

Kindness UK Accreditation Evidence **Dornoch Primary School** part of Dornoch Firth 3-18 Campus

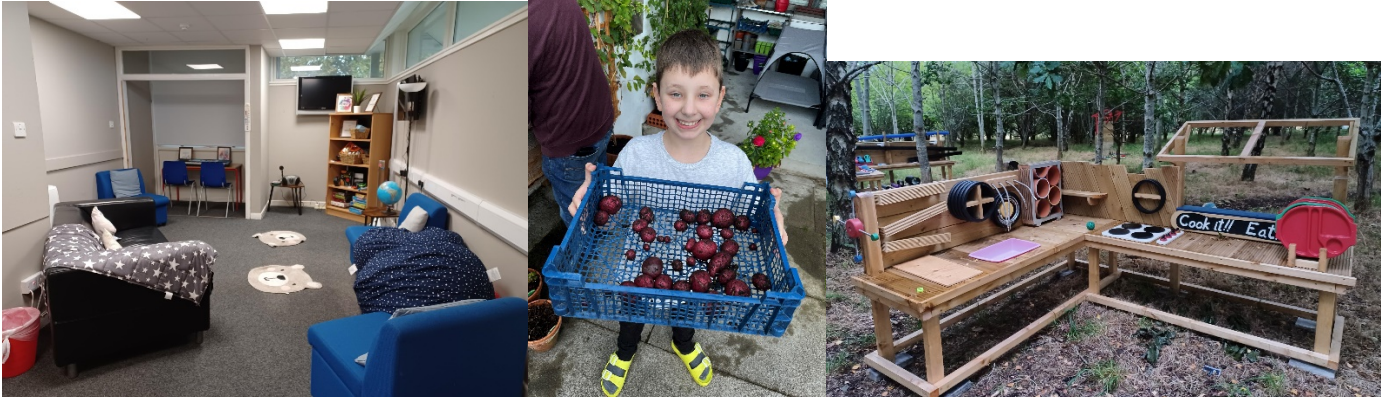
1	School aims and values	Our school aims and values are agreed by the whole campus Achieving, Belonging, Caring Respect, Resilience, and most of all Kindness We review these regularly through assemblies and class work
2	Pupil and Parents Voices	We seek the views via the pupil and parent councils. We put out surveys to parents, staff and pupils. We also use the UNHCR questionnaire for Rights Respecting Schools
3	Pupil Council and Executive Pupil Council	Each school on the campus has a pupil council with a focus on the health and wellbeing of their peers. Every term they form one executive council to ensure campus wide needs are met.
4	Helping Others' Days	This term we have supported a range of charities chosen by the pupil council; despite economic pressures the pupils have run all sorts of activities to raise funds. We supported: Wear a hat for the Brain Tumour Trust. Wear Yellow for the Highland Hospice. Wear orange for Maggie's Centres. RSPB count the birds project and making and selling bird feeders. Christmas Jumper Day. Buying meals for families supported by Mary's Meals. Poppy Day. Children in Need. In addition, P6and7& pupils made cakes and posters to sell in aid of Ukrainian Relief Fund. Rotary Christmas boxes.
5	Kindness Award	Everyday staff award points for acts of kindness they see at the end of the week assembly the class with the most points wins the Kindness Cup for the week. Our pupils have also asked that the cup be presented to the canteen staff and the cleaners for all they do for the pupils. Certificates are presented weekly by class teachers; these are presented at the assembly with parents invited to come and see the presentations.
6	Eco events	We participated in a community wildlife count organised via our local Golf Club. Children and parents got involved in a clear up of rubbish in a local wood. P2 carried out a save the bees project creating awareness posters and making seed bombs. We have enterprise and gardening groups, planting areas around the school but also making seats for younger pupils for the playground from recycled timber.
7	Kindness Day	We celebrated Kindness Day and Anti-Bullying week with assemblies. The P6/5 class created a set of amazing teaching activities to promote kindness and reduce bullying. They presented these to a conference of 200 teachers and their lesson plans are on the council website for other schools to use.
8	Outdoor activities	By raising funds and recycling lots of materials we were able to create an outdoor learning area in a wood attached to the school. Our wood is regularly visited by wild deer who do not seem to mind the children's voices. We are in the early stages of tidying up two neglected area on the school grounds. We made and put out bird feeders and made insect traps to count species and then let them go. The nursery children put on their outdoor suits every day to learn outside for a large part of their day. All classes do the Daily Mile, and we use our great grounds as much as possible.
9	Care home community links	Our Nursery pupils visit the two local care homes. They take toys to play with the residents and have refreshments with them. A group of nursery pupils joined residents to help tidy their garden and plant seeds.
10	Buddies	All of our P7 pupils are buddies to the children in the nursery and P1 class. They look after the P1s in school and go to help play games. They go into the nursery to read stories. They are also lunch time helpers and are undertaking sports leaders' qualification to lead playground games.

11	Kindness Activities	Kindness UK resources. Each class thinking of what represents kindness to them. We discussed these with parents. Pupils shared what they were doing with parents, and we put information in our newsletter. We have used the Bucket of Kindness Book with younger pupils.
12	Harvest and Christmas	We held a harvest festival service and asked for donations of flowers and food. We shared the donations between our two local care homes. The children went from the school to take the harvest gifts. We are planning to sing carols in both care homes. We invite residents if they are able to attend our nativity play. We hold a Christmas service in Dornoch Cathedral and invite the community to attend.
13	Tree Planting	We have linked with the Woodland trust to plant native species trees for the Queen's Jubilee as well as shrubs for the bees and birds.
14	Citizenship Groups	We have an ECO group, and we are just setting up a Junior Road safety group. We give out awards in assembly for "Responsible Citizens and Effective Contributors". Our Pupil Council play a big role in promoting citizenship in the school.
15	Health and Wellbeing	Health and Wellbeing is one of three major strands of our School Improvement plan which is shared with our parents. The staff hold regular working groups to propose plans that are shared to include the pupil and parent voice. All school activities are planned to promote health and wellbeing for all of our school community.
16	Caring for Animals	We have had many animal visitors this term. A resident from the care home bought in her tortoise who was over 60 years old. We met new-born kittens and learnt how to care for them. We had a talk on exotic animals and got to hold snakes and spiders. We are now having reading with dogs' days with therapy dogs.
17	Learning for Sustainability	As part of our Silver Accreditation for UNHCR Rights Respecting award the whole school became involved in Learning for Sustainability projects. P5 have completed a Recycle Reuse project teaching other classes about reducing waste.
18	Assemblies	We hold two assemblies per week, we focus on important celebrations as well as the schools aims and values. We link with ministers from the local churches who join our assemblies.
19	Mental Health Awareness	The pupils know that class teachers and the Deputy head can always be approached to talk. We have a nurture room where pupils can go to de-stress. We have a counsellor who comes weekly to work with individuals. We carry out resilience work with classes. We share the weekly online safety bulletins from National online safety organisation.
20	Remembrance	P6 and P7 have completed projects on the first and second world war. Relatives have shared objects from the war including medals. Pupils planted crosses at the Dornoch War memorial to mark the fallen of the town. We held the two-minute silence and sold poppies including knitted ones kindly made by our staff. The Poppy Bus history museum came to visit the school.
21	Newsletters	We produce a fortnightly newsletter to keep parents informed about school activities. We share our kindness stories and share photographs of the week's kindest class.
22	Kindness UK	We celebrated UK Kindness Day and have been using the resources from your website. The pupils completed the word searches and drew pictures of kind activities.



Winning Silver Rights Respecting School Award

Writing kind thoughts for the Hospice



Our Nurture room

Growing potatoes project

Our outdoor learning area



Wear orange day for Maggie's Centres

P1 win the P1-3 Kindness cup



Reading with dogs



Visit by Tommy the Tortoise



One of our special assemblies

Young Leaders Bikeability

Our Pupil Council



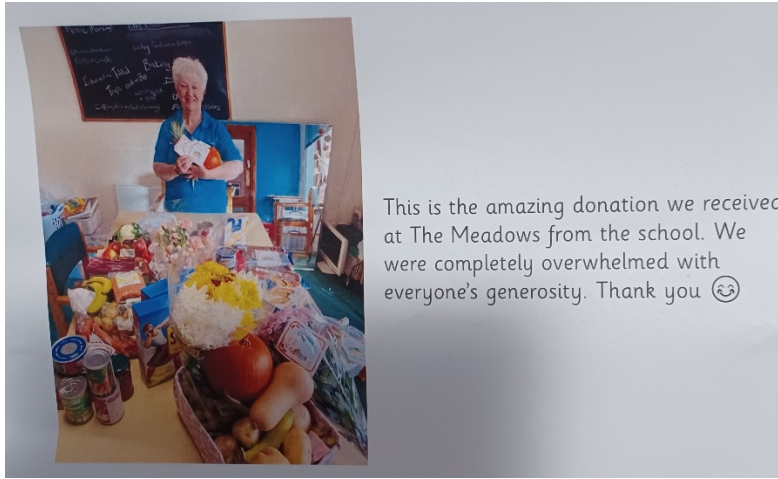
Some of our Kindness and Anti bullying displays



Kindness Cups P1-3 P4-7



Some of mental health resilience work



This is the amazing donation we received at The Meadows from the school. We were completely overwhelmed with everyone's generosity. Thank you 😊

Thankyou note from one of the care homes for our harvest gifts