

Antonine Primary School

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Our Vision

Dream, Believe, Achieve

At Antonine Primary School
we aim to:

- 1 Provide a rich education that promotes lifelong learning.
- 2 Build a successful community that encourages inclusion for all.
- 3 Support and nurture all learners to achieve.

We are heading into the last few weeks of Term 3. This term has been so busy with lots happening that it has flown past for us. We have lots of great learning experiences coming up and the dates for the rest of the year are at the end of the newsletter. We are looking forward to having opportunities to have families in school over the final term to share everything that happens at Antonine PS.

Mrs J McLaughlin

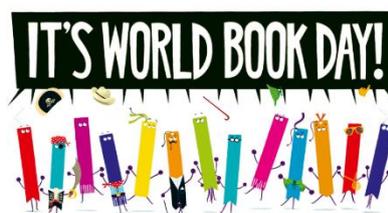
Health Fortnight

We are very excited to be hosting a "Health Focus Fortnight" following the Easter holidays. As part of the Rights Respecting Schools and the Health & Well-Being curriculum pupils will have opportunities to explore all aspects of their Health & Well-Being. We have booked taster sports sessions with outside providers and look forward to welcoming you all for a very fun, active open afternoon. Dust those trainers off ready! A more detailed newsletter will be sent out prior to the Easter holidays.



Parents Evening

Wednesday 28th February was a very busy evening and thank you to all the families who joined us to hear about their child's latest progress. If you haven't already booked for the next date then there is still time to do that. Thursday 7th March from 4.00pm to 7.00pm in the main hall. Please contact the school office should you require any help to do this.



World Book Day

We are celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. The theme this year is "You are a Reader". It's a dress down day for everyone, pupils have been asked to bring a sock friend, and they will take part in reading circles and a scavenger hunt. These are whole school activities. In classes, pupils will be taking part in Reading Live sessions online as well as focusing on reading activities and games in class. We always enjoy celebrating the joy of reading.

Cross Country Race P5/6

The next cross country race is on Tuesday 19th March at Callendar House. This is a morning race and we have booked a bus to take us. P7 pupils are away at Dalguise so it will only be P5 and P6 pupils. Letters will go out to pupils in the next few weeks.



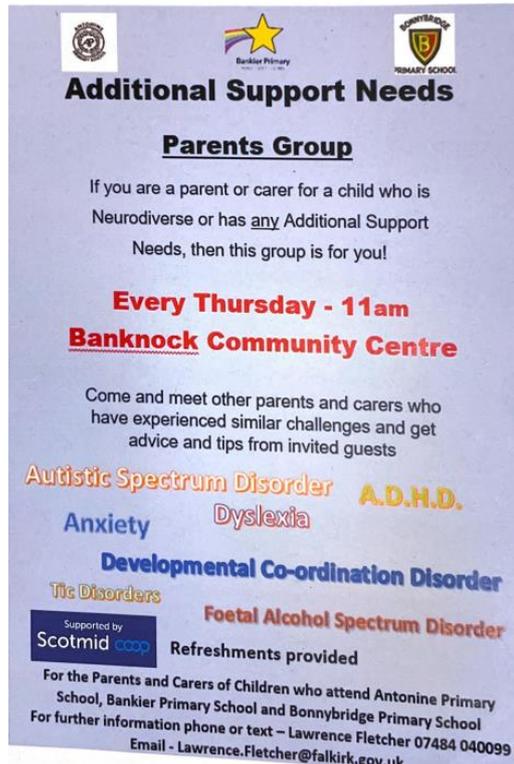
P7 Spring Shop

A special pocket money pop up shop is coming. This was organised and planned by P7 pupils where there will be a selection of fab items to order and buy. Our enterprising pupils have done a great job. The money from this enterprise is going towards the P7 Leavers party.



ASN group – Lawrence Fletcher

Please see the poster below advertising a new group that has been set up to support families who have children with specific additional support needs.

