



WELCOME
TO
CRATHE'S
SCHOOL

Newsletter - 19th April 2024



Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely spring break.

Banchory Ternan Rotary Quiz



The next round of the Rotary Quiz is the Area Final on Saturday 11th May at Curl Aberdeen. We wish our team 'Crathes Cracking Crackers with Cheese' aka Alfie, Freya, Ben and Grace, lots of luck at this event.

Parent Council Meeting - Thursday 25th April

All parents/carers are welcome to attend the Parent Council Meeting on Thursday 25th April at 7pm in Crathes School. Please email maureen.fraser@aberdeenshire.gov.uk by Tuesday 23rd April to confirm your attendance.

A quorum of 6 parents/carers is required for the meeting to go ahead.

Any items for the agenda should be sent to crathespc@gmail.com

Transition Morning at Drumoak School

Just a gentle reminder to any parents/carers that have still to complete the consent form for Wednesday's Transition activities, the forms need to be with us by Monday.

Pupils will require a water bottle, snack and waterproof jacket for their morning activities at Drumoak School.

Active Schools Banchory Cluster Extra Curricular Clubs



The poster features logos for 'activeschools ABERDEENSHIRE' and 'LIVE LIFE ABERDEENSHIRE'. It also includes the logos for 'DEESIDE R.F.C.' and 'SCOTTISH SQUASH'. The central text reads 'Active Schools Banchory—Cluster Clubs'.

Activity Name	Year Group	Days / Dates	Time	Venue	Cost
Touch Rugby (non contact)	P4—P7	Thursday 2nd May—6th June	4.00pm—5.00pm	Banchory Primary Grass Pitch	Free
Intro to Squash	P6 & P7	Friday 3rd May—21st June	3.35pm—4.15pm	Banchory Sports Village	Free

How to Apply – Apply online at: <http://bit.ly/ASBanchory>
Closing Date – Applications close at **4pm on Thursday 25th April**. Please note places are limited. An email confirming your child's place or otherwise will be sent following the closing date.
Additional Information – The touch rugby will be led by Deeside Rugby Club Development Officer, Finlay Hall, and sessions are non contact in line with the Scottish Rugby Age Grade Variations. Tackles will be a two hand touch on the waist with no other contact permitted. The Squash sessions will be led by Joseph Ewen of Scottish Squash, and will be an introduction to the sport utilising the squash courts at Banchory Sports Village. All equipment will be provided. Further details will be sent in the confirmation email.

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Active Schools are delighted to offer two new extra-curricular opportunities for pupils in the Banchory School Network! Details can be found in the attached poster, including how to book your child's place. Please note these will be under the "Cluster Activities" section.

If you have any questions, please get in touch at mark.borzoni@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

Volunteers wanted

Parents/carers are always welcome to volunteer in school to help us with a range of learning activities including library duty, gardening, helping out with sports clubs (eg football, running, multi-sports), outdoor learning/forest school. If you have some free time and would like to do some volunteering in school please email maureen.fraser@aberdeenshire.gov.uk or call on 01330 700395 to discuss this. Thank you

Aberdeenshire Council Parent Survey



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Aberdeenshire Council Parent Survey - have your say in shaping Parental Engagement in Aberdeenshire

Parents and carers are the most important influence on children's lives. We would like you to share your views with us about the engagement you have with your child's school in areas such as communication, your child's learning, your involvement as parents and family learning by completing this short survey. The survey link is below. We will use your responses in our next steps in improving our work with families and to inform and review our strategy and action plan on Parental Engagement. Completion of the survey is optional and no personal identifying information will be collected. Each school's results will be shared with them to support their ongoing work on Parental Engagement.

The survey will be open from Monday 22 April until Monday 13 May 2024.

<https://forms.office.com/e/c8D766smMW>

If you would prefer to have a paper copy of the survey posted to you, please email christine.mclennan@aberdeenshire.gov.uk.

Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey - your feedback is appreciated.



Dates for your diary

Wednesday 24th April - P1-7 visit to Drumoak School

Thursday 25th April - Parent Council Meeting @ 7pm

Monday 6th May - May Day Holiday (school closed)

Friday 17th May - P7 Science Day @ Banchory Academy (more information to follow)

Friday 31st May - Sports Day (1.15 - 3.15pm)

Monday 3rd June - Local Holiday (school closed)

18th - 21st June (inclusive) - P7 Link Days @ Banchory Academy (more information to follow)

Tuesday 25th June - Scottish Opera @ Drumoak School for P4-7 pupils (more information to follow)

Friday 4th July - Last day of term

Feedback



Your comments are always welcome and support our continued school improvement. Please email maureen.fraser@aberdeenshire.gov.uk with any feedback.