

# UDNY GREEN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



## Newsletter 5 – April 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely Spring break and are looking forward to Term 4, our final term of this school year.

### Seasons for Growth

Our Seasons for Growth sessions started on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April**. Pupils who requested a place will work with Mrs Carder and Mrs Joss for the next 8 weeks. Session 1 will be on a Wednesday with Session 2 on a Thursday. Your child will have been notified which session they will attend.



### Annual Progress Reports

The annual progress reports are expected to be issued to all families by **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April**.

All reports will be password protected and full details on how to view these will be sent via email.

### P7 Residential Trip

Along with pupils from Rothienorman, Cultercullen and Pitmedden Schools, our Primary 7 pupils will be going on a residential trip to Loch Insh, Kingussie from Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June. Over 50 pupils will be attending and this is a great opportunity to make new friends prior to moving up to the Academy.



Parents are invited to an Information Session on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April** from 4-5pm in Udney Green School.

### Play and Learn Session

So far our Play and Learn Sessions for 3-5 year olds have been a huge success. Our next session is on **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April** from 2pm - 3pm. Please share this information with anyone you know who may be interested.



### Pixel8 Photography

This year we have decided to use Pixel8 Photography for our school photo. They will be in school on the morning of **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April** to take individual, family and class photos. Please complete the online form (link below) to confirm you are happy for your child to be included:

<https://forms.office.com/e/dfUVAjy6YQ>

### Meldrum Rotary Club – Rota Quiz

We are delighted to announce our Primary 7 pupils who took part in the Rota Quiz at Meldrum Academy on last month, were the winners! They are now through to the final at Turriff Primary on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April**. Good luck!



### P7 Pupils - Udney Green School/Cultercullen School

Every year we meet up with the Primary 7 pupils from Cultercullen School to undertake various transition activities. These start on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May** and will continue throughout the term with each school taking it in turns to visit the other school. P7 parents will be advised of all dates.



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## New Primary 1 Pupils – Induction Dates



We are delighted to be welcoming 4 new pupils into Primary 1 after summer. The new pupils will have 4 induction dates as follows:

- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May
- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June

Full details will be issued to new P1 parents in due course.

## Techfest Visit



This term we will have a visit from the Techfest Outreach Programme on **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May**. Primary 1-4 pupils will take part in a K'nex Lighthouse workshop, whilst the P5-7 class will have a Eureka Moment!

## Forest Schools



Our pupils love outdoor learning, especially our Forest Schools sessions. This term we will have two sessions as follows:

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May** - Endangered Species

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June** - World Environment Day

Please ensure pupils are dressed appropriately for outdoor activities on these days. We hope the weather will be getting warm by then, but please ensure they have a warm, waterproof jacket just in case! We do have a supply of wellies in school if your child doesn't have or forgets theirs.

## Parents Evening



Our parents evening will be held on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May**. Information on how to book an appointment with your child's class teacher will be sent via email nearer the time.

## P6 Languages Day

As in previous years, our primary 6 pupils have been invited to attend a Languages Day at Meldrum Academy. This will take place on **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May**.



## Community Café



Our Community Café's were very popular last term, so we would like to thank you all for supporting us.

Our next café will be hosted by both the Primary 1/2 pupils and the Primary 3/4/5 pupils on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June**. This will coincide with a school open afternoon. Full details will be issued by separate email.

## Sports Day



Hopefully the weather will be kind to us and we will be able to hold our Sports Day in the afternoon of **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June**. It is hoped that the Parent Council Sports BBQ will take place from 3.15 pm on this day as well.

If, however, we are unlucky with the weather, then this will be re-scheduled to **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June**. Please note there will no other date if we are unable to hold on the two dates mentioned above.

## School Trip – Local Farm



At the end of term 1, the GWCT (Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust) ran an art competition. We are delighted to say one of our Primary 7 pupils won and part of their prize was a whole school visit to a local farm. We will be visiting the farm on **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June**. A trip information and consent form will be issued nearer the time.

## P7 Pupils – Meldrum Academy Transition



The Primary 7 pupils will have a 3-day transition to Meldrum Academy from **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June**.

There will also be a Parent Information Evening held on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June**.

## Whole School – Step-Up Afternoon

Whilst the P7 pupils are away on their transition visit, the rest of the pupils will have a "step-up" afternoon on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June** when they move up to their new primary class and join their (new for some) teacher and fellow pupils.



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## End of Term Achievement and P7 Leavers' Assembly



Our assembly to celebrate all our pupil achievements and say farewell to our Primary 7 pupils will take place on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**. We will forward further information nearer the time.

## Last Day of Term



The school will close to all pupils and staff on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July** at 3.15 pm. School will re-open to staff only on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August for in-service day training. School will re-open to pupils at 9.00 am on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August.

## ECO group



The ECO group are collecting art supplies to use during their sessions on a Friday. If you have any surplus art materials that you would like to donate to the group that would be greatly appreciated.

