

Welcome to issue 4 of our Uryside Link newsletter.

We can't believe we are at the end of term 1 already. However, with the darker mornings and evenings, the temperature starting to dip as well as the bugs and viruses making an appearance, we are all set for a break.

It has been a very, very busy term but it has been packed with a great deal of successes and super work going on across the nursery and school.

We end this term with a few round ups as well as some information for next term. Have a lovely break everyone.

As always, if you have any feedback, questions or queries then please contact the school email address. Uryside.sch@aberdeenshire.gov.uk



Parent Evenings

Next term we offer parents the opportunity to book an appointment to speak to your child's class teacher. These will be on Tuesday 14th November from 3.30-6pm and Wednesday 15th November from 5.30-8pm. Appointments are booked via our online booking service, all parents will be emailed details of this and the appointments will be available to book from 19:00 on the 31st October until 23:55 on the 12th November.

P3 Autumn Walks

P3 have enjoyed settling into their new class and area this term. We have been learning about Change for our topic this term. We have looked at changes in season between Summer and Autumn and have also explored changes in technology, music and toys over time. Last week, we enjoyed an Autumn walk together where we explored the changes and signs of Autumn. Here are some pictures of the fun we had:



Google Classrooms

A reminder that all information and notices for individual classes can be found on our google virtual classrooms. They also contain home learning activities and ideas.

Primary 1 – [All Primary 1](#)

Primary 2 – [All Primary 2](#)

Primary 3 – [All of Primary 3](#)



Primary 4 – [All of P4A, P4B and P3/4](#)

Primary 5 – [P5A and P5B](#)

Primary 6 – [P6](#) and [P6/7](#)

Primary 7 – [P7A](#) and [P7B](#)

Literacy Development Parent Questionnaire

We are looking to gather the views of parents on writing within Uryside School and would greatly appreciate it if parents and caregivers could take 5 minutes to complete a short survey. This will help us identify the improvement needs for writing which we will work on throughout this year. If you have already completed this questionnaire at the open afternoon then there is no need to do so again.

<https://forms.office.com/e/k7p9TW8pMy>

The DOT – Mrs Kinghorn

All classes from nursery to P7 listened to a story called 'The Dot' by Peter H Reynolds. It is a wonderful story about art and creativity. It helps to show that with a little perseverance and a change of perspective, amazing things are possible.

Each child has created/signed their own dot and signed it with their signature so that each child feels their artwork is valued and what better way to share this than to create a collaboration of all the dots.

We have N-P3 and P4-P7.

Great work everyone. Thanks

And remember

“Just make a mark and see where it takes you.”



Parent/Teacher Communication

A gentle reminder that if parents have any questions, queries or information to pass on regarding their child/children to please go through the school communication channels e.g. email to the school, telephone message or a note to the teacher. That way we can

ensure it gets answered and passed on in a timely manner. Please don't leave messages or queries on Learning Journals as these are not regularly checked by staff.

Halloween Disco

A reminder to please complete the online form if your children wish to attend our Halloween Disco on the 1st November:

<https://forms.office.com/e/FPn4n2dwNU>

P7 Ski Trip Information Night

All P7 parents and children are invited to an online meeting on Thursday 9 November at 7:15pm. Please use the link below to join this.

We will have Jenny Proctor from Nethybridge there to speak about the trip in more detail as well as sharing the kit list/ behaviour agreement and consent forms which will be distributed after. The meeting will give the opportunity to run through the timings of the trip and allow any questions to be asked.

We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 328 470 683 915

Passcode: 5kifaA

P5 Poppy Tea

P5 classes are holding their Poppy Tea on Friday 10th November. Family members of children in P5 are welcome to come to school for 9.00am for teas and coffees and then enjoy the children perform their assembly at 9.30am.

We would like photos sent of any family, friends or important people that anyone in the school would like to remember from the War or conflicts. Please send these into the school email address or hand in a physical picture which we will scan and return. Make sure you put who the important person is to the child in the school.

Any local photographs which depict the wars would also be most welcome.

We will send out a form for you to complete for an indication for teas and coffees.

Uryside Diary Dates overview 2023-24

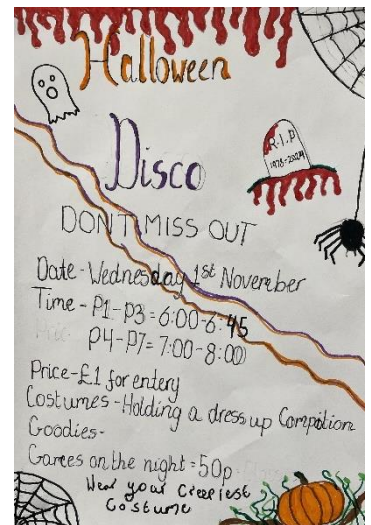
These are up to date as of 13/10/23 – updates highlighted

October

13th October – End of Term 1

30th October – Term 2 begins

November



1st November – Halloween Disco – P1-P3: 6pm-6.45pm; P4-P7: 7pm-8pm

10th November – P5 Poppy Community Café and Assembly – 9am start for parents and families of P5 pupils

14th November – parent/ teacher meetings – 3:30 – 6pm

15th November – parent / teacher meetings – 5:30pm – 8pm

16th November – INSET – school closed for pupils

17th November – INSET – school closed or pupils

21st November – Books and Bosies – timings tbc

23rd November – Parent Forum – 6:30pm at Uryside and Online

December

5th December - Nursery Nativity – am

7th December -Nursery Nativity – pm

8th December – Santa run and Christmas Jumper Day

12th December – P1 nativity – am

13th December – P1 nativity – pm

14th December – P1 nativity – am

15th December – School Sing-along and Christmas craft sale – pm - tbc

20th December – Nursery party - pm

21st December – P1 Christmas Party – pm

22nd December – P2 Christmas Party – am

Christmas Lunch and other parties tbc

22nd December – End of Term 2

January

8th January – Start of Term 3

25th January – P4 Burns Community Café and Assembly – 2pm start for parents of families of P4 pupils

February

9th February – Local holiday – school closed to all

12th February – Mid term holiday – school closed to all

13th February – INSET – school closed to pupils

14th February - INSET - school closed to pupils

21st February – Open afternoon – curricular activities – 2pm start

March

Start of reading month for all

7th March – World Book Day

8th March – P3 community café and Assembly – 1:30pm start

20th March – P6 Altnacriche Trip

22nd March -Uryside Easter Bingo at Uryside School – timing to be confirmed

28th March – end of term 3

29th March – Good Friday – School closed to everyone

April

15th April – Term 4 starts

26th April - School reports issued

May

6th May – May Day Holiday – school closed to all

10th May – P2 Community Café and Assembly – 1:30 start for parents of families of P2 pupils

21st May – Provisional Sports Day

28th May – reserve sports day

30th May - Shorts and Shades Summer Disco

June

3rd June – local holiday – school closed to all

7th June – Uryside School Community Summer Fayre

17th June – Open Afternoon Showcase

26th June – P7 Show

27th June – P7 Show

July

3rd July – Potted Sports (am)

4th July – Whole School Assembly and P7 awards