comfort Kitchen, raising money for our school fund!

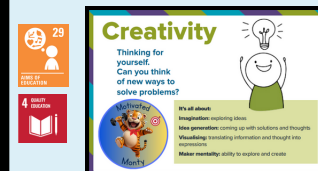
Our teams have also put together pre-made bags of ingredients based on our school cookbook created by our Equalities Team!



5 CURRICULUM ST DAVID'S MIND MASCOTS/ METASKILLS DEVELOPMENT



Following on from our Learner Dispositions development last session, our Curriculum Development team matched these characteristics to our SDS Meta-skills. These posters are referred to during lessons

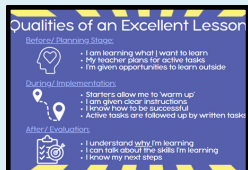


6 CURRICULUM CAREER'S DAY 2025

In April we held our first Careers Day! We welcomed visitors from various industries to chat to the children about their day-to-day tasks, their academic journey to where they are and the specific skills needed for their role.



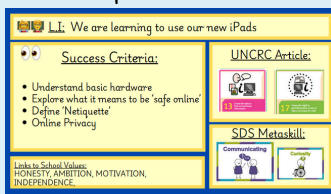
7 CURRICULUM USE OF L.I FORMAT



Last session our learners and staff created our 'Qualities of an Excellent Lesson' visual.

From the feedback from the children, we identified that learners appreciate clear instructions and links to previous learning. This led to our L.I format to ensure consistency across lessons and classes!

This allows for explicit links to UNCRC and skills.

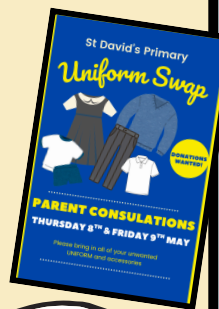


8 COMMUNITY ST DAVID'S UNIFORM SWAP SHOP & RAG BAG RECYCLING



Building upon our clothing recycling, this session we held two uniform swap shops to encourage sustainable shopping and support families in need.

Using our RagBag has also allowed us to recycle unwanted materials in an eco friendly way!



9 CULTURE & COMMUNITY ST DAVID'S FEAST DAY

Our INCREDIBLE Parent Group held our first 'St David's Feast Day' celebrations!



Children celebrated the feast of St David of Scotland; learning about him in class and enjoying treats in the sunshine!

"...People know who we are." Desiree



10 CURRICULUM V.V.A DEVELOPMENT



One of our House Captains suggested we get ourselves a School Mascot to develop our sense of self! Meet Davey the Deer!

Guests were invited based on a Q&A completed by the children discussing their goals and aspirations.



"I know what I want to be and what I need to do to get there"

11 NEXT SESSION GOALS...

- With learners, families, staff and partners create St David's Global Goals for learning for sustainability. Aim: Ensure that our curriculum and learning experiences are inclusive and equitable and promote lifelong learning for all.
- To continue to embed and upskill learners and staff on Empowered Learning practices.

ST DAVID'S ECO 2024/2025



"Eco is inclusion. It is for everyone." Malina

3 CAMPUS & COMMUNITY ST DAVID'S GARDEN



Our wonderful ECO & ECO after school club got to work on our new St David's Garden funded by the Edinburgh Airport Grant.



So far our learners have grown lots of fruits and vegetables such as strawberries, garlic, onion, potatoes and radishes!



"It's been great to see that the shed has encouraged staff to cycle to work!" Mr Creaney

7 CAMPUS BIKE SHED



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South East of Scotland Transport Partnership



Sustran Funding used to encourage staff and adults to cycle to work with secure bike storage

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Our St David's Garden was built during the Summer Holidays of 2023/2024. Our children planned what this would look like and how it would be used.

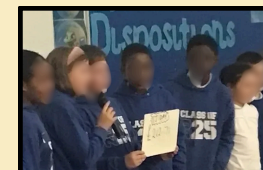


2 CULTURE & COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING

This session we have held school initiatives to raise money close to our hearts.

Lenten fundraising- SCIAF PJ day
Eco bulbs sold at Christmas Fair for ECO development
P7 Bracelet enterprise for St David's Feast Day

FOUR AMAZING Staff teams ran the Edinburgh Marathon Relay to raise money for MND Scotland!



4 COMMUNITY & CURRICULUM LAUDATO SI & LAUDATO SI WEEK



Our school have been working over the last few years to develop our understanding and our mission to become stewards of creation, safeguarding the beauty of the earth and ensuring the wellbeing of all.



Almighty God,
Bring peace upon our home and give us the grace to live long and healthy lives.
May you please protect us from evil and save the world from deforestation and natural disasters.
O Lord, with your love, please pray for us and the beauty of this world.
With your mercy, forgive us our sins.
Bless most fortunate people with love and care.
Protect all life on the earth, our common home.
In Jesus's name we pray.
PSA



During Laudato Si week, classes chose an SDG goal and Laudato Si goals to uphold and promote throughout the week. Each class created a prayer to share with the rest of the school at assembly.

8 CAMPUS LITTER PICK



Last session our ECO team created goals of their own to keep our school sustainable. One of these was to keep our playground tidy from litter.

"I like how fast we have planted and how they have grown." Emilia K

5 CAMPUS, COMMUNITY & CURRICULUM TREES FOR THE FUTURE PROJECT



"I have enjoyed setting up the garden and growing things." Leon W



Back in Term 1 our P6 Eco champions visited West Pilton Park to research various tree types and contributed to future plans for the space with the help of Edinburgh and Lothians Green Space Trust.

6 CAMPUS & CURRICULUM WILDING WEE SPACES

We have begun our journey to to develop our outdoor space with help from Wilding Wee Spaces and our P7s.



Our P7s have learned about biodiversity in our community and designed their own space with this in mind. Watch this wee space...



9 CAMPUS & CURRICULUM SUNFLOWERS

To celebrate Laudato Si week, every child in the school was provided with everything they needed to grow their own Sunflowers.

P7 have gifted theirs back to the school to create a Sunflower Garden.

"The fact we gave sunflower seeds to the whole school is giving everyone the chance to feel what it is like in the Eco Group." Desiree

Laudaio Si Week

Hi all,

Please plant Giant Sunflower Seed 0.5 cm deep. It grows 200-300cm high. Children can plant outdoors if they want when 30cm high. Compost is in the infant playground beside the garden. The seeds can be collected when the flower has died back and can be eaten or planted next year for endless sunflowers.

