

WHAT'S ON:

MAY DAY HOLIDAY

(School Closed)

Monday 3rd May

REPORTS TO PARENTS

Friday 4th June

OPTIONAL PARENT INTERVIEWS

8th and 9th June



Uryside School News

The life of the school

Friday, 30th April 2021

Pupils Return to Dining Hall as country restrictions ease

Following the reopening of all shops, cafes and restaurants, we are pleased to have reached the stage where we can reopen our dining hall to all pupils. As in the rest of society, tight restrictions will remain in operation.

Implemented as part of the return to school guidance following the first lockdown, pupils have been having lunch in their classrooms. From Tuesday 4th May, all classes will now be using the dining hall to eat their lunch. This follows a successful trial with the Nursery and P1 classes to help to familiarise themselves with the lunchtime setup.

All classes will follow strict guidance that keeps them in their

class bubbles e.g. no classes will be mixing with any other, pupils will eat with their class only and movement around the dining hall will be kept to a minimum following a strict one way system.

The familiar lunch times will still be followed which will give us 2



'sittings' of lunch. All tables will be cleaned thoroughly in between the sittings. A visual rep-

resentation of the plan is available for parents to view [here](#) and share with their children.

We certainly hope this is one of many changes to lead us safely back to 'normal'. For advice and guidance on the other easing of lockdown changes, there is more information [here](#).

Guidance on [school menus](#), [nutritional information](#) and information on the [new school foods regulations](#) are available to view on the links.



School Meals Page on Website

Following all the school meals changes that have occurred, we have created a new page on the school website as a reference point for parents. It can be accessed [here](#).

SHANARRI—Parental Survey

We would very much appreciate if you could spend a short moment to complete the following very short survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/LK5DJZQ>

A member of staff is completing a research project and requires the views of parents to assist her in this. Last term we had a weekly SHANARRI focus in school and shared the learning with you via the newsletter and facebook. We are seeking feedback on how effective this programme and process was.

P1 Art Competition Winners!

Back in December, P1 pupils took part in a Games and Wildlife Conservation Trust Wildlife Competition. The standard of work was exceptional. Well done to all the pupils who took part.

Here are the winners who will receive a certificate and prizes.

Commended- Tyler S, Freya B and Lewis M

Runner up- Eilidh S

Winner – Rory C



Virtual Storytelling Sessions

Live Life Aberdeenshire libraries are delighted to offer weekly virtual storytelling for children aged 3-5 and 6-8 years, sessions are led by the library team.

Starting 22nd April from 4.00-4.30pm join Ali and Mette for a live storytelling session suitable for children aged 3-5 years.

Booking is essential in order to receive your virtual email invite.

To access our full virtual storytelling programme of sessions go to <https://tinyurl.com/ym5b6dpj> to register and book your place.

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 essential items and surplus food supplies. Please help yourself and help save these items going to landfill.

