



# Inverurie Market Place Newsletter June 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Due to the important information we would like to share with you we have decided to send a paper copy home with children as well as texting and updating our website.

Firstly I would like to announce staff who will sadly be leaving Market Place Primary School this session. Mrs Edwards, Mrs Sanders, Mrs Sutherland and Mrs Carter will be leaving. On behalf of Market Place School we would all like to thank you for everything that you have done. We would also like to wish Mrs Carter good luck in her new post as Head Teacher of Hatton of Fintray Primary School. Hatton of Fintray are in for a treat with having Mrs Carter lead their school. Lastly, we would like to wish Mrs Bissett well and the safe arrival of baby Bissett. Thank you Mrs Bissett for all that you have done in supporting our Primary 4's.

## Summer Fayre

Wow, what a fantastic night. A huge thank you to everyone who helped and attended. It really was just a super last Market Place Fayre. Thank you. The GRAND total raised was an amazing.... £2529.60!!! Truly spectacular. Thank you.

## Class Structure 2017

Next term we will be in a period of transition from Market Place to Uryside. There is a reason we are getting a new school and that is that we have 'out grown' Market Place. We are in the position that next session we will have an additional class.

P1a	Mrs Scott
P1b	Miss Anderson
P1/2	Mrs Fowler/Mrs Simpson
P2	Mrs Cowley/Mrs Jevons
P3	Miss Moir
P3/4	Mrs Johnston
P4	Mrs Gallagher/Mrs Kinghorn
P5	Miss Kelman
P5/6	Miss Kasim
P6	Mrs MacLeod
P6/7	Miss Stewart
P7	Miss Philip

*(Please note that Miss Kelman and Miss Philip are new to our staff team and will join us in August. They are both experienced teachers and we look forward to them starting in August. Miss Kelman will be able to attend our 'Step Up' day, however, Miss Philip sadly will not be able to attend as is currently living in Fife.)*

As we have an additional class and do not have an additional room we will be working within a 'Three Teacher Arrangement Model'. This will involve P6, P6/7 and P7 classes. The three classes will split into two classes. All P6 pupils will be in the upstairs portacabin and all P7 pupils will be in the downstairs portacabin. This will work in the same manner as any other class and will not interrupt their education. The 'Three Teacher Arrangement' is a common teaching model that is used throughout Scotland.

How will it work?

Child will go to their class to be registered. They will then between the two classes break into three teaching groups and a group will work with the 'third teacher'. It will not always be P6/7 that will work with the 'third teacher'. Additional teaching areas will be created in the portacabin's and hall. This may not seem ideal but this method of working is very effective. It ensures very close working within the teaching team and children will be taught within, and with our current pupil roll, in small teaching sets. This model will be for term 1 only until we move to Uryside School. At Uryside the three classes will each have their own classroom and will continue to work closely together.

If any of the Primary 6, P6/7 or P7 parents would like to discuss this further I will be available on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> 3:30pm.

## Pupil Class Allocation

This year we have taken all the views of pupils and parents on board when arranging classes. We have strived to ensure that each child has a requested friend in their class. We have arranged classes with the greatest of intentions and we would ask for your support in our decision.

A letter stating your child's class will be sent home this Wednesday in preparation for 'Step Up' day this Thursday 2pm to 3pm.

## Exciting News! New School Update

Our new school logo!



The Uryside school uniform will consist of a green jumper or cardigan. White polo shirt and black skirt, trousers or dress. Please note that it is not expected for children to come to school in August in Uryside uniform! We will have a period of transition and children are welcome to wear either. The Uryside uniform will be on sale in August from Inverurie DFS Sports shop.

**PLEA – Please do not throw out, out-grown, Market Place jumpers please hand them into school as we have booked a whole school photograph in August and we would very much like everyone to be in Market Place jumpers for this very last photograph.**

## Transport – Uryside Update

**School Transport - If you think you may be entitled to transport or would like to apply for transport for Uryside School or for this first term please contact our school office for the appropriate form at your earliest convenience.**

The Council provides free transport to all children who live over two miles walking distance from school, in the case of primary school children, and three miles for secondary school pupils. Free School Transport is also provided for children with additional support needs. School transport routes are determined by the pick-up locations required for pupils who are entitled to free school transport.

## **Privilege seats and fare paying buses**

Pupils who live within two miles of primary school or three miles of secondary school may be able to travel on school transport at a charge. Where spare seats are available on a school transport route parents/carers can apply for a privilege place for their child by downloading an application form. The application form includes information on prices and payment methods for Privilege Passes. Discounts are available for pupils entitled to School Clothing Grants, and to families with 3 or more children travelling to the same school.

If you require an application form for transport for the remainder of the current school year please contact us and we will send you an application form. ***If you submit an application part way through a school year you will be charged on a pro-rata basis. You can contact us to find out the specific charge that will apply to your application.***

- Information on how to apply is provided in the application form.
- If a seat is available on a suitable school transport route the pupil will be issued with a Privilege Pass and advised of the pick-up location. If the home is within the catchment area of the school that the child attends, then there is no need to re-apply for transport each year. Unless advised otherwise we will assume that the pupil requires transport until he or she leaves school, and a pass will be issued each year. If a pupil no longer requires transport or moves address, you should return the pass(es) with a cancellation letter detailing the last date transport was used to the address shown at the end of this page.

**The Council retains the right to withdraw privilege transport or to re-designate the pick-up and drop-off point (PUDO).**

## **Out of Zone Privilege Seat Applications**

All Aberdeenshire addresses fall within the catchment area of a primary school and a secondary school. If you do not know which schools your home is zoned to, please check Aberdeenshire Council Website.

If a privilege seat is requested for a pupil who is not attending their zoned school, there is no guarantee that a seat will be provided. A seat can only be allocated if there is school transport operating within the area, and if there is a seat available on the vehicle.

If the transport application is approved the pupil will be allocated a pick-up point on the existing school transport route. A privilege seat is only awarded for as long as a seat is available during the current school year. The Council reserves the right to withdraw transport if the seat is required for a child travelling to their zoned school. Under such circumstances we will provide you with a minimum of two weeks notice to make alternative transport arrangements, and we will provide you with a refund for the remainder of the school year.

A new application form must be submitted to the Public Transport Unit prior to the start of each new school year. The application can only be considered following the allocation of seats to pupils traveling to their zoned school.

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## **Aberdeenshire Council School Transport Contact Details**

01224 665196

[school.transport@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:school.transport@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)

Public Transport Unit, Woodhill House, Westburn Road, Aberdeen,  
AB16 5GB

## School Website Updates

Please find 'Pupil Handbook' and 'Moving to Uryside Pupil Information Booklet' for new pupils starting our school in August under 'Useful Information – Enrolment Documentation'. We also have a nursery welcome booklet under 'Classes – Nursery'.

## School Lunches

Please note from August School lunches will cost £2.20 per meal. Drinks continue to be 15p or 25p.

## Diary Dates

<b>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Primary 7 Awards Ceremony 6pm to 7pm
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Leavers Service – St Andrews Church 10:00am Last Day of Term

Please note that this year we will have an ice-cream van in our playground on the last day of term from 3pm.

## Further Term Date Information

<https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/parents-carers/school-term-dates-and-in-service-days/>

Please find attached term dates for 2017/2018. Term dates information can also be found on our school website.

## Term Dates 2017/2018

In service Day	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> August
Pupils Resume	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August
Additional Holidays <small>(Due to school relocation)</small>	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October
October Break	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October (Children start Uryside Primary Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October)
In service Day	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November
In service Day	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November
Christmas Break	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> December to Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> January <i>(Last day in school Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December/School resumes Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January)</i>
Occasional Day	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February
Mid Term Holiday	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> February
Inservice Day	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> February
Inservice Day	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> February
Easter Break	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> March to Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> April <i>(Last day in school Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March/School resumes Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April)</i>
May Day Holiday	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> May
Occasional Day	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June

Summer Break

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July (*Last day in school Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July*)