

WHAT'S ON:

GOOD FRIDAY

(School Closed)

Friday 2nd April

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday 4th April

SCHOOL RETURNS

Monday 19th April



Uryside School News

The life of the school



Thursday, 1st April 2021

Outdoor Learning Grows More Developments and Projects ahead

We have an exciting time ahead as the outdoor learning project at Uryside School, led by Mrs Johnston, grows and grows. We are lucky to have such an expansive area of playground space but it's exposure to the elements brings its own challenges.



This Saturday, 3rd April, from 10-11.30am there will be a mass planting operation. Banchory Estate have kindly donated willow trees to allow us some shelter at the bottom of our playground ar-

ea. With the weather set fair, we aim to have these all put in place.

Outdoor learning comes with many benefits for pupils especially during this pandemic. [The Council for Learning Outside the Classroom \(CLOC\)](#) states: "The outdoor environment encourages skills such as problem solving and negotiating risk which are important for child development," whilst also highlighting that, on average, children are spending less time outside due to safety fears and diminishing green space.

We also have in the pipeline the

construction of 2 outdoor classrooms and storage space. CHAP Homes and Construction will be laying the



foundations for these over the Easter break. We thank Graeme and his team very much for their assistance with this. However, we are seeking assistance from the parent body to help construct the wooden buildings.

The buildings will be arriving from Deeside Log Cabins and require some minor joinery skills to help put together. If you are able to assist us with these, or know of someone who can, please can you contact the school.

Director of Education Letter

The director of Education for Aberdeenshire Council issued a letter to all parents this week. The letter is available to read [here](#).

SHANARRI—Nursery work

We would like to share some of the Health and Wellbeing activities our Nursery have been involved in for the final part of our SHANARRI work for the term.

Nursery have been working on the book 'The Colour Monster'. They have made their own colour monster display and have been engaging with the story to help them to explore their feelings. Children also do an emotion check in every day. They each have their own stick that they put in a coloured tin to share their emotion, they can then choose to share why they feel that way or they can act out their feeling.



Community Fare Share

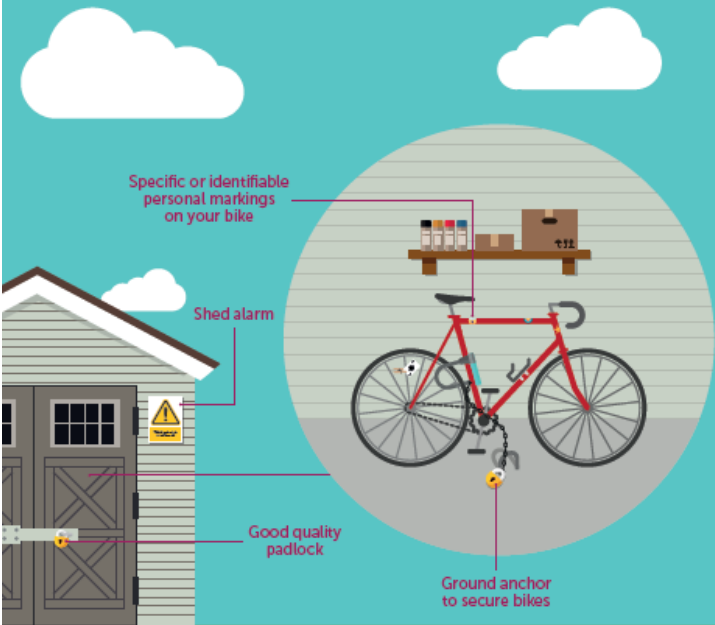
Please see our video compiled by our nursery children regarding the Fare Share scheme:

<https://vimeo.com/528546819>

Password: Uryside

Free every day item essentials and surplus food supplies. Please help yourself and help save these items going to landfill.

LOCK IT, DON'T LOSE IT



POLICE SCOTLAND
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Pedal Protect Campaign

Police Scotland have released a new campaign to make people aware of the importance of keeping bikes, scooters, out buildings secure. Please see the poster (left) and an information leaflet released [here](#).

Holiday Recovery Consultation

Please see links below to two surveys, from the Community Learning and Development team, for young people and parents to complete to help inform the school holiday programmes. Also attached is a consultation programme outline for your information.

It would be appreciated if you could please circulate these surveys for completion by as many young people and parents as possible. The views of young people and parents are critical in ensuring that programmes are created to meet the social and wellbeing needs of children, young people and families during the school holidays. In recognition of programmes being developed on a cluster basis, it is important that views from young people and parents from all 17 clusters are sought.

[Young People Survey Holiday Activities – Engage Aberdeenshire](#)

[Parent Survey Holiday Activities – Engage Aberdeenshire](#)

Please note the closing date of the survey is Sunday 25th April.



All EU/EEA/Swiss citizens who arrive in the UK before **31/12/2020**, and their family members, must apply to the EU Settlement Scheme by **30/06/2021**.

THE EU SETTLEMENT SCHEME GIVES YOU AND YOUR FAMILY THE RIGHT TO:

- Live
- Work
- Study
- Access free health service
- Access benefits and social support

Without a valid immigration status after 30/06/2021, you will lose your right to live in the United Kingdom.

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If you need help with your application, please contact us to receive **FREE** advice and support.

Monday - Friday, 9.00 am - 5.00 pm

- **Text message** or **WhatsApp** on 07803302173 or 07518926137 (in English or other EU languages)
- **Phone** 07803302173 (English and Polish) or 07518926137 (English and Spanish)
- **Email** to enid@feniks.org.uk or info@citizensrightsproject.org (in English and any other EU language)



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HAVE YOU SECURED YOUR FUTURE IN THE UK?

APPLY TO THE EU SETTLEMENT SCHEME. THE DEADLINE IS 30TH JUNE 2021.

UK Settlement Applications

Schools throughout the country have been asked to distribute guidance for any EU residents who do not currently have UK citizenship. Anyone in this situation, this includes children, must apply through the EU settlement scheme. Please explore and share the linked Padlet from the Citizens' Rights Project with any relevant families. You can download a leaflet translated into all of the most commonly spoken European languages in Aberdeenshire.

[Citizens Rights Project \(shared\) \(padlet.com\)](#)

I Bike Resources

I hope the last few weeks have gone well for pupils' returning to school. We are planning to move to sending out resources on a monthly basis from this point onwards. All of the previous links and lessons are still available for you to use at any time. If you have any suggestions for resources you'd like to see, please get in touch.

We have a few things that may help in planning for the coming term (after a well-earned Easter Break!)

A new [Active Calendar](#) - Awareness Days and events each month that provide great opportunities to build being active into the school calendar. Each month has links that take you straight to our prepared resources for each event. For example

Sustrans Big Pedal – This year's competition runs from the 19th to 30th of April. Here's how to register https://youtu.be/ibQWZY_BGaQ

Hold the date! – Thursday May 20th is [Outdoor Classroom Day](#). We have lots of resources to help make the most of this event!

New [I Bike Crew resources](#) – We know that many I Bike Crews have not been able to do as much as they'd like. We have a new I Bike crew guide and workbook for them to plan their activities. All the info is available on the website and can be accessed by pupils without needing a password. We have printed booklet versions of the bike crew guide, just let me know if you'd like some sent to school.

Stay Home, Stay Active with Active Schools Week 11

We've made it to the last week of an interesting and eventful term. This week we've got lots of activities to offer and a sneak peak into our brand new Easter challenge from our mascot Archie the Stag.

First up, we have our fifth "By Kids for Kids" challenge and this week it is Throw, Clap, Catch. How many can you complete in 60 seconds and how quickly can you do it? Can you achieve Gold, Silver or Bronze?

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

By Kids for Kids Challenge 5 – <https://youtu.be/c9JgooZTHNA>

The Live Life Aberdeenshire YouTube channel and our social media content will include the last Seated Exercise with Fiona session on Wednesday at 2.45pm and Football Skills with Andy on Thursday at 2.45pm.

Seated Exercises with Fiona 5 will be available on YouTube on Wednesday

Football Skills with Andy 7 - <https://youtu.be/OTCWFOmvEgI>

Active Schools Join in Playlist - <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLf9SJJ0IgiNL5zD4xvzj9nYXJkTvgOuE6>

Archie The Stag's Easter Challenge

Whilst we've been busy creating online sessions and challenges, our mascot Archie the Stag has been busy coming up with ideas on how to keep you active during the Easter holidays.

Archie has created a fantastic set of resources and ideas to help inspire and motivate you to get active and have some fun during the Easter break in some (hopefully) nice weather.

All Archie's resources and ideas are available on the Live Life Aberdeenshire website.

Archie's Easter Challenge – <https://www.livelifeberdeenshire.org.uk/media/6714/easter-challenge.pdf>

Run4Fun 2021

It's almost the end of another month and that means it's time to ensure that all runs completed are recorded on our online form.

Submission Form - <https://bit.ly/Run4Fun2021>

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](#).



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