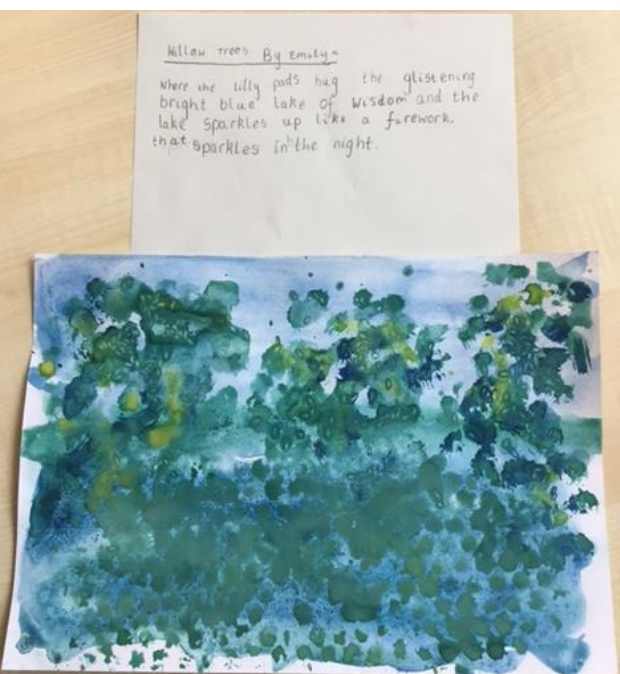
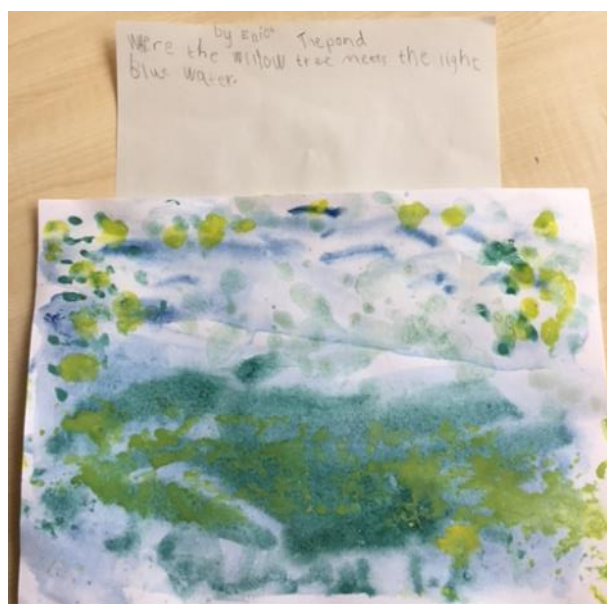
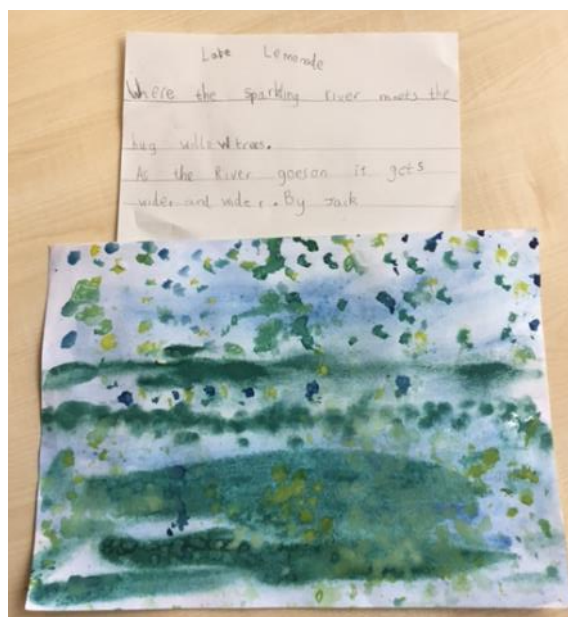
Headphones Required!

We are putting an urgent appeal out for all pupils to bring in their own set of headphones. These will be required across the school from next week. With restrictions still in place, the sharing of any resources can be problematic. Of course, we will ensure no child is left out.



P3 Pondscapes

Primary 3 have been experimenting with different materials in paint to make various effects. They created a Pondscape based on the book Tadpole's Promise and wrote a description for their artwork.



Active Schools Inverurie—Cluster Programme Term 4 2020/21

Activity Name	Year Group	Days / Dates	Time	Venue	Cost / Booking
Tennis *FULL*	P4-S2	Mondays, 10/05-21/06 (except 07/06)	4-5pm	Inverurie Community Campus-Games Hall	£18 - Active Schools
Yoga	P1-P7	Mondays, 10/05-14/06 (except 07/06)	4-4.45pm	Inverurie Community Campus-Dance Studio	£15 - Active Schools
NEW! Dance Fitness	P4-P7	Mondays, 10/05-21/06 (except 07/06)	5.50 - 6.40pm	Inverurie Community Campus-Dance Studio	£18 - Active Schools (max. 16 participants)
Running Club *FULL*	P4-S	Tuesdays, 04/05-15/06	4-5pm	Inverurie Community Campus-Games Hall	£14 - Active Schools (max. 16 participants)
Skipping & Multi-sports	P1-P3 P4-P7	Thursdays, 06/05-17/06	4-4.30pm 4.50-5.30pm	Inverurie Community Campus-Gym 1	£14 - Active Schools
Introduction to Athletics *FULL*	S1-S6	Fridays, 07/05-18/06	3-4pm	Inverurie Community Campus-Gym 1	£21 - Active Schools
Basketball *FULL*	P1-P7	Fridays, 07/05-18/06	4:30-5:30pm	Inverurie Community Campus-Games Hall	£14 - Active Schools

