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Dear Parent/Carer

Weekly Update 20-5-16

I can report that it has been another very busy week at Inverurie Academy!

The SQA examination period has continued to go smoothly with pupils reporting that they have felt they have done well as they have left the examination rooms. I'd also like to commend the S1-3 pupils for continuing to adhere to the notices to avoid examination areas and be quiet as they travel around the building to ensure that our senior pupils have the best conditions possible to perform well in their exams.

This week our sporting teams took part in a number of events. We had the girls S1/S2 netball team competing in the Aberdeenshire Schools Netball Tournament. The girls fought hard and showed excellent team spirit and sportsmanship throughout, with Jodi proving a very effective team Captain. Miss Waite spoke very highly about the girls attitude and work rate, and everyone is hoping the team can build on their performance when they compete again in next year's tournament. In football, our S1 boys had a significant victory at home to Meldrum Academy with a 16-1 score line, followed by a further game against Ellon Academy, which saw the boys achieve a 7-6 victory. Our S2 boys also had a match this week against Meldrum Academy where again they secured an impressive result of 14-2 to team Inverurie.

Thirty S5 pupils completed Peer Support Training on Tuesday. This session gave them opportunity to develop their communication skills and understanding of the role of a 'buddy' in preparation for our P7 pupil visit days in June and for helping out in classes and around the school next session. The group worked very well together and I am looking forward to seeing them carry out these roles in S6.

Finally, a number of S5 pupils have been undertaking Prefect Training. I was very impressed with their responses to the scenario questions asking how they would deal with various situations around the school while on Prefect Duty. Between the groups, they came up with model answers every time. They have convinced me they will all make great Prefects next session.

Yours faithfully,

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