

Bantaskin Blether

12th May 2023



"Beat the Street"

Look out for more information coming shortly about an exciting opportunity taking place across the community (and a bit of a competition).



School lunches

All lunches now need to be ordered **a week in advance online for all children** – whether you are entitled to receive a free school meal or you pay for it! You also indicate on the system if your child is bringing a packed lunch with them. The structure will be as follows –

- All lunches will need to be ordered by midnight each Monday evening for the following week.
- If lunches are not ordered by midnight on the Monday then you will need to provide a packed lunch from home each day during the following week.

These orders now go direct to the school kitchen who need a week in advance to place orders for the food.

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SPRING FAYRE

!!!!!! OUR SPECIAL TOP SECRET EVENT. FROM 11.45AM AND FOR 15 MINUTES ONLY, MR BLAIKE WILL BE TRAPPED IN OUR STOCKS. READY TO BE SOAKED BY CURRENT BANTASKIN PRIMARY PUPILS !!!!!

TWO BOUNCY CASTLES
PLANTS
TUCK SHOP
TOMBOLAS FOR KIDS &
GROWN UPS
SECONDHAND BOOKS
HOMEBAKING
TEA/COFFEE
GUESS HOW MANY
SWEETIES IN THE JAR
HAIRDRISSE PLEATS &
SPACE BUNS
TATTOOS

WE HAVE SOME FANTASTIC LOCAL
BUSINESSES, CRAFTERS & MAKERS
ATTENDING
ALL MONEY RAISED ON THE DAY WILL
GO TO IMPROVING READING
MATERIALS & RESOURCES FOR THE
SCHOOL. SO PLEASE COME ALONG,
HAVE FUN, AND HELP US TO HELP
THEM

Parent Council - Fundraising

Dates to remember!

- Spring Fayre – Saturday 13th May
- Quiz Night – Friday 26th May

Follow the Parent Council to keep up to date with the information for each of these fantastic fun AND fundraising events.

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Classes 2023/2024 (1)

The time of year has come when we will be organising the class structures next session. Falkirk Council has confirmed for us that for next session – due to the numbers of children at each stage – there will be 12 classes in our school. This will be split up as follows

- P1 x 2 classes
- P2 x 1 class
- P2/3 x 1 class
- P3 x 1 class
- P4 x 1 class
- P4/5 x 1 class
- P5 x 1 class
- P6 x 2 classes
- P7 x 2 classes

...classes 2023/2024 (cont.2)

As a staff team we are now working on how the classes will be reorganised to arrange the classification as set out by Falkirk Council. This will be shared with families towards the end of term once we have concluded on what we believe will be the best structure for the children.

...classes 2023/2024 (cont.3)

This year we would like both yours and your children's involvement in this process. A Microsoft Form will be sent to you this evening and we would like you to discuss with your children, other children they would like to have to work with them in their class next year. There will be an option to list up to 8 people and we will do our best to ensure that everyone has at least 1 person from their list in their class. This will be for all children currently from P1 –P6.

...classes 2023/2024 (cont.4)

To allow us to proceed with arranging classes as quickly as we can I would ask that you have this completed before Friday (19th). This will allow us as a staff to match up your thoughts with our thoughts and start to arrange transition events for children across the school to help them spend time with their new teacher and class before the summer holidays. We will do our best to match your thoughts with our thoughts but as you can imagine across a school of 300 pupils this may be tricky and I can't guarantee more than 1 person off their list.

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Place2Be

Place2Be is a children's mental health charity that support children and families in person and online. Their website offers extensive support for families in supporting many aspects that concern adults in managing the modern world. Type in the link below to see what supports they have for the whole family.

<https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/>

Dates for your diary!

- * P5B assembly for friends and families – 23rd May @9:15
- * Sports Day June 1st (more details with come shortly)
- * Health Week 29th May to 2nd June
- * Last day of term – Friday June 30th 1:30 finish

Falkirk Council Visit

This week we had the privilege of welcoming 2 senior officials of Falkirk Council to meet with various members of our school community as well as spend time in classes working alongside the children. These visits are taking place across all Falkirk schools as part of the Council's quality assurance processes. This was an opportunity for the Council to gather information collectively about schools across Falkirk Council as well as providing some feedback to us around the strengths of our establishment and suggestions of ways to support our continuous improvement.

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Falkirk Council visit (cont.)

- Key strengths highlighted
- Strong commitment of all staff to supporting the improvement of all children
 - Strength of the wider team in supporting the wellbeing of children
 - Warm, welcoming, nurturing ethos
- Key aspects to support our continuous improvement
- Ways to support more pupil voice in learning and the wider life of the school
 - Ways to support children in developing further independent learning skills
 - Consider new ways to further develop our curriculum, the connections across it and how it links to the wider world

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