Thank you to everyone who attended the Senior Citizens Morning Tea, Assembly & Book Fair. The Senior Citizen’s Morning Tea was a terrific success. It was fantastic to have so many special people at our school. The classes performed beautiful songs and shared some wonderful work. Our students’ learning and achievements were celebrated. Our swimming champions received their special awards and the SRC were recognised with their badges. It was a fantastic school learning community event.

Rockfest - I think everyone would agree that the street party was awesome on Sunday night. The teachers have been working hard with the students to ensure everyone has the opportunity to shine with their ukes and singing. It is going to be a real treat at Ned’s Beach this afternoon. We had a special visit from Big Music Team on Tuesday. Thank you all the musicians and support personnel for the enthusiasm and passion to inspire our kids. We are asking parents to have the student’s at Ned’s by 3.30 p.m this afternoon please. On Friday at the Golfie we are asking for all students to be ready at 5.45p.m. I am sure you will agree that the effect, influence and opportunity of the Rockfest Team on our students is outstanding.

School Camp - We need everyone’s notes returned as soon as possible please so we can organise the tents and set up the events at North Bay.
P&C Market Cake Stall - There will be an extra market held at the school while the state election is on this Saturday, 28/03. The P&C have decided to hold a fundraising cake stall during this time. The P&C is asking parents to assist by supplying any baked goods for the stall. Audrey will be at the school setting up from 9.45 a.m and will be packing up around 12 pm. Please bring your baked goods to Audrey at the school between these times. Otherwise she can be contacted on 65632263 for other arrangements. Your support is much appreciated - P&C

Ready, Set, Tiko - GO!

K1R News - Well done everyone on your participation in the swimming carnival. It was wonderful to see everyone out there having a go.

Last week during Literacy, we focused on the books Where the wild things are by Maurice and Gorilla by Anthony Browne. We wrote descriptions of wild things that we drew and painted and the students were introduced to writing information reports about Gorilla's. The children were very excited to present their descriptions at the Senior Citizen morning tea.

During math sessions this week we have been focusing on ten frames and working out how many more are needed to fill the 10 frame (Friends of 10 and 20). We then discussed turn around facts and subtraction sentences to go with the 10 frames.

All in all a very busy couple of weeks in the classroom. Thank you to our wonderful helpers, Emily, Megan and Andrew. Their help is greatly appreciated and I am sure they will attest that helping out in the classroom is a good way to find out what actually happens during the day.

Looking forward to a wonderful week of Rockfest. Get those dancing shoes out. I know I am.

Judy

Swimming Carnival - Congratulations to the winning House team Gower! The focus of the Swimming Carnival was about having fun and being part of a team.

Lidgbird and Gower House Captains

From the Secondary Room - Hello Mum's and Dad's, I'm just dropping in to pass on more good news on behalf of the Distance Education students. Monique and Aidan have been busy with their subjects and the work they've submitted has been of a very high standard. More A's, more awards and more great results. One subject in which they both excel is Food Technology. Luckily for me, I'm one of the taste testers and I'm happy to be invited to sniff, chew and delight in their culinary masterpieces. We've been tempted by muesli cookies; stuffed potatoes; pancakes with boysenberry jam and cream and spaghetti bolognaise. The morning they made the pancakes, they served the teachers BEFORE they made some for themselves -- another big tick for being so thoughtful. I hope Aidan and Monique continue to cook up a storm both at school and at home.

I wish the students a happy holidays- don't forget to slip, slop, slap while in the sun and come back refreshed and ready to face a new term.

T.T.F.N. Mrs. Goyen.

If you had fun, then you won!
News from 2-6M
What a great start to my time here at LHICS and in this beautiful island community. Being the last newsletter of the term, I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone for their support and kindness this term. I am feeling privileged to be part of a supportive and cohesive school staff and also very lucky to have such a wonderful group of children. Thank you students of 2-6M, I love being your teacher and hope that we have a prosperous and enjoyable rest of 2015. I would also like to thank the families and their children for making Aidan and Bonnie feel welcome as well. They are thoroughly enjoying their time, especially the freedom that this island allows for children.

A busy time to finish the term off, with lots to look forward to. Firstly, our performances at Ned’s Beach and the Golfie. Can’t wait for those, the students have been working very hard practising their ukulele playing and singing, and it’s sounding great. Then to finish the term off, camping at North Bay. Can’t wait for that one either. I’ve been on a few school camps, but never a whole school camp! Then two weeks off. I need it to recuperate after such a busy term, as do the kids. So enjoy your break and look forward to seeing you all at the beginning of Term 2, refreshed and ready for another busy term.

I would like to finish our newsletter insert with a couple of writing samples from two of our senior students, Isaac and Ryan. They have been working very hard with Mr Mason, and this is the final result. They’re fantastic!

The Dunbar Incident
Smash! Something hit my head very hard. Everything went dark. I knew that it was serious straight away. I blinked my eyes open but I couldn’t see. Horrified, I could feel myself dropping. It felt like I was falling slowly, like a feather. Bang! I heard people screaming. Crack! Someone had flung open the door to my cabin. I grabbed tightly. I was dragged out side. I was thrown into the abyss. The water covered me like a suffocating blanket.

Frantically kicking, my heart pounding in my chest, I desperately forced my head above the water. I took a breath. I heard a loud thundering rumble. The wave hit me like a brick wall. Horrified I felt like a can getting crushed. Suddenly I was lifted and fell onto something sharp.

The water sucked away and I was left lying on a rock. Immediately, I stared to move I was so sore I dismissed that thought out of my mind. I quickly scrambled away. I reached out and felt a cold and mossy rock. I climbed and got to safety.

I didn’t sleep that night. In the morning I heard a noise I blinked and looked around. When I looked up I saw something brown and ridged hanging down towards me. I touched it and someone yelled climb up. I did and got into the open world.

BY ISAAC MASON

Dunbar
Crack, bang! I saw water spilling in through the boat. I sprinted to the deck. All the life boats were full. So I ran to the edge of the boat and dived over the side into the water. I turned and watched. All of a sudden the boat got picked up by a big wave and then… BANG! Then it snapped in half.

Frantically kicking my heart pounding in my chest I desperately forced my head above the water I took a breath. I could hear a thundering rumble. The wave hit me like a bit of wood hit me in the stomach I was frightened all the air was knocked out of my lungs. It felt like a giant hand had picked me up and dropped me.

The water sucked away and I was left lying on rocks. Quickly, I scrambled up the rocks. I felt sore and battered. My teeth chattered with fear as I climbed further up the rocks.

I was there on the rocks for a day. I saw ships pass. I jumped up and down to try and signal them but they didn’t see me. The next afternoon, a young lad saw me. He came and lowered a rope down to me. I was the only survivor from the ship wreck.

By Ryan