Welcome to issue 5 of our Uryside Link newsletter.

Our P5 pupils delivered a poignant Remembrance Assembly for pupils and parents this week; highlighting the importance to remember all of those who gave their lives during the various wars.

Next week we have our parent/teacher meetings followed by holiday weekend when school will be closed to pupils on the 16th and 17th of November.

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





Parent Evenings

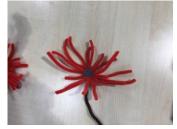
The vast majority of appointment times have now been taken and the online system comes to a close on Monday 13th. If you would still like an appointment to speak to your child's class teacher, please contact the school office and this can be

arranged. Information regarding entry to the school and waiting areas will be emailed to all parents on Monday 13th November. So please keep an eye on your inbox!

P4 Poppies and Rainforest Work

In P3/4, we have been looking at the nature in our local environment. We investigated different plants and trees that grow locally and identified and described them during our writing lessons. We also made some beautiful and bright red poppies to celebrate Remembrance Day.





P4a have been learning about remembrance. We have looked at who, why and how we remember this important event. The children then traced their own poppies and used craft paper to create their own artwork.





P4B have been investigating different layers of the rainforest. We created our own blue morpho butterflies which can be found on the forest layer and understory of the rainforest. We used pastels and then water colours to create a 3D effect.





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 – <u>All Primary 1</u>

Primary 2 – All Primary 2

Primary 3 – All of Primary 3

Primary 4 - All of P4A, P4B and P3/4

Primary 5 – <u>P5A and P5B</u>

Primary 6 – $\underline{P6}$ and $\underline{P6/7}$

Primary 7 – $\underline{P7A}$ and $\underline{P7B}$



If you are having trouble accessing the sites e.g. it's asking you to frequently log into a Google account; we've been advised that clearing your browser history can solve the issue.

Winter vomiting

Unfortunately, we appear to have a bout of winter vomiting circulating the school with a number of pupils being unwell in school; as a result we've stepped up the cleaning and regular handwashing. A reminder please that <u>any child sick should remain absent from school at least 48 hours since the last bout of sickness/upset stomach</u>. If your child is complaining of a sore stomach, is off their food or generally appears 'under the weather'; please err on the side of caution and keep them at home until they are well enough to return to school.

Flu Immunisations

We have the immunisation team in school on Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th November. If you have provided consent then your child will receive their immunisation on one of those dates. If there are any changes to your child's medical needs or if they are on new antibiotics/medicine to treat a condition, please contact the school to update their records.

Rotary Shoeboxes

We had a superb response to our Rotary Shoebox appeal to the extent we have been rapidly trying to locate some more empty boxes! A huge thank you again to everyone that supported this appeal, apologies to those who were unable to receive a box. The requests and form is now closed.

P6 Alltnacriche Trip

The deposit deadline has now passed so please contact the school asap if you have still to pay and you wish your child to attend this trip. A reminder of all the recommended payment dates:

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£65.00 - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October.
£80 - Monday the 4<sup>th</sup> December
£80 - Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> February
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Total to be paid by the 8th February 2024: £225. Details on how to pay are available to view <u>here</u>.

Halloween Disco

We raised over £680 from our Halloween Disco which is a fantastic total. This includes all the expenditure from putting the event on. A huge thank you to the P7 pupils and staff that organised the event and those that came along to support it.

KOOTH – Supporting Mental Health of Young People

KOOTH is an online mental health support service support by Aberdeenshire Council and the Scottish Government. This month is running the following support services:

- How Kooth promotes and supports staying safe online
 - o Mon 6 Nov, <u>12-1pm</u> or <u>6-7pm</u>
- Support for young people experiencing anxiety or stress this winter <u>Thurs 14</u> <u>Dec, 6-7pm</u>

More information on the help and support Kooth is offer is available to view here.

Uryside Diary Dates overview 2023-24

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

November

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14<sup>th</sup> November – parent/ teacher meetings – 3:30 – 6pm
15<sup>th</sup> November – parent / teacher meetings – 5:30pm – 8pm
16<sup>th</sup> November – INSET – school closed for pupils
17<sup>th</sup> November – INSET – school closed or pupils
21<sup>st</sup> November – Books and Bosies – timings tbc
23<sup>rd</sup> November – Parent Forum – 6:30pm at Uryside and Online
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December

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5th December - Nursery Nativity – am
7<sup>th</sup> December -Nursery Nativity – pm
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8<sup>th</sup> December – Santa run and Christmas Jumper Day

12<sup>th</sup> December – P1 nativity – am

13<sup>th</sup> December – P1 nativity – pm

14<sup>th</sup> December – P1 nativity – am

15<sup>th</sup> December – School Sing-along and Christmas craft sale – pm - tbc

20<sup>th</sup> December – Nursery party – pm

21st December – P1 Christmas Party – pm

22<sup>nd</sup> December – P2 Christmas Party – am

Christmas Lunch and other parties tbc
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<u>January</u>

8th January – Start of Term 3

22nd December - End of Term 2

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

February

 9^{th} 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

19th February – individual and family school photographs (whole school and Nursery)

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

<u>April</u>

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15<sup>th</sup> April – Term 4 starts
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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

<u>June</u>

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

<u>July</u>

3rd July – Potted Sports (am)

4th July – Whole School Assembly and P7 awards