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our values

February 2026 Newsletter

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What's Happening Soon?

- Parent/Carer consultation evenings – Wed 11th March and Thu 12th March
- ELC Photographs – Thu 12th March
- British Science Week – 13th – 22nd Mar
- P7 Falkirk Herald Photographs – Monday 16th March
- Netball Finals – Thu 19th March
- Family Breakfast – Thursday 26th March 8:30am–9:15am
- Sharing the learning Through Jotters – P7G, P7/6B, P6/5 8:30am–9:15am
- Callander House Performance from P6 children from P7/6B and P6/5M – Tue 31st March



Student Spotlight



Congratulations to our wonderful Glee Choir who performed at the Albert Halls in Stirling. They performed great renditions of Viva la Vida by Coldplay and Beautiful day by U2. Their singing and dancing was amazing and they did us all proud. They weren't selected as the winners for the evening but we're keeping everything crossed that they'll get the wildcard to take them to the next stage!



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Classroom Showtime!

- ▶ This month we have a chance to see what P3W and P4/3G have been learning!



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Well

This term in Primary 3 and 4 we have been very busy with lots of exciting learning across the curriculum. In Literacy, we have been developing our phonics skills to help us decode unfamiliar words with greater confidence. We have practised reading and spelling strategies, with a strong focus on common words and spelling patterns. In Talk for Writing, we have been working on describing settings and characters in detail, using adjectives and exciting openers to make our writing more engaging.

In Numeracy and Maths, we have been strengthening our understanding of place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We have also explored shape, measurement and time, and enjoyed taking our learning outdoors, where we applied our skills in active and practical ways. Outdoor Learning has continued to be an important part of our week, especially in maths, where we worked together to solve problems and build confidence. Our 'Space' topic has inspired wonderful creativity as we learned about all of the different planets, star constellations and black holes. In Expressive Arts, we created artwork linked to our topics, bringing our learning to life in creative ways.

In Health and Wellbeing, we have been learning about the Decider Skills to help us understand and manage our emotions, make positive choices and build resilience. We have also been practising 'Do Be Mindful' strategies to help us stay calm and focused in class. In PE, we have taken part in team-building activities, gymnastics and fitness sessions, developing our balance, coordination, strength and teamwork skills.

It has been a fantastic term full of learning, creativity and teamwork, and we are very proud of all the progress the children have made.

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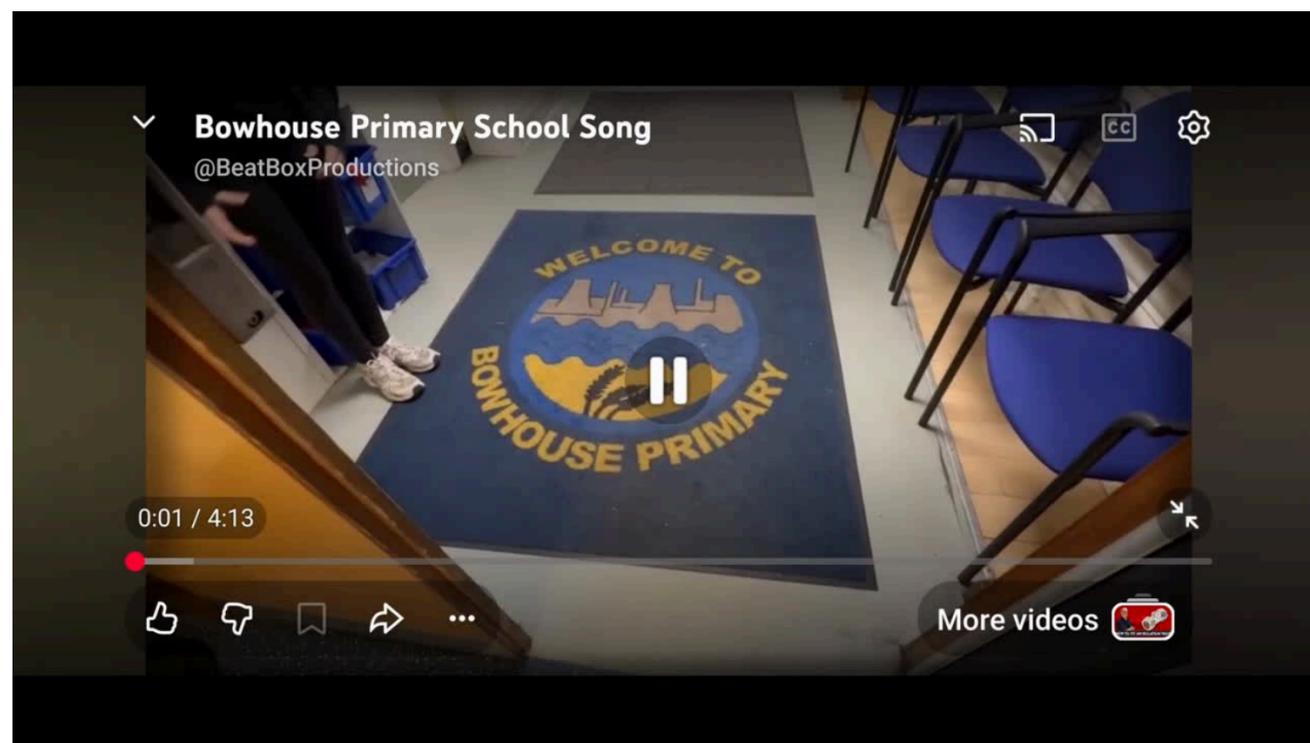


School News

School Song

Our Glee Choir worked with BeatBox to help write our very own school song. Our school song helps promote our school values and what it means to be a Bowhouse Learner.

