

# E-SGOIL NEWS

**OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER** 

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## Focus on COP26



# PROVISION FROM E-SGOIL

In this edition of our newsletter we focus on the sessions which have been delivered across the range of our provision relating to the COP26 conference which took place earlier this month in Glasgow.

Read on to find out how learners from primary through to secondary took part in and contributed to learning about the conference and climate change.

We were delighted to work with a range of partners to deliver these sessions and thank them for their contribution.

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Welcome to the November edition of our monthly newsletter where we bring you news and updates from e-Sgoil. If you would like to have our monthly

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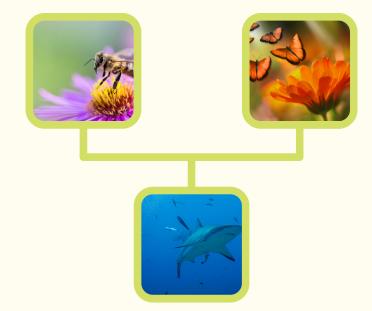
To support the COP26 initiative, DYW Live has been doing its part to promote sustainable and green careers to the young people who will be leading us into that future.

'Countdown to COP26' delivered five excellent webinars in the lead-up to COP26 showcasing people who work in sustainable fields. Recordings of the sessions can be found here DYW Live Countdown to COP26

'Inspiring The World of Work', delivered by Education Scotland, provided two Code Along sessions, promoting coding to save the oceans, bees and butterflies.

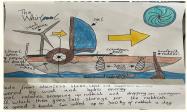
These sessions were hugely popular and saw over 6500 young people from 235 schools across Scotland learning how to code and about the importance of our oceans and pollinators.











'Inspiring The World of Work' worked with BAE Systems to deliver a fantastic challenge for schools, where pupils were tasked to design, draw and name a fully renewable ship. Over 500 entries were submitted and there were four winning teams: one for best logo, name, ship and design.

The name of the winning design will be adopted by BAE Systems and they will soon be the proud owner of a new river cleaning vessel, 'The Whirlpool'.

BAE SYSTEMS

Whilst not being delivered in response to COP26, we would be remiss not to highlight the wonderful sessions being delivered as part of 'Introduction to Offshore Renewable Energy' and 'BEAR Cubs Challenge'.





**Introduction to Offshore Renewable Energy** focuses on how we can produce sustainable, zero carbon energy for a greener future. The session on 24th November introduced learners to floating offshore wind power.

**Bear Cub Challenge** focused on how we can build bridges and roads in a sustainable manner. One of the sessions covered how we can create Sustainable Urban Drainage Solutions (SUDS) which is particularly relevant given the recent flooding experienced across the country.





COP26 has been a very exciting time for Scotland and those with an interest in a greener future from around the world. DYW Live has been excited to be able to do their part in working with our fantastic partners at Education Scotland, Founders4Schools and BAE Systems to deliver events promoting sustainable and green careers in the run-up to the event. These events have been huge successes and our programme will continue to include courses promoting sustainability such as those delivered by our partners at ORE Catapult and BEAR Scotland.

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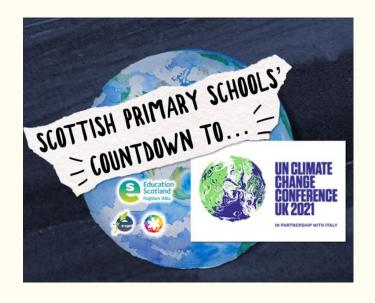


Click on the logo at the top of the previous page for more information about the DYW Live programme and what is on offer for learners and teachers.

### SCOTLAND'S ASSEMBLY

Between 17th September and 5th November we presented five special live online assemblies for primary schools exploring some of the topics relating to COP26.

These featured brilliant guests and we visited some amazing places. Details of each of these can be found on the next page and you can watch the recordings of each of these assemblies by clicking on the licon next to the information.



All of these sessions were supported by a Learning Space packed full of resources linked to the week's theme. These are designed for learners to navigate themselves with creative provocations provided to encourage them to explore, challenge, share and act!

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Part 2



### 24th September

Exploring social enterprise and reducing our impact on the planet with sustainable fashion shop

Apparelxchange in Glasgow



Our theme was Energy. We had a guest from Point & Sandwick Trust Windfarm and learned why energy is so important to climate change and what Scotland can do to make a difference.







# 8th October We were learning all about clean

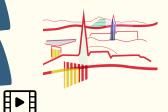
transport and the difference we can make by going green as we travel.

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We explored the key human behaviours needed when responding to climate change - adaptation and resilience. We were join by guests from the COP26 conference fringe venue "The Landing Hub"



A big thank you to all our fantastic guests from COAST Arran, ApparelXchange, Point & Sandwick Trust, Sustrans and The Landing Hub. Click on the organisation's logos above to find out more about the work they do.

Details about upcoming Scotland's Assemblies, plus information and videos of all our previous assemblies can be found on the e-Sgoil website **here** or on our **YouTube channel** 



## ATHARRACHADH NA GNÀTH-SHÌDE AGUS COP26 -

### DÈ TH'ANN AGUS DÈ AS URRAINN DHUINN A DHÈANAMH?

Ann an co-bhonn le **Keep Scotland Beautiful**, tha e-Sgoil air a bhith a' tabhainn sreath goirid de sheiseanan a tha ag amas air a bhith a' toirt fiosrachadh bunasach do sgoilearan FMG sa bhun-sgoil mu dè th' ann an atharrachadh na gnàth-shìde, carson a bha ceannardan bho air feadh an t-saoghail a thional ann an Glaschu airson COP26 agus dè 's urrainn dha na sgoilearan fhèin a dhèanamh san sgoil agus aig an taigh airson an lorg carboin aca a lùghdachadh.



Gach seachdain, chaidh dà sheisean a lìbhrigeadh do sgoilearan BS2-4 agus ceithir seiseanan do sgoilearan BS5-7 tro Teams ann an Glow. Bha fèill mhòr air na seiseanan seo agus nochd còrr is 60 sgoil ùidh ann a bhith a' dol an lùib annta.

Ri linn agus cho mòr 's a bha an t-iarrtas, bidh seiseanan gan tabhainn chun na h-ath-theirme - fada nas fhaide na na 6 seachdainean air an robhar ag amas an toiseach. Ged a tha COP26 seachad, tha a' chùis fhathast buntainneach is mar sin tha sinn den bheachd gu bheil e cudromach an cuspair a thoirt fa chomhair nan sgoilearan againn.

Anns a' chiad shreath de sheiseanan bha còrr is 350 sgoilear bho còrr is 20 bun-sgoil FMG ann an Alba an sàs.

Chaidh iarraidh air cuid de na sgoilearan beachdachadh air an eòlas a bh' aca air cùis na gnàth-shìde aig toiseach agus crìoch nan seiseanan. Bhon fhiosrachadh a fhuair sinn gu ruige seo, tha e follaiseach gu bheil an tuigse aca air a thighinn am feabhas gu mòr. Thuirt aon sgoil:

"Bha Bmh Nic a' Mhaoilein sgoinneil agus chòrd na seiseannan gu mòr leis a' chlas agam. Mòran taing airson an cothrom seo a thoirt dhuinn."



Airson barrachd fiosrachaidh mu chiamar as urrainn dhan chlas agaibh p-fhèin a dhol an lùib sheiseanan, cuiribh postdealain gu **e-sgoil@gnes.net** 



### **CLIMATE CHANGE AND COP26 -**

### WHAT IS IT AND WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP?



In partnership with **Keep Scotland Beautiful**, e-Sgoil has been facilitating a short series of sessions aiming to give GME primary learners an introduction into what climate change is, why world leaders were gathering together in Glasgow for COP26 and the positive steps learners can take in school and at home to reduce their carbon footprint.

Two sessions for P2-4 learners and four sessions for P5-7 learners were delivered on a weekly basis through Teams in Glow. The demand for the sessions has been very high with over 60 schools expressing interest in accessing the sessions. Due to the demand, delivery of these sessions has been extended beyond the initial 6-week period and into next term.





Although COP 26 is over, the issues still remain and so we feel this to be an important issue to address with our learners. The initial set of sessions were taken up by more than 350 learners from over 20 GME primary schools in Scotland.

Some of the learners were asked to rate their understanding of climate issues at the beginning and end of the sessions.

From the evaluations to date we see their understanding of the issues dramatically increased.

One school feedback was as follows:



"Mrs Macmillan was excellent and my class really enjoyed the sessions.

Thank you very much for this opportunity."

Please email **e-sgoil@gnes.net** for further information on how your class can take part in these sessions.



## **National e-Learning Offer**









The National e-Learning Offer complements the delivery of teaching and learning by schools and settings, local authorities and Regional Improvement Collaboratives in Scotland.

It is made up of three elements - live, recorded and supported resources. Live resources include interactive, online classes. Recorded resources are available to watch at any time. Supported resources include assessments, practical experiments, revision resources and more.



All resources have been created by educators for educators to support the development of learning opportunities across the curriculum, from the beginning of the Broad General Education through to the Senior Phase.

Click on the NeLO & West OS logos above to find out more and search the resource banks.



3rd & 17th December - Scotland's Assemblies for primary schools

13th-17th December - DYW Live Winter Pathways Week

Keep an eye on our website and social media channels for more information about these.

### **KEEP IN TOUCH WITH E-SGOIL**



Every Friday during term time we publish details of what's coming up the following week along with detailed timetables for the live Study Support webinars and DYW Live.

These are published on the homepage of our website as well as on our social media channels. Click on the logos below to be directed.



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