

WHAT'S ON:

MOTHERS DAY

Sunday 14th March

ALL PUPILS RETURN

Monday 15th March

RED NOSE DAY

Friday 19th March



Uryside School News

The life of the school

Friday, 12 March 2021

All Primary Pupils to Return P4-P7 to return to school on 15th March

The First Minister confirmed this week that Pupils in primaries 4 to 7 could return to school full time from Monday 15th March.

It will be fabulous to see everyone return on Monday. We can't wait to get everyone back together again. At Uryside School we will continue to operate a staggered start and finish time, very similar to the timings we used prior to the Christmas break. All 'A' classes, including P1C and P4/5, will start at 9am and end at 3pm. 'B' classes will begin at 9.10am and end at 3.10pm. Pupils in Primary 3 upwards should make their way to their line up areas (see Sway) Primary 1 and 2 at the same designated line up areas. Our Sway presentation has been updated and is available to view here:

<https://sway.office.com/wAUE2XmXvBvhSc7F?ref=Link>

As ever, there will be staff on duty at the beginning and end of each day to guide pupils to their line up or classroom areas. We again encourage all parents not to congregate around the campus and maintain the 2m social distance.

The school will continue with stringent cleaning and ventilation processes, sharing of resources will be kept to an absolute minimum and class bubbles will remain in operation including for play times. There will be a minimal exchange of items between home and school e.g. snack, water bottles, packed lunches only. Such measures are in place to ensure we can remain fully open.

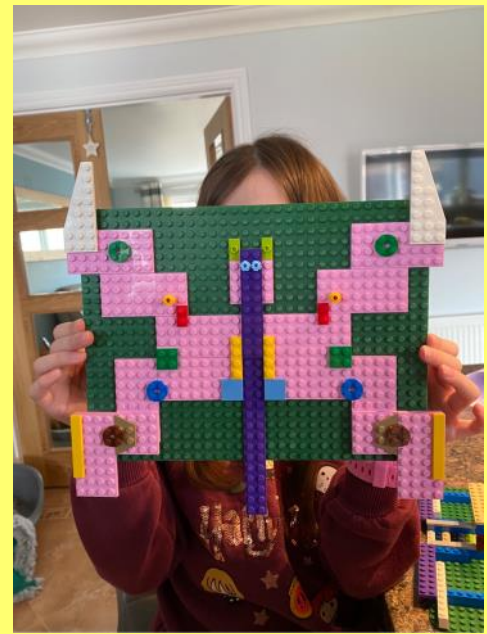
The first minister also announced a further 'progressive easing' of some restrictions. From Friday 12th March, up to 4 adults from 2 households will

be able to meet outdoors including gardens. Adults (and those aged 12-17) can take part in non-contact sports and group exercise with up to 15 people.



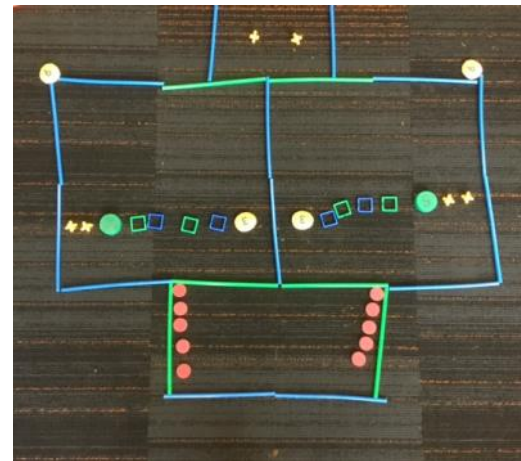
School Transport Guidance

For the attention of parents of pupils who receive school transport. This includes transport to and from after school clubs. Please see updated guidance [here](#).



Pi Day—Get Creative with Shape and Symmetry

Thursday 11th March marked the annual celebration of Pi day a national mathematical event. At Uryside School, we decided to get creative with shapes and symmetry. Thanks to everyone for sharing their designs.