How to Apply – Please complete the online form found here: <http://bit.ly/ASInverurie>

Payment (If applicable) – Please do not send any payment at this point. The payment process will be detailed in the confirmation email

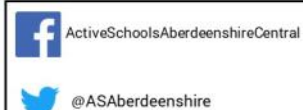
Additional Information – Please wear clothing and footwear suitable for physical activity, and bring a bottle of water/non-fizzy juice. For sessions that are full, we do have waiting lists available.

Active Aberdeenshire – Active Schools activities are included in the Active Aberdeenshire membership scheme, please contact the organiser of these activities for more information

Covid Safe—All Active Schools activities are *covid safe* by following Scottish Government, sportsScotland, National Governing Body and Aberdeenshire Council guidance.

Contact Details

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Run Garioch

Rather than postpone Run Garioch for a third time, the race committee has decided on a more positive course of action: to turn this year's Run Garioch – including the CP&Co. Junior Run – into a virtual community-focused event.

The first – and hopefully only – Virtual Run Garioch will therefore take place from midnight Friday, 7 May and continue until 11.59pm on Sunday, 16 May.

During that time all runners will be encouraged to run their race distance – not necessarily their actual race route – at a time and location of their choosing.

Junior runners who've 'moved up' a distance or two since signing up for the March 2020 event can either run their original distance or their 'new one': 600m for ages 4, 5, 6; 1000m for ages 7, 8, 9; 2000m for ages 10, 11, 12; 5k for runners over the age of 13; 5k or 10k for runners over 16.

Participants can run on their own, with family and friends, or with their schools – subject to whatever restrictions are in place on the day.

When runs are completed, all runners will be able to submit their times through the website of our race timing partners, FRS. Further information about how to do this will be available next month.

To help bring our community together over the 10 days of our virtual event, we've chosen the theme of 'Go Green for Garioch'.

To get into the spirit of the challenge, we'd love runners, and any friends, family or teachers supporting them, to wear something green – the colour of the Garioch Sports Centre – while completing their virtual race. The Run Garioch t-shirt you received in the race pack last March is ideal. Runners can also wear race numbers to get them even more in the mood to give it their best.

During the 10 days of the race window, we'll be encouraging runners to post pictures from their virtual race on their social media accounts (@runggarioch, FB: runggarioch) using the hashtag 'gogreenforgarioch'. We'd be delighted to see images from our schools' runners too.

The best photos on the theme of 'green' – whether it's something worn, carried, drunk, eaten, pointed out or anything else you can think of – will also be eligible for prizes. Our intention is also to recognise the schools who registered teams through the awarding of trophies for categories slightly different to the usual.

On an individual level, at the end of the 10-day race window, Run Garioch medals will be available from the Garioch Sports Centre and other venues around Inverurie.

While it wasn't an easy decision to take Run Garioch virtual, we believe that holding a springtime event in some form will have a very positive impact on our community.

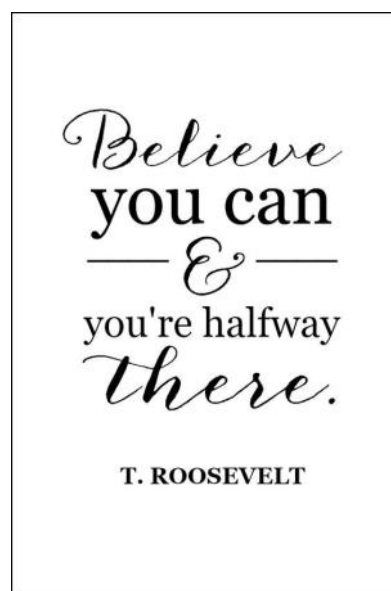
Thank you as always for your support of Run Garioch, and, with it, your support of the Garioch Sports Centre, our charity partners, and the good causes in your local community who benefit from the funds we raise.

We hope you'll join us in 'Going Green for Garioch' in May, and to looking forward to better times soon.

Holiday Dates:

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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