The video is private and has only been shared with our parents and carers. We ask that you respect the privacy of our children and families and do not share the video. We hope you enjoy watching it!



School Discos

We have been working hard behind the scenes to ensure we have all the necessary things in place to allow our school discos to go ahead. We have been disappointed not to have been able to hold the last 2 discos as we know how popular they are with the children and they are also a great way to raise funds for the school!

New laws came into force last year around the Protecting Vulnerable Groups (PVG) process, meaning additional adults require a PVG for the discos. Our Parent Partnership have been working with organisations to gain PVG through a charitable process so these are free. We now have this confirmed and have started the process of applying for PVG for the member of our Parent Partnership. We are hopeful that these will all be processed in time for our summer discos to go ahead in June. We will still require additional volunteers to have a PVG so we can ensure we always have an appropriate number of adults with this in attendance at the discos. Look out for more information from the Parent Partnership about this and how you can apply!

Likewise, the school will also be looking to PVG volunteers so we have a bank of volunteers we can call upon to support with school events. The P7 leavers disco will still go ahead as this event is a school organised event and will be supervised with school staff.

Last session, you spoke, and we listened. We gathered a wealth of feedback from our families and children during our 'Peek at the Plan' event in May about what matters most at Bowhouse PS.

You told us you value:

- Skills for the future: Preparing children for life and work.
- The "Whole Child": Focusing on resilience, emotional security, and being a "good human."
- A True Community: Better communication, more "open door" learning sessions, and a stronger partnership between home and school.

We have used your feedback to draft four potential School Visions and a set of School Aims.

At Parents' Night this week we held a "Dot Democracy" event so you could help us choose a winner!



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Our pupils will be taking part in this activity over the next couple of weeks, and we want every parent and carer to have their say, too. The most popular choices will become our official new School Vision.

Let's build a school where every child—and every family—belongs.





At assembly last week, some P7 children helped present the Grangemouth Cluster Vision to our whole school. We will be using the visuals below in our ELC and in classes to help bring the vision to life!

Grangemouth Cluster Vision



WE ARE GRANGEMOUTH
TOGETHER, WE SHAPE THE FUTURE.

Being a Grangemouth Learner



I have big dreams:

- I believe I can do amazing things
- I know there is no limit to what I can learn.
- I will work hard to reach my goals.



I am kind and fair:

- I treat everyone fairly.
- I listen to others and make sure they are heard.
- I help make our school and nursery a safe place to be yourself.



I am part of the team:

- I am proud to be part of the Grangemouth team.
- I know that we succeed when we work together.
- I will help my friends and my town.



BEING A GRANGEMOUTH LEARNER



We are the dreamers, the doers, and the thinkers of this town. Whether we are in nursery or heading for exams, we are part of one big team.

Our Promise

We won't just wait for the future to happen.
Together, we shape the future.



RESPECT DRIVES US

Our schools are safe places where it is okay to be yourself. We listen to each other and treat everyone fairly because no one succeeds alone.

OUR COMMUNITY UNITES US

We are proud of Grangemouth. When our families, our teachers and our town work together, we are unstoppable.

AMBITION DRIVES US

We believe we can do amazing things. There is no limit to what we can achieve, whether we want to learn a trade, go to university, or start a business.

The Grangemouth Cluster Schools Vision: It's About You.

We asked our community what we should be doing to make our learner journey the best it can be and what they need to be successful, confident, responsible and effective contributors to our community and the wider world.

The answer is our shared vision, which is simple, direct, and focused on their future. Our schools and early years settings work in partnership to ensure our learners receive the best opportunities across Grangemouth.

We look forward to working in partnership with you and invite you to familiarise yourself with what we are asking of our parents/carers to support our children and young people on their learner journey.

Grangemouth Cluster: Parent & Carer Charter

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This charter outlines how we work together to ensure our learners are successful, confident, and responsible.

By enrolling your child in a Grangemouth Cluster school and early years setting, you join a team dedicated to their journey.

To ensure your child is successful, and responsible, we ask you to commit to the following:

- Drive Ambition
- Guide With Respect
- Unite Our Community

Our Vision

In Grangemouth, we believe that our schools and early years settings are at the heart of our community. To ensure our learners receive the best opportunities across the town, our schools have worked together to create a shared vision: **We are Grangemouth: Together, we shape the future.**

We know that no one succeeds alone. We succeed when families, learning environments, and our community work as one team. We ask that you join us in driving **ambition**, guiding with **respect**, and staying united as a **community** to help your child realise what they are truly capable of.

Community

We are team connected to our town, and we succeed only when we work together.

We ask that you:

- Engage with the school and ELC by attending meetings, checking communications, and staying involved in your child's journey. Take pride in Grangemouth, helping your child understand that they are part of a wider community that supports them. Act as partners in the learning process; your support at home is the foundation of their success at school.

Ambition

We believe there is no limit to what your child can achieve.

We ask that you:

- Speak positively about learning and encourage your child to aim high in everything they do. Support the pathways your child chooses, whether that leads to a trade, employment, or university. Ensure regular attendance,
- as being present is the first step toward realising their full potential.

Respect

Our schools must be safe, inclusive environments where everyone is heard.

We ask that you:

- Model respectful communication in all interactions with school and ELC staff, both in person and online.
- Value our inclusive community by treating all pupils, staff, and other parents with fairness and kindness.
- Work with us to resolve challenges through the proper channels, remembering that we all want the best for your child.

We are Grangemouth: Together, we shape the future.

Parent Partnership

A huge thanks to our parent volunteers who have joined us as members of our our group. Minutes from the meeting held in February will be available on the school website and on the school app in the next couple of weeks.

The remaining meetings for this school session are:

- 26th May

While we are still confirming the best way for parents & carers to communicate any agenda items they would like raised at our Parent Partnership meetings, please email the school if there is anything you would like to be discussed so this can be added to the agenda.

All meetings are at 5:30pm in the school and all parents & carers from the school and ELC are welcome to attend meetings. You don't need to be a member to attend. We will share the agenda in advance of meetings so you are aware of what will be discussed. Agendas and minutes of meetings will be shared on the website and on the app.

Everyone is also welcome to join our 'Friends of Bowhouse' fundraising group.

We currently have some vacancies on our Parent Council. If you would be interested in finding out more, contact Mrs Swan.

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Tuesday 26th May



Bowhouse Primary
School



5:30pm

Safety Notices



Entry to the school building is strictly by school staff only. Please wait at the the main entrance for a member of staff. PLEASE DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR FOR OTHER ADULTS OR CHILDREN.

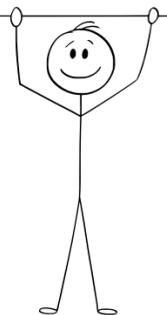


No dogs allowed in the playground.



We are an allergy friendly school and would ask that items with nuts are not sent into school for lunch or snack.
If your child has an allergy and requires a medically prescribed diet, please contact the office to complete a medical form.

SAFETY FIRST



If your child requires medication, a form must be completed in school before any medication can be administered. We can only administer prescribed medication with a clear label with your child's details and dosage required.
If your child is required to leave medication in school, this must be collected at the end of each term and checked that is still in date.



A reminder that no smoking, including vaping, is permitted in the school grounds.



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Car Park Pass

Following recent communication about the school staff car park, we have now introduced a car park pass with the following criteria:

- Has a child to drop at another school for the same time (i.e specialist provision)
- Child who has mobility difficulties
- Child who has an injury which impacts on mobility

If any of the above criteria is met, a car park pass will be issued to the parent/carer with details of when the pass is valid until. It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to display the pass when dropping/collecting their child and to share the pass with any other adults who have responsibility for dropping and collecting their child from school/ELC.

If you feel you require a pass, based on the criteria above, please contact the school to speak to a member of SLT.

We appreciate that the introduction of this new criteria means that some people will no longer have access to the car park who had done previously but we have had to to introduce a more sustainable way of managing this process going forward.

Communication

We communicate information about the school and ELC in a variety of ways.

If you wish to discuss something with the class teacher or a member of the leadership team, please email/call the school with your concern or to arrange a time for the staff member to call or email you back.

Any concerns should be raised with the class teacher in the first instance. Our Senior Leadership Team are happy to support your child and your family if you require additional help.

If you wish to speak to a member of staff, please contact the school and a member of staff will call you back at their earliest convenience.

Please note that it is not always possible for calls or enquiries to be responded to on the same day.

We ask that staff are spoken to respectfully at all times, even when the answer to your query isn't what you want.



WE NEED your SUPPORT!

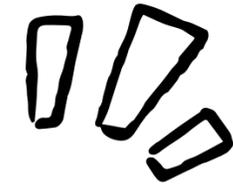
We will do our best to make sure you have all the information at the right time. Please can we ask that you communicate any important information from home. This includes using the parentportal.scot app to report absences and to update your child's contacts details.

CLICK HERE



[Parentportal.scot](https://parentportal.scot)

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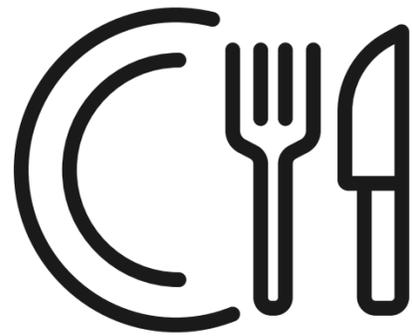
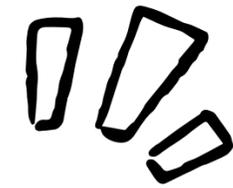


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