

Bantaskin Blether

15th September
2023



Celebrations!

A huge well done to our fabulous Scottish Country Dancers who were awarded their 'Introductory Award of RSCDS Medal' achieving an outstanding grade at their exams a few weeks ago. Mrs Smillie was extremely proud of their fabulous performance. Well done to Eva Adam, Lois Friel, Danielle Hutton, Lyla Martin, Ellie Wilson and Isla Don! She also mentioned how excited she is to be working with the great group of dancers who have joined her this session. Well done to everyone!



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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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/>

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Our football team took part in a competition yesterday against other Falkirk schools at Little Kerse (and it turns out 'Scouts' were there too from professional premier league clubs). Some great skills and goals scored across the 5 games! A huge well done to all who took part – Logan Hill, Lyle Brady, Dillon Baillie, Emily Haxton, William Luke, Leyton Doyle, Hunter Strathearn, Zac Turnbull, Erin Marchi and Rhea Marshall.



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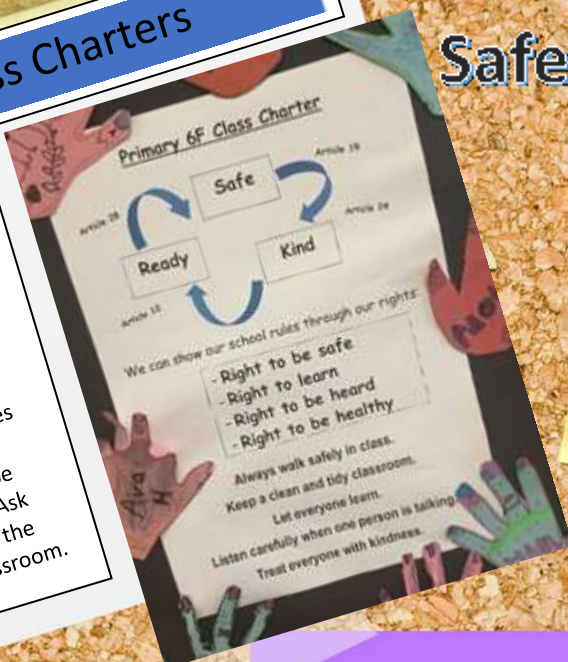


Dates for your diary!

- *27th-29th September – P7 to residential camp at Dalguise
- *Friday 6th October – last day of term (returning on Monday 23rd October)
- *Friday 24th November – Staff Development Day (holiday for pupils)
- *Friday 22nd December – last day of term (1:30 finish – returning to school on Monday 8th January)

Class Charters

Each class has been creating a 'Class Charter' at the start of the term linking in with the journey developing the UNCRC and Children's Rights in school. These form part of our class rules and establish how everyone should be working in class. Ask your child about the one in their classroom.



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Social Media

All our classes have their own 'X' (Twitter) account so you can see the learning, teaching and experiences happening throughout the week. Please link in with your child's class to see examples of the experiences that are taking place.. All class accounts can be found on our school website under 'class news'.

Strike Action

You may be aware from national media that there are some members of UNISON and GMB (staff across various sectors of council employment – non-teaching staff) involved in a dispute with Local Authorities around pay that could lead to strike action 26-28th September. At present we are unsure as to whether this will affect schools in any way – if it will be the case this will be communicated directly with you from Falkirk Council next week.

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