

Welcome to the final newsletter of session 2015-2016. It has been yet another very busy year, and as ever we are immensely proud of all of our learners, and their fantastic contributions to our school and the wider community over the course of this year. Mr McGinnes has taken over from Mrs Moggach in ensuring that their successes are celebrated and showcased. We are very grateful to him for his work in collating the Wider Achievement newsletter which is included in this newsletter. Please do continue to keep us up to date with the successes and achievements of all by downloading and submitting wider achievement slips from our school website.

Often people consider that the school session begins in August of each year. Our new timetable began on 7th June, and we are pleased that our learners have quickly settled into their new routines. The reality of school for all S2 – S6 pupils is that this part of each session is very important in terms of laying the foundations of knowledge for a successful academic year. The sense of commitment within lessons was quickly very evident for most of our learners. We urge those who have been feeling less motivated to work on finding renewed determination over the holiday period in order that they can make the best of the opportunities afforded to them during the rest of the year.

As members of staff we recognise that we only play a small part in influencing the lives of our learners. We are very grateful to all of the parents and carers of our school community for their ongoing support, and for their willingness to work in partnership with us to ensure our youngsters continue to do as well as they possibly can. Our parent council are another important part of school life, and are actively seeking to engage with more members of the parent forum. Please do take some time to read through their section on the school website in order to become more familiar with their work, and please consider joining us next term.

<http://inverurie.aberdeenshire.sch.uk/minutes-2015-16/>

<https://www.facebook.com/Parent-Forum-Inverurie-Academy-202246186630027/>



At the end of term there is always a degree of sadness as we bid farewell to those who are moving on, many of whom have become friends as well as colleagues. After an amazing career spanning some 31 years, we have bid a very fond farewell to Mrs Carol Collie (Principal Teacher of Physics). A number of colleagues are moving on to new challenges and adventures, and we send each of them best wishes for happiness and success. Mrs McCue (school librarian) and Miss Sinclair (pupil support assistant) have both successfully completed their Post Graduate qualification in Teaching, and so leave us to undertake their probationary teaching service at Aboyne Primary and Kellands Primary respectively. Mr Robertson was appointed to a new post back home in Shetland, and departed during the study leave period. Miss White (English teacher) returns home to Australia to be able to spend more time with family and friends, and Mrs May has now started maternity leave for baby number two who is due in late August. Miss Arthur (Acting Depute Rector) leaves us to take up a permanent post in Kemnay Academy, and Miss Strain (Music teacher) takes a permanent post within Forres Academy. Miss Vickers (Additional Support for Learning teacher) has a change in focus as she joins the Creative Arts team for part of the week, Miss Waite (PE teacher) finishes her fixed term appointment with us, and Mrs Davies (Senior Clerical Assistant) moves on to a full time post within Insch primary.



Whilst farewells are always sad, we are pleased to have already begun to get to know a number of new colleagues during this last term, and look forward to welcoming more when the new term begins in August. Mr O'Connor (Depute Rector) joined the Senior Leadership Team, Mr Duncan (English teacher) Miss Hart, (Music teacher), and Mrs Lopez Lozano (Science teacher) have all joined our Faculty teams and are already getting to know our pupils well. Mrs Little (PE teacher) has re-joined our Health and Wellbeing team after maternity leave, and Miss Taylor will be Principal Teacher of Guidance for Selbie house on a full time basis whilst Mrs May is on maternity leave. Mrs Strachan joined our Office as team leader immediately prior to the summer break, as did Ms Howie (pupil support assistant) both of whom are quickly settling in to their new roles. We have also been incredibly well supported by Mr Reid (pupil support assistant) and Ms Timmerberg (university exchange student) who have worked with young people across the school and within a range of classes over the last term. In our wider school team, we have been fortunate to be joined by Mrs Calder (Nursing assistant) and Mr Grant takes over the Active Schools provision for the Inverurie Area, a role previously carried out by Ms Fleming and Mrs Yates.

Joining our staff cohort in August we look forward to welcoming Mr Milne (PE teacher), Mrs Cookson (History teacher), Miss Hunter (History teacher), Mr Towle (English teacher), Mrs Farquhar (Additional Support for Learning teacher) and the addition of Mrs Robinson and Ms Lawie completes our team of pupil support assistants. Mr Hamilton re-joins the Senior Leadership Team as Depute Rector, and Mr Parkin (who introduced himself to pupils during our end of term assemblies) formally takes up post as Acting Rector at the beginning of the new session in August.

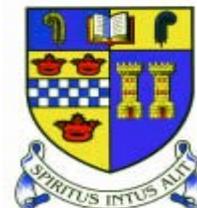
I am certain that next session will be busy, and full of exciting opportunities for us all. Work will continue in relation to the town twinning project, and the new school development will get underway in earnest. On behalf of all of the Inverurie Academy staff, I send best wishes to all pupils and their families for a restful and relaxing summer holiday break. We look forward to reconvening on Tuesday 16th August.

Yours sincerely,

Ms D Lynch
Depute Rector



Display of Work at Entrance to the School Library



School Captains

Following what was a very competitive period of applications and interviews and what we have been assured was an extremely difficult decision for Senior Leadership Team members to make, we are delighted to have been appointed the roles of this year's School Captains.

This session we aspire to uphold the values and standards of Inverurie Academy. Following recent changes within the school we hope to work closely with and support the staff and pupils of the school to the very best of our ability. We feel privileged to have been selected for these positions and see this as an occasion to recompense the school for all it has given us over our past five years at Inverurie Academy.

As your School Captains we will be working closely with pupils of all year groups by chairing School Council meetings. This is a fantastic opportunity for the pupil voice of the school to be heard. As senior pupil representatives we look forward to assisting senior staff in such school events as parents' evenings, the careers evening, the creative arts showcase and the Awards Ceremony. We are prepared to exhibit leadership within the school in a way which represents the best aspects of Inverurie Academy and aim to exemplify the standard of conduct expected of all pupils. Finally, we look forward to working closely with the Senior Leadership Team, principal staff members, the Parent Council and to introducing ourselves to the remainder of the school during upcoming assemblies.

We hope to see you in and around the school throughout the following academic terms and wish all staff, pupils and parents a relaxing and enjoyable summer holiday.

Yours sincerely,

Your School Captains :

Archie Whyte (School Captain)

Caitlin Vogt (School Captain)

Lewis Khan (Vice Captain)

Elizabeth Smith (Vice Captain)





SQA Examination Results

This year's SQA examination results will be sent to your son/daughter on Tuesday 9th August. These results will arrive by first class post, and by text or e-mail after 8am if your son/daughter has registered for this service through *My SQA*.

In 2014, SQA introduced a new Result Service which replaced the appeals process, and as the new qualifications are rolled out, I want to take this opportunity to remind you how this procedure works.

The Post-Results Service may be used by schools where a pupil's grade is significantly different from that expected. Based on the evidence the school holds about the pupil's performance throughout the course, a school may request a clerical check and/or an SQA marking review. **The pupil must, however, give permission for this in writing.**

- A clerical check is a check that all questions have been marked and all marks totalled correctly
- A marking review is where an SQA senior examiner will review the marks awarded to each question to ensure that the original marking is in line with national standards: the work will not be re-marked.

Please note:

- the decision to ask for a marking review rests solely with the school
- as a result of a clerical check and/or marking review, the pupil's grade may stay the same or be amended up **or** down.

It is important that parents/carers understand that the school will not be able to submit alternative evidence, like course work or prelim examination evidence, to support its request for a review. Decisions about the grade awarded will be made solely on the pupil's performance in the SQA examination.

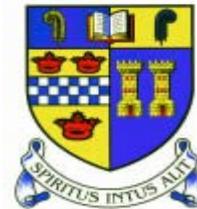
The SQA has recognised that the Post-Results Service is a significant departure from previous practice and so have put in place more stringent checks of each markers' work to ensure that final results are as accurate as possible.

Should you have any questions about your son's/daughter's results, when they arrive in August, you should contact myself in the first instance. I will be in school on Tuesday 9th August for this purpose. If the school decides to make a Results Service request for your son/daughter, I will advise you as to the steps that need to be taken.

Should your son/ daughter wish to change/re-sit a subject due to results of performance in their SQA examinations, please telephone the school office in the first instance to have this request recorded. Your son/daughter should then make an appointment with their Principal Teacher of Guidance on their return to school to discuss this further.

Mrs P Fraser
Depute Rector / SQA Coordinator





The B&IT committee was set up to support all of the teachers and pupils in the faculty of business and information technology. The committee consists of David Thomson, Michael Dempster, Mitchell Wright, Jamie Hay and Laura Hoyle has recently joined the group.

Accounting, Admin & IT, Business Management, Computing Science and Economics are all subjects that are taught in the B&IT department. The committee works hard at lunchtimes and after school to make the B&IT department a creative place to both teach and learn in. The committee cleared out IT 2 and have since created a quiet study area for senior pupils, through clever thinking and de-cluttering. The committee also takes great pride in their creative and vibrant wall displays that brighten every room in the faculty. They also carry out a lot of behind the scenes work that may not be identified by pupils. The staff base and the stationery cupboard have recently undergone a clear out and have been organised to make it easier for teachers to use and access the resources.

On Friday 17 June, Michael Dempster (S6) and David Thomson (leaver), accompanied by Mrs Ogston (Computing Science teacher) attended the Inspiring Aberdeenshire awards as they had been reached the final 3 for Best in Garioch. The evening was presented by Ritchie Grant, radio presenter at Original 106 FM and awards were presented to the winners of each category by sponsors of the evening. Sponsors included: Xerox, BP, ACE Winches and several others.

Miss Walker, Business Education Teacher, told a representative from the council that 'These young men truly are an asset to us, when I am having a really hard day and sometimes wonder why I do this job, I do look at those boys and think - this is why I do it - they would make amazing teachers one day and it is so great to have young people like this show as much commitment, responsibility and positivity like they do.'

Mrs Weir, Principal Teacher Business and Information Technology, said 'I am so proud of the amount of work the boys have put in to making the faculty a vibrant and up-to-date teaching area to be in. They work tirelessly staying and working until the teachers leave often around 6 pm. They inspire us when we are tired to keep going and, like them, go that extra mile. We all look forward to working with them for another year they are an exceptional group.'

The B&IT Committee came second in their category at Inspiring Aberdeenshire, missing out on first place to Fubar News for their coverage of the recent flooding in Inverurie and surrounding areas. Myself and other committee members are very proud of our achievement and will continue to support the faculty of B&IT in every way that we can.

I would like to say that it has been a pleasure working with the teachers in the faculty of over the past year and we look forward to seeing what session 2016-2017 has to offer. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the teachers, again, for nominating us for Best in Garioch! Go team #bandit!

Michael Dempster 6C





Young Enterprise Scotland

The Young Enterprise Scotland Awards took place on the 15th June 2016 in Glasgow, where 5th Scent from Inverurie Academy represented the Grampian region.

These prestigious Awards celebrate the success of the businesses set up by young people who participated in the Company Programme in 2015/16. Schools from across Scotland participated in the programme, and all are invited to exhibit their businesses at regional final events across Scotland. This year, these took place between March and April 2016. Judging panels across the country selected the most innovative and successful businesses and thereafter 17 finalists were selected to participate in the Scottish finals in Glasgow.

All finalists are required to set up their trade stands, submit a business report and deliver a business presentation to a panel of judges. The scores for these elements determine the Barclay's Scottish Company of the Year who travel to London to compete in the UK Finals. 5th Scent won Best company report category and were the runners up of the overall Scottish Company of the year. We are very proud of all groups, but have been bowled over by the professionalism of the 5th Scent team, pictured below.

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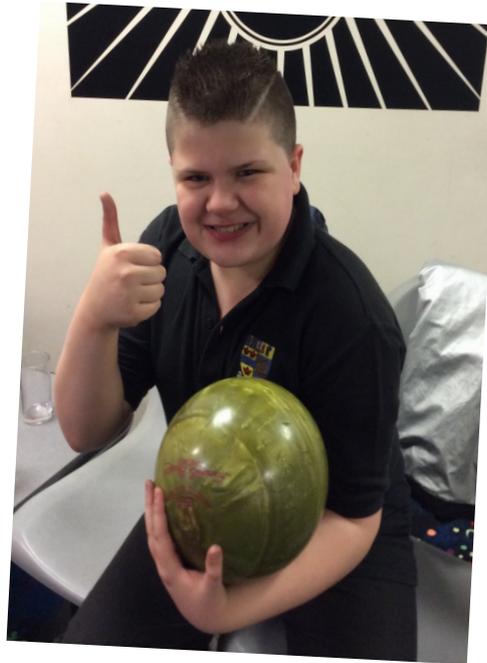
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Bowling!

On the 29th of June 2016, a small group from Inverurie Academy went to the Garioch Indoor Bowling Centre for a school trip as a reward for exceptional behaviour throughout the term. The Inverurie Rotary Club donated £75 to make this possible. In addition to two games of 10 pin bowling, the group were treated to some ice cream. The group loved the trip, and have all said that they would like to return at some point.

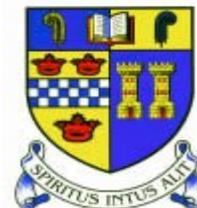


Dean Marr, 3B1



A photo of our bowlers on their trip. Sincere thanks to the Inverurie Rotary club for their generous donation!





House Captains

The role of House Captain is very important, and after competitive interview earlier in this term we are delighted to announce that the House Captains for session 2016-17 are:

Barra House — Mairi Falls and Laura Hoyle

Crichie House — Alice McGinlay and Spencer O'Grady

Davah House — Caitlyn O'Shaughnessy and Paul Patterson

Harlaw House — Paige Carnie and Kirsty King

Selbie House — Sophie McPhee and Konrad Rossvoll-Booth



Well done to all who applied, and congratulations to those named above on your new leadership role. We look forward to watching the inter-house competition develop as the year progresses!

School Uniform

We believe that our students identify with the Academy by being proud to wear our school uniform. We welcome the support of parents and carers to ensure that our students have a smart appearance within the Academy and when they are out and about in the community. Details of what is expected can be found on our website, and we'd be grateful for your support in ensuring that all students have the required uniform (including black shoes) for the start of the new term in August.

If your son or daughter has outgrown their uniform items, and they remain in good condition, we would welcome the unwanted items being handed in to school. The guidance team have a small supply of good quality, clean uniform, and issue this throughout the session to young people who need this. We would be grateful for your donations, and are happy to help if it is not possible for you to provide uniform supplies yourself. Please contact the relevant Principal Teacher of Guidance in the first instance. In addition, some families may qualify for clothing grants. Details of this can be found on the website below:

<https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/parents-carers/assistance/school-clothing-grants/>



Sports Day 2016

Tuesday 31st May was our annual sports day. Despite the cold temperatures, pupils participated with real enthusiasm. Congratulations to all who helped to organise and run the event, and well done to all participants!



Dates for your diary...

Monday 15th August — In Service Day

Tuesday 16th August — Pupils Return to School

Friday 19th August — Edinburgh Fringe Trip

Tuesday 30th August — Aberdeen University Open Day

Monday 5th September — Work Experience Week

Tuesday 20th September — S3 Geography Field Trip

Tuesday 27th September — S4/S5/S6 Interim Reports Issued

Wednesday 28th September — School Photographer (S1, S3, S4)

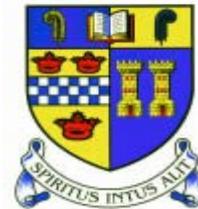
Wednesday 28th September — Higher Geography Field Trip

Friday 7th October — S3 Interim Reports Issued

October Break — Monday 10th October until Friday 21st October



Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Expedition



Recently The Duke of Edinburgh Award has returned to Inverurie Academy in the form of two Bronze groups. Pupils needed to work hard to achieve their award, which is made up of four sections. In their own time pupils took up and learned a new skill; they also took part in a physical activity of their choice and volunteered within their community. Participants also attended regular meetings in school to learn about navigation, camp craft, health and safety and first aid. Once they completed these activities they undertook a practice and a qualifier expedition. These are two day hikes with overnight camping.

Our Bronze groups recently completed their qualification expedition at Glen Muick and had to contend with drizzly weather, midges and their supervisors having a steak dinner to taunt them. They were assessed by Mrs Edwards, Faculty Head of Science, and Tara Kennedy, who also helps as a volunteer leader. Both assessors were impressed with what they saw:

“This year we had our first bronze expeditions for a few years and, as assessors, we were immediately impressed. Twelve really keen pupils took part, turned up professionally prepared, and early! The walks planned and mapped by the groups along the Loch Muick valley were a challenge, not just the navigation but the long distance covered (over 22km). As assessors we were incredibly impressed - the groups were on time at their checkpoints, and, when questioned, knew exactly where they were. Although the weather on Saturday was damp, we were lucky that the rain fell mainly overnight, when everyone was asleep... snoring by all accounts. Fantastic cooking, sharing of the good times and bad, and everyone was successful in passing their expedition.

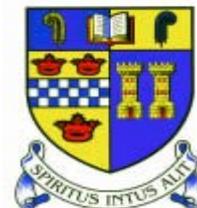


Top tips -: bring a midge net, bring more food, not enough food makes you grumpy, bring extra dry socks and cake for the assessors!”

Mrs Edwards and Tara

Both groups were well prepared and worked well in their teams. They should be extremely proud of what they have achieved. Their supervisors certainly are! We look forward to moving on to Silver together.

Miss Bradley



National 5 Practical Woodworking Successes



Ross Moir



Jamie Ross



Darragh Wylie

During the session Ross, Jamie and Darragh displayed excellent workmanship and skill in the woodwork room to create these National 5 models. Mr McGinnes their Teacher said "It was the attention to detail that the boys had that made them successful, making sure one part of the model was to specification before moving on to construct the next part. They should be proud of their achievements."



Wider Achievement Update

Session 2015/16

curriculum for excellence



Welcome to the summer issue of the **Wider Achievement** newsletter. In this issue we look back at a busy year for

the pupils of Inverurie Academy and highlight some of their achievements.

As always pupils of Inverurie Academy have achieved so much this year from dance, music, sports and volunteering to name but a few. So here are a few of the highlights this year.

In the field of sport **Nicky Walleck 3C1** Won 2 silver and 2 bronze medal at the Scottish Tae kwon do Championships, then went onto win a Silver Medal at the European Championships. She then attended International Open Tae kwon-do. Championships in Dublin and won a Gold Medal - Sparring, Bronze Medal –Patterns

Saphia Wallek 4C2

was a Winner of 2 Gold Medals (Sparring and Team Sparring) in the Scottish National Competition in Motherwell.

Also on Tae-kwon-do:

Luke Fitzpatrick 2H1 was a Gold medal winner in a competition in Ireland and an International Tae kwon do championship in March.

Chelsea Stott 3H2 Karate - The National Karate Kumite Championships 2015 - Winner of Gold Medal in 14-17 age group. Chelsea along with Leah Proven won Gold Medals for Team Kata in Cults Academy.

Greg Brimner 4S1 Was a Winner of Scottish Sparring Championship in Karate.

Evan Orr 2H2

Golf - Qualified for the Junior U14 Scottish Championships with only 100 place available in Scotland.

Cameron McLeish 2B2 Gained 4th place in the Scottish Nationals in Trampolining.

Lea Carlier 5H2 qualified at NDP Level 5 for Trampolining in and Double mini trampolining.

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Owen Michie 4D1

A member of the GB U16 team and Scotland U17 Team in Ice Hockey.

In gymnastics pupils were busy **Abby Robertson 2B2** of Garioch Gymnastics Club took 6th place in competition in Alness.

Erin Fraser 2S1

Was Winner of Garioch Gymnast of the Year 2015. Erin also took part in the Scottish National Artistic Gymnastics Championships, she placed 6th Place overall in the Junior Competition. Then Qualified for the bars and vault final being placed 4th on the bars and 5th on the vault

Hannah Redfern 2C1 won Silver on the floor at a gymnastics competition (Level 4 - Elite) in Perth.

Sofia Kent 2B1

won Bronze Medal for floor and team competitions in the Aberdeen Gymnastic and Trampolining Festival.

Julie Binnie 3B2 became a member of the SFA U16 Regional football Squad.

Carla Banks 5C1

In March won the Bowls Scotland / SIBA National U18 girls singles competition at Glasgow and represented Scotland at the Youth **Commonwealth Games** in Samoa in September and has done at various tournaments across the British Isles and Ireland.

Katie Leslie Smith 1D2 competed in Ballroom Dancing and achieved 3rd place in Quickstep and 1st place in Pasodoble and

Cha-cha in the Huntly Community Championships.

Not only are they taking part in sport our senior pupils are taking courses in a variety of sports to coach others; **Kirsty King 5H1 Spencer O'Grady, Caitlin Vogt, Scott Wood all 5C1**, passed the Badminton Leaders Course (run by Badminton Scotland)

Megan Brown 4S2 Along with several others Passed Netball Leaders Course (run by Netball Scotland)

Graeme Cochrane 5B1 and **Phoebe Hone 6H** Passed SFA Youth Development Level 1.

Amy Norval 4S2 Achieved Bronze, Silver and Gold Award in Life Saving

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Music was an area pupils excelled in. Scottish piping

Callum Malley 3S1 Pipe Band: His pipe band won 7th place in Grade 3 at The European Championships and finished 6th in their grade at the World Championships in Glasgow. Callum was also involved in a Pipe Band Drumming competition – taking 3rd place in U14, 6th place in U17 and 6th place in U18 RSPBA North of Scotland Pipe Band Solo Drumming Competition

Emily Machray 4S1 Piping: 2nd Placed Quartet in North of Scotland Pipe Band Quartet Competition and a member of Bucksburn and District Novice Juvenile Pipe Band – North of Scotland Champion of Champion of Champions in Novice Juvenile grade and in Grade 4

2015-16. Along with **Jodi Moir 3C1, Ross Moir 4C1** the band finished 9th in the Novice Juvenile Grade in the World Pipe Band Championships in Glasgow.

Thomas Tribe 1H1 Passed Grade 3 Violin Exam with Merit.

Cameron Beattie 2H1 Passed Grade 3 Viola Exam.

Rebecca Alexander 2H2 Passed Grade 3 Viola Exam.

Benjamin Tribe 3H2 Passed Grade 4 Violin Exam.

Lucy Ellington 4H2 Passed Grade 5 Viola Exam.

Ana Fernandes Wilson 4H2 Passed Grade 6 Piano with Merit and Grade 6 Clarinet Exam.

Kirsty Hay 3S1 Passed Grade 4 Piano Exam.

Euan Banks 4B2 Passed Grade 5 Piano Exam.

Ben Armstrong 5D1 Passed Grade 5 Alto Sax with Merit.

Castle Fraser Event

The senior musicians of the Academy had a chance to show case their talent at an Evening of Music in Castle Fraser. They were-

Chloe Gill 4B1 on Tenor Horn

Harrison Mowat 5B2 on Guitar and Piano

Megan Oakes 5B2 on Piano

Iola Skinner 5B2 on Piano and Clarinet

Jordan Ramsay 6S on Orchestral Xylophone.

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Castle Fraser Event (continued)

Matthew Sorrie 4C2 on
Fiddle

Robyn Gray 4C2 on Flute
and sang a duet

Rachael Gray 5C1 on
Cello

Lucy Ellington 4H2 on
Viola and Voice

Amy Hardie 4H2 on Piano and
accompanied Lucy

Ana Fernandes Wilson 4H2 on
Piano and Clarinet

Rebecca Fyfe 5H on
Clarinet

Ben Armstrong 5D2 on
Alto Sax and Piano

Duke of
Edinburgh
Awards Success!

Bronze -
Justin Macleod, Alice

**Inverurie Citizen of the
Year 2015**

Mitchell Wright 5S2

**McGinlay, Spencer O'Grady,
Scott Wood, Caitlin Vogt all
5C1. Silver-**
Rachel Russell 5C1

**Other achievements -Chloe
McDonald 3B2** attended
Crufts 2016 in the Birmingham
NEC with her Hungarian Vizsla
dog, She placed 4th in the Lim-
it Dog class, 3rd in the Young
Kennel Club handling class and
3rd overall.

Looking to help others in a
medical emergency, some of
our pupils qualified as first aid-
ers. These include **Zara Gatt,
Abbie Masson, Rhian Michie**
all 5C2.

Many of our pupils gained val-
uable experience
attending the North East Scot-
land College. Courses ranged
from childcare to
Art & Fashion to hands on
Auto Engineering, and have
run for periods of time from
one day to one year.

Congratulations to all our stu-
dents on their
achievements this year. They
are a credit to their families,
the Academy and our wider
community of Inverurie.
Please do keep letting us know
of their achievements!

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Under 13's-

The U13s were runners up in a 7-a-side tournament at the sports village and they also got to the semi-finals of the North (East) of Scotland Cup. Overall they performed consistently well throughout the year especially in the league.

Mr Kirk

Under 15's-

The Under 15 Football team have had a really good season especially in Cup Football. Having started the season with a 4-1 home defeat to Alford in the league things were not looking good. However they went on a great run of form and did not lose another game of football until a 2-1 reverse in the Scottish Cup against Banchory which was to be avenged with a 1-0 win in the Semi Final of the Aberdeenshire Cup. Excellent wins against Ellon, Fraseburgh and Nicolson Institute 4-1 in the semi Final saw them reach the North of Scotland Cup Final.

Both Cup Finals were to be against Mintlaw Academy. In the Aberdeenshire Cup Final the team were fantastic all evening and they were extremely unlucky for the game to go to penalties after extra time and a 2-2 scoreline. Unfortunately the boys lost 5-4 on penalties.

A couple of weeks later saw the teams meet again in the final of the North Of Scotland Cup. This time the boys acquitted themselves excellently again and once again after extra time and a 1-1 draw the game went to penalties. Mintlaw had a chance to win again 5-4 but a good save kept Inverurie in it. Eventually after great tension the side were successful 9-8 on penalties. A great performance and good reward for an excellent season.

Mr Watkinson

Senior boys-

The senior boys football team had an excellent run in the Scottish cup reaching the last 16. They beat Madras College on penalties in the round of 32 before losing to Lourdes RC secondary who lost narrowly in the semi-final.

Mr McFie

Girls football-

A relatively young girls team played several games this season against Mintlaw, Ellon, ABoyne, Meldrum, Banff, they have yet to record a victory yet but are gaining valuable experience for next years campaign.

Miss Brogan





Aberdeenshire Updates

From 7th July, the email alert system used by Aberdeenshire Council will change. A new and improved service using myaccount will allow you to receive notifications and provide access to other public services using a single username and password. To receive e-mail notifications you must register at <https://mygov.scot/myaccount/> and set up the alerts you want. If you pay for school meals online you will already have a myaccount set up, and can use the same details to access the new system. If you have any questions or if you experience difficulty in registering please contact 03456 081202.

Travel Passes

Over the summer holiday period, a significant amount of work is done by the transport unit in making sure that all is in place for safe transport to and from school for those eligible. If there is any change to your travel route or provider, you will be notified directly in writing and a new travel pass will be issued. Please ensure that pupils carry travel passes every day, and that these are carried in a wallet or other secure place. Replacement travel passes can be requested via the school office, and the cost is now £5.

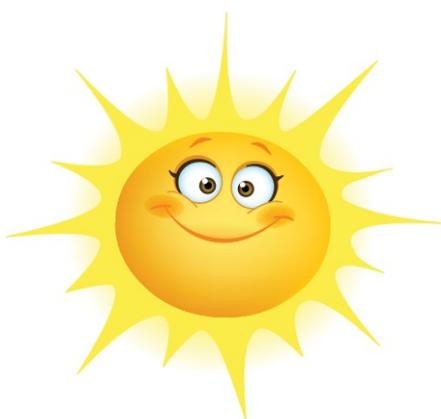


Active Aberdeenshire

Active schools coordinators in all areas have been busy pulling together a programme of holiday events. Please check out their web and facebook pages for more information on what is happening in areas you live or may be visiting, and do take the opportunity to try something new!



<https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/leisure-sport-and-culture/active-schools/in-your-area/garioch/>



Wishing all pupils and their families, and all members of staff a restful and relaxing summer break. See you in August, ready for another busy and productive academic session!