## Staffing Update



Unfortunately, we have had to re-advertise the P5-7 teacher vacancy. We will keep you updated, but in the meantime the class will be covered internally or by supply.

Miss Gibb will return to school full time from Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

## School Uniform



As well as being able to purchase new school uniform from [Pomprint](#) and [Buchan Embroidery](#), we are delighted to announce that we have also registered for Fairtrade uniform from Kool Schools.

Preloved school uniform can still be ordered by either emailing the school office or completing the online form: [School Uniform Shop](#).

Please ensure all school uniform, PE kits and water bottles are clearly marked with your child's name.

## REMINDERS

**Allergy Advice** - Please be reminded that we are a **nut free school**. It is important that no child takes nuts, or food items containing nuts, to school as the airborne particles can cause severe reactions.

**Homework** - Homework is issued in homework jotters and should be completed weekly. Activities can be completed in the jotter or photographs of activities can be taken and uploaded to Learning Journals. Please remember to return homework jotters and reading books to school each week on the day advised by class teachers.

**Appropriate Outdoor Clothing** - All pupils should have appropriate clothing with them for outdoor play. Although summer is approaching it can still be cold and wet.

**Indoor Shoes and Change of Clothes** - All children should have indoor shoes to change into when they arrive at school, after breaks and for PE - a simple pair of "gym shoes" is ideal. We would recommend a spare pair of clothing is kept in school in case of accidents.

**PE Kit** - We provide two weekly sessions of PE for each class and pupils will require a PE kit which should contain:

Shorts, jogging bottoms/leggings; T-shirts and sweatshirt for outdoors; Socks (tights should not be worn); Appropriate footwear (gym shoes for indoors and trainers for outdoors); Long hair should be tied up; No jewellery (if earrings cannot be removed, they must be taped).

**Water Bottles** - Please ensure your child has a water bottle with them every day, clearly marked with their name. These can be topped up at the water fountain throughout the school day.

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## Dates for the Diary: Udney Green School Closures 2023/24 - Term 4

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| Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April                       | School re-opens to staff and pupils  |
| Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April                    | Seasons for Growth - Level 1   |
| Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April                     | Seasons for Growth - Level 2   |
| Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April                       | Annual pupils progress reports issued by end of week 1                               |
| Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April                      | P7 Residential Trip - Parent Information Meeting                                     |
| Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April                    | Seasons for Growth - Level 1 / Play & Learn Session for 3-5 year olds                |
| Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April                     | Seasons for Growth - Level 2   |
| Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April                       | School Photos  |
| Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> April                     | P7 pupils to attend Rotary Quiz Final @ Turriff Primary                              |
| Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May                       | Seasons for Growth   |
| Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May                        | P7 Transition Event with Cultercullen (@ Cultercullen) / Season for Growth - Level 2 |
| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May                          | School Closed - May Day Holiday  |
| Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May                         | New Primary 1 Pupils - Induction Day (1)   |
| Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May                       | Seasons for Growth - Level 1   |
| Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May                        | P7 Transition Event with Cultercullen (@ Udney Green) / Season for Growth - Level 2  |
| Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May                      | Seasons for Growth - Level 1   |
| Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May                       | P7 Transition Event with Cultercullen (@ Cultercullen) / Techfest Visit              |
| Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May                         | Forest Schools - Endangered Species  |
| Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May                        | Parents Evening  |
| Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May                      | New Primary 1 Pupils - Induction Day (2) / Seasons for Growth - Level 1              |
| Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May                       | Seasons for Growth - Level 2   |
| Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May                         | P6 Languages Day at Meldrum Academy  |
| Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> May                      | Seasons for Growth - Level 1   |
| Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> May                       | P7 Transition Event with Cultercullen (@ Udney Green) / Seasons for Growth - Level 2 |
| Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June                         | School Closed - Occasional Day Holiday   |
| Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June                      | Forest Schools - World Environment Day / Seasons for Growth - Level 1                |
| Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> June                       | Seasons for Growth - Level 2   |
| Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June                         | Community Café   |
| Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June                       | New Primary 1 Pupils - Induction Day (3)   |
| Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June                     | Sports Day / Parent Council Sports BBQ   |
| Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June                      | Seasons for Growth - Level 2   |
| Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June                        | Whole School Trip - Farm Visit   |
| Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> - Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> June | Primary 7 Pupils - S1 Transition Days at Meldrum Academy                             |
| Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June                     | P7/S1 Parent Information Meeting - Meldrum Academy                                   |
| Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June                      | New Primary 1 Pupils - Induction Day (4) / Whole School - Step-Up Afternoon          |
| Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June                        | Sports Day (if unable to hold on 12 <sup>th</sup> June)                              |
| Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> June   | P7 Residential Trip to Loch Insh   |
| Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July                      | Achievements/Leavers Assembly  |
| Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July                         | School closes for Summer Holidays  |

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