

Bantaskin Blether

9th December
2022



P1-3 Nativity

We have a number of free tickets available for both nativity performances on Wednesday 14th December. If you would like to join us for either the morning or afternoon performances please contact the school office for tickets.



School Pantomime Trip

As you now know the whole school will be going to the Panto together on December 15th. I know that the School Office has been in touch to remind parents to pay for this. It is essential that this is paid on IPayImpact by the start of next week. Please get in touch with us if you are concerned about this.



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It is essential that all families are now active on this system. In the near future the school kitchen is moving to an ordering system that is linked to an iPayImpact and will be preparing food based on the orders that parents are not home for their children. If orders are not placed at home – in advance – then children will not be able to receive a school meal and a packed lunch will need to be provided from home. Please come and speak to us if you are having any difficulty registering for the system.

iPayimpact
ONLINE PAYMENT PROVISION

At the start of 2022 the Scottish Government provided free bus travel for everyone up to the age of 22. If you have yet to apply for it for your children then this can be done online at [freebus.scot](https://www.freebus.scot)



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Toys

Can we please encourage all children to keep toys at home and not bring them to school. It can prove a big distraction for the children and we often have concerns about personal items being lost or damaged. We've also had a number of 'naughty elves' making their way to school – can we ask that you try your best to catch them and keep them locked up at home until the children return home. Thank you!

Christmas Parties

A reminder about parties. These parties will take place during the school day (in the afternoons starting at 1:15) on the following dates.

P1s - Dec 21st

P2 and 3s - Dec 20th

P4 and 5s - Dec 19th

P6 and 7s - Dec 16th

Anyone wishing their children to go home that day for lunch and to get changed for the party please let the office know in advance. Children who are staying in school but would like to change can do so after lunchtime.

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Counselling Service

Provided by Scottish Government funding a counselling service is now available for pupils in P6 and P7 through Relationships Scotland. Please see further details below.



Lunch times

Following conversations with various groups of the school community (groups of pupils, parents and staff) we have decided to return to having lunches collectively at the same time – **12:15-1:00**. This will commence week beginning Monday December 19th for the last week of term then continuing on the first week back after the holidays.

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Cakes 'n' Carols

There has been a huge demand for tickets for the evening performance and we appreciate your patience whilst we have been getting tickets to families. A recording will be made and shared through our website for anyone who is unable to be at either performance.

Cakes 'n' Carols

- Arrangements for Monday evening
- Can all children please be back at school between 5:30 and 5:45.
 - Doors will open to the hall for seating from 5:30 onwards.
 - Following the performance (at approximately 7:30) all children must be collected from their classrooms.
 - Any child who does not have an adult with them at the evening performance must be collected from their classrooms by 7:30 by an adult.

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Nativity arrangements

- Doors will open 15 minutes prior to each performance beginning.
- The school will record the nativity and share it with you via our website.
- For the afternoon performance if you wish to take your children home at the end then once they have changed out of their costumes they can be collected from their classrooms.

Lunches Wed 14th / Thurs 15th

As per previous messages, lunches for these 2 days had to be pre-ordered by December 2nd. Anyone who did not do so will now be required to provide their own packed lunch on these days. Thank you.

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School closes Thursday December 22nd @1:30
School opens Monday January 9th @9am

Primary Counselling Service



Available to pupils in primary 6
and primary 7 in Falkirk!



01324 670067



info@relationships-
scotlandcccs.org.uk



Primary counselling with Relationships Scotland is now **available to pupils in P6 & P7!** A six-week block of counselling is running prior to Christmas and another block will run between January and Easter. Referrals are accepted from professionals as well as parents/carers.

To refer into this service, you can contact Relationships Scotland through the details below:

☎ 01324 670067

✉ info@relationships-scotlandcccs.org.uk.

More info on this service is also available on our Falkirk CMHWPB blog:

[Primary School Counselling – Falkirk Community Mental Health and Wellbeing \(glowscotland.org.uk\)](#)