



April Newsletter

Dates for the Diary					
Wednesday	30 March	Spring Concert Mintlaw Academy for P7	Tuesday	19 th April	P7 transition evenings start at Mintlaw Academy
Thursday	31 March	Last Club Golf session for P4-5	Wednesday	20 th April	5.30pm meeting re house point and homework systems
Friday	1 st April	School reports issued	Wednesday	20 th April	Parent Council Meeting 6.30pm
Friday	1 st April	Spring Church Service 11am	Friday	22 nd April	Bags 2 School collection
Friday	1 st April	Last day of term	Thursday	28 th April	Open Evening 5 – 7pm
Monday	18 th April	School re-opens 9am	Monday	2 nd May	Bank Holiday – School Closed

Dear Parent/Carer,

We hope that you had a lovely Easter weekend!

Welcome

We are pleased to introduce Mr Simpson, School Crossing Patroller to Maud School, we are sure you will join us in extending him a very warm welcome.

Egg Fun

The children have had lot of fun decorating their eggs this week. What a lot of hard work they have put into them! We have seen some very creative designs! The eggs were judged by our dinner ladies, Mrs Mathers and Mrs Davidson and winners will be announced at our church assembly on Friday 1st April.

Archie in Africa Day

The Rights Respecting School's group will be fundraising for Archie in Africa Day on Thursday 31st March. All children are invited to wear their pyjamas to school for a £1 donation, you can also bring a teddy or your favourite toy. Coloured bands are also available to buy for a minimum donation of £1.

Reminders

Parents are visitors are kindly reminded not to park across or over neighbouring driveways. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

A number of pupils are still coming to school without water bottles. Please ensure that your child has one on a daily basis. They are allowed to fill them up at the water fountain, but, in the interests of hygiene control, we are trying to avoid a large number of children drinking directly from the tap.

Parents are also reminded that earrings **must** be removed or covered up for PE and that long hair must be tied back.

Please remember our Bag 2 School collection on Friday 22nd April – thank you!

School Procedures

If your child is to be collected from school at the end of the day by someone other than who usually picks them up, you **must** let us know in advance. This also applies if you have arranged for your child to go home with another child's parent. This is a necessary part of our procedures in 'keeping children safe.'

Similarly, if your child is not to travel home on the school bus, you must let both the bus company and ourselves know.

School Trips

P7 recently enjoyed their visit to Tarves Heritage Centre where they took part in a 'Victorian classroom' experience. Miss Cruickshank (aka Mrs McCue!) was a very strict teacher, brandishing her belt and making some children wear the 'dunces' cap!

P1 also enjoyed their 'Farm to Fork' visit to Tesco, Inverurie today (Tuesday). They got to see 'behind the scenes' and were led on their tour by Santa! They were able to find out where their food comes from and thoroughly enjoyed being 'in a freezer'!

Thank you to the parents who were able to help accompany our children on their trips! We hope that you had as much fun as they did!

Homework/House Points System

A year ago, we asked parents to come in and help us revamp our homework and house point systems and based on your thoughts, we completely revamped our procedures. Our new systems have been in place for nearly a year now and we would like your help in reviewing how you think things are going so far. Please join us informally on Wednesday 20th April at 5:30pm for a cup of tea and a fine piece. It would be helpful if you could indicate on the tear off slip below if you are able to attend.

Library books

All outstanding library books are to be returned to school by the end of term. Please check your child's reading record – they will have a sticker advising you if they have an outstanding book.

Please note that a charge is made for missing, lost or damaged books.

Transition – Music Afternoon, Mintlaw

As part of the transition process our Primary 7 children have been invited to attend an Easter music concert at Mintlaw Academy on the morning of Wednesday 30th March.

School Reports/Parents' Open Evening

School reports are being issued to parents in a sealed envelope this Friday (1st April). Please acknowledge your child's report and return the confirmation slip. Parents are invited to come along to our Open Evening on Thursday 28th April between 5pm – 7pm to see your child's work and the fantastic things that are going on in our school. We look forward to seeing you then.

Easter Church Service

The whole school will be walking to the Church on Friday 1st April for a Spring Service. The service will begin at 11am and all parents, carers and members of the community are welcome to attend.

Uniform Order

As you will know, uniforms can be purchased directly from Buchan Embroidery, however you can still order via the school by completing the attached an order form. To have the order delivered to school before the end of term please can we have the forms back no later than **Friday 6 May 2016**. Please send cash or cheques (payable to Maud School) with your order.

Rotary Quiz

At this year's Rotary Quiz night held at the Mintlaw Bowling Club on 16th March we entered a team which included Tianie, Scott, Declan and Jack & Jimmy. I am pleased to announce that our team came 3rd overall. All children who took part were a credit to the school and a big thank you must go to Mrs McCue and the parents who gave up their time to attend.

Celebrating Success

Natasha and Erin were awarded their 'Swimmers Badge' at Brownies.

Rebecca passed her Karate grading is now a brown belt.

Lewis passed his Karate grading is now a green belt with blue tips.

Aiden passed his swimming test at Fraserburgh pool and now he can enter the pool by himself.

Angus and Isabelle moved up to level 3 in their swimming.

Madison and Ellie moved up to level 4 in their swimming.

Charter Champions

Well done to the Charter Champions since the last newsletter:

Week beginning 29 February – Hannah, Austin, Amy, Jamie and Dannielle

Week beginning 7 March – Liam, Nathan, Cameron, Erin and Harvey

Week beginning 14 March – Jayden, Kayden, Ashley, Beth and Rebecca

Week beginning 21 March – Scott, Raegan, Ella, Amy, and Abigael

Mrs Taylor ☺

Mrs Taylor leaves us on Friday 1st April to take up a new post as a Family Support Worker. This has been a dream for Mrs Taylor and she has worked and studied tirelessly over the past couple of years in order to achieve this goal. We are all delighted that this has paid off for her but sad to lose her at Maud School where she has worked for the past ten years.

We thank Mrs Taylor for her hard work and tireless support, knowing that she has gone above and beyond to help the pupils at Maud School. We wish Mrs Taylor lots of love and luck with her future career.

The post of Pupil Support Assistant will be filled temporarily after the holidays by Mrs D Andrews, instead of Mrs MacDonald as previously indicated.

Goodbye Eva ☺

We also say goodbye to Eva in P1 who is moving to Aberdeen. Good luck in your new school, Eva! We will miss you!

Easter disco

All P1-7 children are invited to an Easter Disco on Friday 1st April at the Maud Village Hall from 7pm until 9pm. The charge is £3 payable on the door.

Maud School Football

The training sessions will be changing again after the Easter holidays. We'll be back outside (yippee) at Maud Pleasure Park on Tuesday the 19th of April and going back to the previous session times:-
P1-3s – 6:15 – 7:00pm

P4-7s – 7:15 – 8:15pm

As always, please make sure children wear shin pads and have a soft drink with them.

Finally, please remember to acknowledge our school newsletter.

Wishing you all a lovely holiday!

Yours sincerely

Mrs G Steel & Mrs L McCue

Head Teachers

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN

I have received the school's newsletter dated April 2016 and noted its contents.

Name of child(ren):
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P1: P1-2: P3-4: P4-5: P6-7:

Signature of Parent:

House Point and Homework meeting 20th April

I will be attending the meeting on Wednesday 20th April at 5.30pm

I will not be attending the meeting on Wednesday 20th April at 5.30pm

Name.....

Comments/Compliments/Suggestions Box: