

Trusts and Foundations Update – Winter 2022

Seamab Therapy Project



We warmly welcomed the continued support of **The Robertson Trust**, **The Gannochy Trust** and **The R S Macdonald Charitable Trust** in supporting the post of Psychologist at Seamab. This second year of funding allows us to build on the positive progress and learning we have gained throughout the course of this year.

We are so delighted to have been awarded a further 3 years funding of £62,313 by the Trustees of **The Pilot Trust** to which is primarily in support of our commitment to Speech and Language at Seamab. The long-term support we have received by the Trustees of the Pilot Trust has enabled us to support a range of different areas over the past number of years and this commitment from the Pilot Trust to the children of Seamab is much appreciated.



Trust Visit

We were delighted to have a trustee visit from **The John Scott Charitable Trust** on 18th October 2022. This gave us the opportunity us to talk about how we support our children and share our current projects and longer term plans first-hand and learn more about the fantastic charitable work of the Trust in more detail. Following on from this, we were absolutely thrilled to hear that the Trustees had awarded a very generous grant of £20,000. We can utilise the monies to deliver some of the ideas and suggestions that have come directly from the children and young people and this will enhance both the school and care campuses.

Epic Adventures

Outdoor and physically active play is a key element of the education offering that our children receive at Seamab, without access to Epic Adventures, our children would be less likely to engage fully in their class based learning. During the Autumn we have received very generous grants from the Trustees of **The Mugdock Children's Trust** awarding £2,000 and **The Hugh Stenhouse Foundation** awarding £645, all in support of Epic Adventures. Thanks to the support from Trusts such as these, we are able to ensure that our children are able to access a varied and bespoke curriculum that will provide them with rich experiences and memories that will stay with them long after their time at Seamab.



Care Campus Drama Project

Through their experience at school, the children have shown a great interest in character play, from Mystical Dragons and Harry Potter to everyday role models like Police Officers and Doctors. We positively encourage this creativity and recognise the therapeutic benefit that this gives the children in developing their speech and language skills. Thanks to the Trustees of **The Gordon Fraser Charitable Trust** giving Seamab a grant of £1,000, we are now able to purchase an outdoor stage which will be situated on our care campus along with costumes, giving them the opportunity with their key workers to participate in shared drama projects, including use at important times of the year such as Easter and Christmas.



Forest School



Our children love Forest School which happens every Monday morning during term time. Thanks to the ongoing support and generosity of **The Robin and Eirwen Bell Charitable Trust** both visiting us once again and giving a grant of £200, we were able to replenish resources for the forthcoming term in the New Year. We thank you so much for your continued vested interest in our work.

Edinburgh Kiltwalk

We were all thinking of **Emma Graham (right)**, our Finance Manager as she undertook the gruelling Edinburgh Kiltwalk Mighty Stride in aid of Seamab on 18th September 2022, seen here being supported and cheered on by our very own regular Kiltwalk 'Kiltie' HR Manager, **Kristine Johnson**. Emma raised an amazing £915 for Seamab, smashing her fundraising in 2021, just brilliant! Thank You.



Co-op in the Community

We have recently come to the end of our partnership with Co-op in the Community, a huge thanks to shoppers who very kindly chose Seamab as their preferred charity, donating to our work. Thanks to your thoughtfulness, you have raised an amazing £1,485 to help us provide support to our children in mindfulness and yoga which takes place in our Yurt on the school campus; a calming and supportive experience and environment for our children that they enjoy so much.



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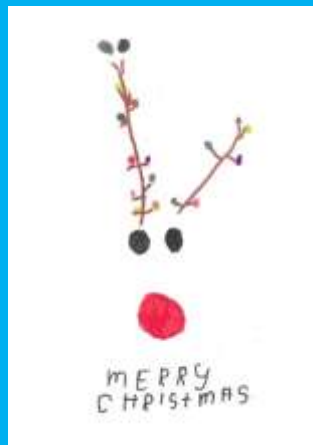
A huge thank you to **Craig Allan**, husband of **Ashley Allan**, Education Support Worker, Seamab School Class Hug for nominating us for a grant from his employer, **Scottish Gas**. With this wonderful gift, it will allow us to purchase much needed new mats for our Gym Space in School; perfect for our very active children. On top of this, the team are making Christmas extra special this year in helping us source used/unwanted games and arts and crafts materials. Our children will be able to use these in their newly built Youth Club on the care campus, creating a space which they can socialise with their friends from other bungalows, relax and play games.

Dollar Burns Club

We received a very generous donation of £200 from the proceeds of a supper held in aid of Dollar Burns Clubs 3 chosen charities to benefit from the evening. This wonderful gift has allowed us to buy additional resources for our children to enjoy at the Youth Club.

Christmas Card Designs

Our children have been busy in school designing their Christmas cards for 2022, with one winner being selected from our younger children and one from our older children. We think you will agree; the winning designs are truly amazing! Our Junior winner (left) from Class Calm and our Senior winner from Class Hope.



Donation of Christmas Trees

The team at the Kilted Christmas Tree Company have very kindly donated two wonderful 6 foot Christmas trees that the children had a fabulous time decorating, now filling the school with the wonderful scent of Christmas.



***From all the children and staff at Seamab, we wish you a Peaceful Christmas
and a Prosperous New Year***