We would like to wish all of our families a fantastic summer break. It has been a busy final term; a closure for some, a chance to reflect and look forward to new challenges that lie ahead. Thanks to all that have supported the many events that have taken place this term, we hope to have another full calendar in place early next session.

As always, if you have any feedback, questions or queries then please contact the school email address. Uryside.sch@aberdeenshire.gov.uk All queries for staff should be sent to the school email address, that way we can ensure they are answered in a timely manner. Please report all pupil absences before 9am, our office staff spend a

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considerable amount of time each morning trying to locate pupils not in school. Thank you.

Mrs Fowler Retirement

All of Uryside School came together to wish Mrs Maggie Fowler a happy, healthy and thoroughly well-deserved retirement. With over 25 years of dedicated service to formerly Market Place School and latterly Uryside School, as well as volunteering many hours on a weekly basis to teach the very young how to swim; it's time to now dedicate to some more time to herself and her ever expanding number of grandchildren. The whole of Uryside community wishes her all the very best in her new adventures and I'm sure she will not be a stranger to us! She would like to thank everyone that contributed to her leaving gift, a donation of funds to purchase new playground equipment for the school. Over £800 was raised and Mrs fowler would like to round this up to £1000.



Staff Changes

We welcome Mrs Tonya Tennant and Mr Craig Holland to our staff teaching team. Both will join us after the summer break; Mrs Tennant in P2/3 and Mr Holland in P5B. Mrs Diane Edwards will also be joining the staff team, and we welcome her to support our early years classes.

Mr Evans and Ms Boyd will both be moving onto pastures new. We thank them for their hard work and dedication across the session. We wish them both well in their next steps in their teaching careers.

Mrs Suzanne Henrick, Mrs Emma Strathdee and Ms Kirsty Stewart have left Uryside School following the end of their contracts. All have been a great support to our pupils and the Pupil Support Assistant team. We welcome Mrs Pam Watt and Mrs Margaret Sinclair to the PSA team. Mrs Watt will be joining us from Strathburn School and Mrs Sinclair from Port Elphinstone in August.

Health and Sports week

Pupils across Uryside School enjoyed a week of sporting and health related activities and what a variety of events we were able to organise for them; a huge thank you to Ms H Stewart and Mrs L Glennie for arranging the

Pupils experienced activities from: football, rugby, golf, badminton, yoga, skipping, cooking, cycling, boccia, martial arts...and many more! We also had a special guest appearance at our Friday assembly from Louise Christie, commonwealth medallist in rhythmic gymnastics. Louise brought her medals and various apparatus from her routine in to show everyone.



New House Captains Announced

A panel made up of the former house captains, teachers and senior leadership team met to make the incredibly difficult decision to select our new house captains, vice and sports captains. P6 pupils were invited to make a presentation to highlight their skills, ideas and qualities which the pupils competed admirably and to their credit. After lengthy discussions and very close calls the final decisions were made:

Mithertap (red House)

Captain - Jack Ogg, Vice-Captain - Elliot Robertson, Sports Captain - Hillary Emele

OxenCraig (Yellow house)

Captain – Maria Frost, Vice-Captain – Cameron Bowman, Sports Captain – Logan Norrie

Esson (green house)

Captain – Florence Bateman, Vice-Captain – Niamh Greenhorn, Sports Captain – Zara Campbell

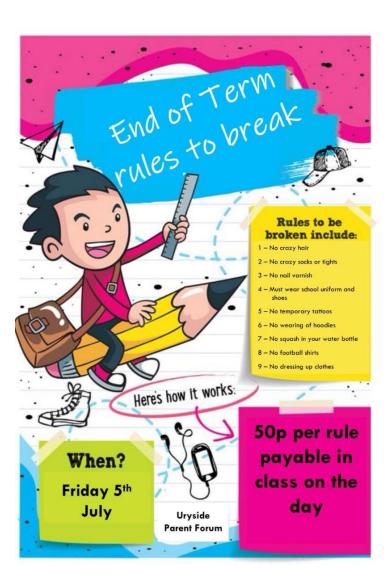
Craigshannoch – (Blue house)

Captain – Charlie Cowie, Vice-Captain – Watson Laird, sports Captain – Katie Shields

P7 Leavers

This week marked the end of an era for our P7 pupils and the start of a new chapter for them. They completed their celebrations with a trip into the cinema in Aberdeen and this accumulates in their awards ceremony on Thursday. We thank them all for what they bring to Uryside School and wish them well in their new adventures.





<u>Uryside Diary Dates – An new overview will be available next session</u>

Monday 19th August – staff In-service day (school closed to pupils)

Tuesday 20th August – start of new session for pupils.