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Dear Parent/Carer

Acting Rector's Weekly Update 29-4-16

This week has seen the cold snap continue but we gave a warm welcome to a number of achievements in Aberdeenshire events. Much of this success was down to great communication and we celebrated this theme of Team Inverurie in assemblies all week. Each morning, pupils learned about ethos and emotional intelligence. The ability to read how people are feeling and to interact accordingly, is a great life skill and attribute which helps support positive relationships. I would encourage parents to ask pupils about their position on the 'blob tree'.

Regarding achievements, our Rock Challenge 'family' returned with a whole host of awards. As the performance was screened in the assembly hall, I know Ms Robinson was most proud of the team for winning the spirit of rock challenge award as it voted for by all the other teams. To our staff and pupils who were involved, I congratulate them on their successes. At the RGU business school, Inverurie's Young Enterprise teams experienced unprecedented success taking the top two positions - well done to both 5<sup>th</sup> Scent and Madera. This achievement has been recognised by the Chief Executive with 5<sup>th</sup> Scent Manging Director, Craig M, forwarding their business plan to the Council Head Quarters. On Thursday Evening, the school hosted the first new community campus consultation meeting and it was good to see so many different user groups in attendance. Finally, I am pleased to report that our S1 pupil who was knocked down last night is making steady progress despite a nasty broken arm. We pass on our best wishes and I know that Mum has appreciated the support of her neighbours and the immediate community.

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I take this opportunity to wish our parents/carers a good weekend and enjoyable May Day Holiday.

Yours faithfully,



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**Maria Walker, Director of Education and Children's Services**