

Autumn 2025 Update

From building to belonging

"Thank you, as ever, for supporting Seamab. We are now weeks away from moving into our new school. A place of inspiration and learning made possible by our donors and supporters. We're excited to be able to share with you a short film which captures the final stages of the construction and a first glimpse inside the building where the classrooms are coming to life and the architect's drawings are becoming a reality.

[Click here to watch this fantastic building take shape.](#)

We cannot wait to invite you to visit the school once we have settled in and we will be in touch with an invite to a special celebration event in the new year.

Everything we do here is designed to help our children and young people build safe, meaningful, and fulfilling lives. We do that in partnership with you and as a result of your generosity.

With thanks



Stuart Provan
Chief Executive of Seamab



The new school takes shape



The Auld Enemy Dinner is back — and backing Seamab

On Calcutta Cup weekend 2026, the Auld Enemy Dinner returns to the Sheraton Grand, for a rugby-charged evening with an influential Edinburgh audience. It's the third year the dinner has supported Seamab, and together we've already raised £200,000 from auction bids to help fund our new school.

This year, we are curating a handful of money-can't-buy auction prizes: insider sport moments, extraordinary travel and stays, unique jewellery and art, and statement fashion.

If you can offer a prize — or introduce us to someone who can — every pound bid on the night will go towards the new school and supporting Seamab's work with children and young people.

Ponies help children

Over the summer and autumn terms, four of our children took part in seven sessions with Ponies Help Children, a charity whose gentle, rescued ponies support young people who have experienced trauma. They work with children who have emotional and behavioural problems and children who require a different educational approach where the mainstream has been overwhelming.

During careful grooming and quiet time, the children formed close bonds with their designated ponies. They helped our children and young people gain confidence and helped some overcome their fears while encouraging development of speech and language in a calm and relaxing environment. One of our children said, 'I feel so calm and happy when I am here, I love my pony.'

Volunteering at Seamab

Seamab has been fortunate to have benefited from volunteer support from Scottish Gas for the last four years. This summer they worked tirelessly to re-bark the ground beneath our trim trail whilst also repainting all of the obstacles to ensure they are safe and winter ready for the children to continue to enjoy.

They also installed a new sunken trampoline outside Dumyat bungalow. Jay Woods, Scottish Gas's Customer Delivery Manager said, 'Seamab is a safe and hopeful place for children who have had a tough start in life. It gives them a sense of belonging. We feel we are playing a small part in helping the kids on this journey. We all at Scottish Gas feel our efforts and volunteering are appreciated by Seamab greatly and want to continue this partnership into the future.'



The Great Be More You walk – a journey of change

Thanks to generous grants from the John Scott Charitable Trust and the Northwood Charitable Trust, seven children from Seamab attended the Columba 1400 Young People's Leadership Academy on Skye this summer - a week they describe as truly 'life-changing'. Inspired, the group formed Be More You (BMU) - a vision to bring self-belief, leadership, and kindness into their school, care campus, and community.

On 31 October, the group laced up their boots to take part in their very first fundraiser, The Great Be More You Walk — trekking from Glendevon to Dollar through wet, muddy conditions that did nothing to dampen their spirits. With laughter, teamwork, and not a single complaint, they finished the walk in the best of humour. By the end, they'd already raised over £1,000 — and they're not stopping there. The children are determined to raise even more to give back to some of the wonderful organisations that support Seamab's work, so please donate if you can at their [Just Giving](#) page.



We would love to invite you to visit us at Seamab. To support our children or find out more, please contact Sharon O'Loan on 07585 001585 or email soloan@seamab.org.uk

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