SHANARRI Work at Uryside

Last week we focused on RESPECT as part of our SHANARRI topic. Click on the link below to see some of the activities that have been happening at home and school.

<https://tinyurl.com/ea484mr2>

Funding available for families with pre-school age children on a low income—Nursery Pupils Only

Funding has been made available to support families with pre-school age children in funded early learning and childcare settings who meet the eligibility for free school meals.

Payment

Families who are eligible will receive a payment of £135.00 per child. This payment includes the £100 Spring Hardship payment announced by the Scottish Government and an extra amount to cover meals over the Easter Break. This is comprised of 2 weeks free school meals entitlement at £12.50 per week and £5.00 per week breakfast money. Payment will be made on or around 31 March 2021.

Eligibility Criteria

Children will be eligible if they are aged 2 up to primary 1 and the household is in receipt of any of the following:

Income Support (IS)

Income Based Job Seekers Allowance (JSA)

Pension Credit (Guarantee Credit)

Any income related element of Employment Support Allowance

Child Tax Credit (CTC), but not Working Tax Credit (WTC), and have an income of less than £16,105

Both Child Tax Credit and Working Tax Credit with an income of less than £7,330

Support under Part VI of the [Immigration and Asylum Act 1999](#)

Universal Credit with a monthly take home pay of less than £610

How to apply

To apply for this payment please complete the following form by 26 March 2021 –

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=BpPZ_i1NCUSVndDttzBKC7TGaw22ALJG13duKPtaxvpURFQwU0JHMDFSNDkySVIBStHDS1BDQzUxVCQIQCN0PWcu

Families of school aged children apply via the [Free School Meals Webpage](#). Families already in receipt of free school meals don't need to reapply.

Self Isolating or Absent From School Resources

Any families absent for a period of time or requiring to self isolate can access a wealth of information and resources on our virtual classroom. Click the link below:

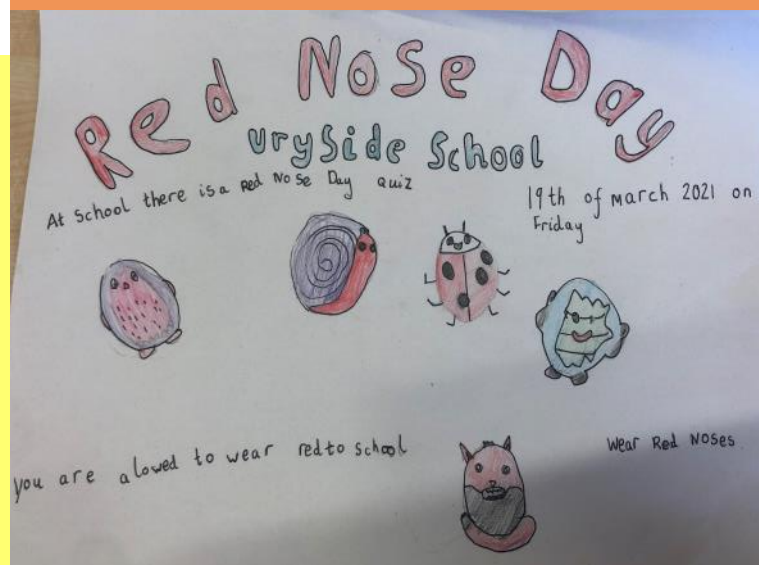
<https://tinyurl.com/Urysidevirtualclassroom>



Red Nose Day

Red Nose Day is on Friday 19th March. Children can wear red on that day and bring a small donation if they wish.

Red noses will arrive in school next week, please send the correct money in a named envelope. Class teachers will hand out red noses when money has been received.



Bike Online

This week, Sustrans has launched the Big Pedal for 2021 (19th to 30th of April). Research has shown that the Big Pedal boosts cycling, walking and scooting on the school journey and those increased numbers stay higher after the challenge has finished! If you would like to find out more <https://bigpedal.org.uk/>. There's also an introduction here by Dame Sarah Story <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=012IJ8h3QbY>.

