

January Newsletter

What happened this month

Kids loving the planting!



St Bridgets School were happily planting our trees and fruit bushes this month on site – luckily they brought the sun with them!

Fruit Walk under way

The planting of the new orchard is well under way with all our helpers from Arran High, Arran Outdoor Education Centre groups and other volunteers. There will be signage going up soon and a lovely fruit walk to explore and learn about the fruit trees, different ways to grow them, their crops and what we can use them for. Watch this space to find out more or have a wander around site to see for yourself!

Soft Fruit

100 soft fruit bushes are also being planted as part of our CCF project – gooseberries, red currants, black currants, raspberries and lots more types. Signage will go up on the varieties and uses of all that yummy fruit! If it all does not get eaten fresh we may get some jam!

Polytunnels update

More work is being done on in the tunnels with progress on the sitting area with delicate fruit trees at the end of the community tunnel.



Coming up in the Spring

- **Green Shows at Arran High and Lamlash Primary** – we are preparing to deliver two great green shows at the end of Feb and start of March – showcasing all things green, arty and including fashion & film elements. These will be the last big events of the currently funded project – look out for them if you have children in either school!
- **Community Meeting** date tbc – looking at future plans for the land

Regular Sessions to the end of March:

- **Growers Drop in Sessions** – run every Wednesday from 3-4pm with Darren and Matt. Open to everyone – not just our allotment plot holders. Also runs every first Saturday in the month 9-10am.
- **Volunteer Days** – 10am-12 on Saturday in the first weekend in the month.
- **Grubby Greenies Sessions!** 10-12 on first Saturday of the month

Notices & info – are put up in our hub building on site, in Whiting Bay village on notice boards and on our notice board in the foyer of Arran Active in Brodick - you can check activities and see more general project info. Regular updates are online on Facebook and (along with more formal info) on our website.

If you would like to keep in touch send your email address to development@arranland.org . *The Community Land is signposted off Golf Course Road in Whiting Bay. Follow the sign up the track to our car park which is now back in action. For all sessions, please wear sturdy shoes, bring refreshments and waterproofs just in case!*

ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULT AT ALL SESSIONS.

All welcome! Come and enjoy the Community Land!

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