We hope that the P4-7 return to school goes smoothly. Hopefully the weather will be kind and allow some time for learning outdoors. We do have lots of resources that will help:

Outdoor learning activities - <https://ibike.sustrans.org.uk/resources/outdoor-learning/>

Fun outdoor activities - <https://ibike.sustrans.org.uk/get-going-games/>. Mins missions & Scavenger hunt could work really well in the playground!

Some of our remote Learning resources are ideal for playground and local green spaces - <https://ibike.sustrans.org.uk/remote-learning/>

PE with ASV (Aberdeen Sports Village)

This is our last week of PE with ASV, for P1-P4 we have "Rise & Shine" ideal for the P4's at home and for using in school for the P1-P3 children. The link for the class is here; www.youtube.com/watch?v=otTjRFRC-il&t=1s

For P5-P7 we have "Fantastic Five" and the link is here; www.youtube.com/watch?v=W7RhdnphHzs&t=1s

We also have a Boxercise class running on Saturday morning at 11am which is suitable for P1-P7 and of course for the grown-ups to join in too! The link will go live at 11am via: www.aberdeensportsvillage.com/lockdown-fitness

Holiday Dates:

THURSDAY 1 ST APRIL 2021	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR EASTER BREAK
MONDAY 19 TH APRIL 2021	SCHOOL RE-OPENS
MONDAY 3 RD MAY 2021	MAY DAY HOLIDAY
Monday 7 th June 2021	Local holiday
FRIDAY 25 TH JUNE 2021	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS
MONDAY 16 TH AUGUST 2021	IN-SERVICE DAY
TUESDAY 17 TH AUGUST 2021	SCHOOL RE-OPENS
FRIDAY 15 TH OCTOBER 2021	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR OCTOBER HOLIDAYS
MONDAY 1 ST NOVEMBER 2021	SCHOOL RE-OPENS
THURSDAY 18 TH NOVEMBER 2021	IN-SERVICE DAY
FRIDAY 19 TH NOVEMBER 2021	IN-SERVICE DAY
TUESDAY 21 ST DECEMBER 2021	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
WEDNESDAY 5 TH JANUARY 2022	SCHOOL RE-OPENS

Other Holiday dates available to view [here](#).

Stay Home, Stay Active with Active Schools Week

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This week promises to be a bumper week of activity in our #StayActive series. We're bringing you lots of fantastic activities and challenges to take part in.

First up is our second "By Kids for Kids" challenge and this week it is Burpees. How many can you complete in 60 seconds? Can you or your pupils reach the Gold standard.

A video giving an example of the challenge is available on the Live Life Aberdeenshire YouTube channel but check out the attachment for full instructions.

By Kids for Kids Challenge 2 - <https://youtu.be/Q0PMMWx79cl>

If that wasn't enough, on social media we also have Seated Exercise with Fiona on Wednesday at 2pm, Football Skills with Andy on Thursday at 2pm and Fun Fitness with Ashleigh on Friday at 2pm this week so there's lots of great activities to get pupils moving.

Seated Exercises with Fiona 2 - <https://youtu.be/fLK60Yduavo>

Football Skills with Andy 4 - <https://youtu.be/RabKRMRHwBo>

Fun Fitness with Ashleigh Session 5 - <https://youtu.be/b5tEWgc6coQ>

These videos are available now on the Live Life Aberdeenshire YouTube channel within the Active Schools Join In Playlist.

Active Schools Join in Playlist - <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLf9SJJ0IgiNL5zD4xvzj9nYXJkTvqOuE6>

Archie's Quizzes

Archie's back this week with a general sports quiz for everyone to take part in. Each quiz is designed for a specific age group however why not give them all a go and see what you know about sport.

P1 - P3 - <http://bit.ly/ArchiesQuiz2P1-P3>

P4 - P7 - <http://bit.ly/ArchiesQuiz2P4-P7>

"If people are doubting how far you can go, go so far that you can't hear them anymore."

MICHELE RUIZ



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