Additional Support Needs

Parents Group

If you are a parent or carer for a child who is Neurodiverse or has any Additional Support Needs, then this group is for you!

Every Thursday - 11am
Banknock Community Centre

Come and meet other parents and carers who have experienced similar challenges and get advice and tips from invited guests

Autistic Spectrum Disorder A.D.H.D.
Anxiety Dyslexia
Developmental Co-ordination Disorder
Tic Disorders Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder

Supported by Scotmid  Refreshments provided

For the Parents and Carers of Children who attend Antoine Primary School, Bankier Primary School and Bonnybridge Primary School
For further information phone or text – Lawrence Fletcher 07484 040099
Email - Lawrence.Fletcher@falkirk.gov.uk



School Sponsored Event

We hosted a sponsored “move-a-thon” recently and what a brilliant day we had. We wanted to raise money for the classrooms as well as offer pupils a great experience. The day was filled with lots of movement lessons and activities. There were two highlights – Bust a Move in the main hall and the silent disco.



I am delighted to tell you that the total amount of money raised so far is **£2259.20**. This is an incredible amount of money and we are very, very thankful.

We would like to spend this money on resources for pupil classrooms. Each teacher will spend time with the pupils creating a wish list to enhance their classroom environment. So far pupils have indicated they would like soft furnishings, cushions, cozy reading corners, more board games and twinkly lights.



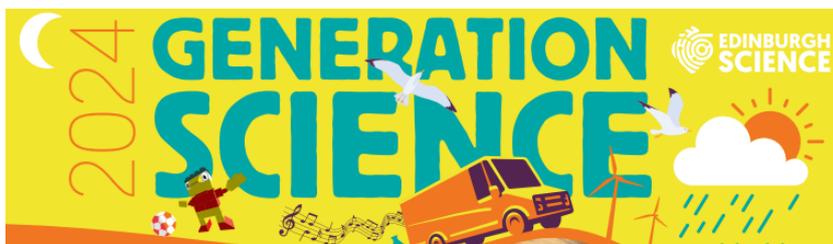
Parent Council Meeting

The next meeting is on Monday 11th March at 7.00pm. This will be face to face in the school. Come along to hear about what’s going on in school and help us make decisions on priorities moving forward.

Science Workshops

We were very fortunate to be given a £500 donation from a local school family and business. We used this to book Science workshops for pupils in P1-P6. These workshops are fun, engaging and very interactive. Due to the cost this is not always something we can fund so we are very excited to have them.

P1-3 will have the Day or Night presentation, P4-6 will have Body Builders and P7 will have Fizz, Boom, Bang! Watch out for our photos on twitter.



P7 Residential March 2024

We are the final stages of confirming the details for the P7 residential trip this year. We have 31 pupils and 4 staff going to Dalguise Outdoor centre in Perthshire for lots of outdoor activities and fun. Staff are hoping for a heatwave!

Sharing the learning sessions – P3, P4, P5 and P6

P1 and 2 hosted their nativity and later in the year P7 will be presenting their leavers assembly. P3-6 would like the opportunity to share their learning too.

Please take a note of the dates and times below for an opportunity to come in and see your child and their class and what they have been learning about.

Primary 3 – Monday 13th May at 2.00pm

Primary 4 – Tuesday 26th March at 9.15am

Primary 5 – Monday 25th March at 2.00pm

Primary 6 - Monday 22nd April at 2.00pm



Easter Service – Tuesday 26th April

The Easter service will be in a few weeks and we will be going to Bonnybridge St Helens for this assembly. The service will start at 1.30pm. Come along to hear some Easter singing.

Holiday - Easter

A reminder that the Easter holidays start a little earlier this year due to the fact that Easter Friday is on Friday 29th March. School will finish at 3.00pm on Thursday 28th March for the holidays.

Spring Disco

A disco has been organized by the Parent Committee. This will be on Thursday 28th March. Slips with more information will be coming in the next few weeks.





Term 3 – 2024

March

Wed 6 th	Book Fair arrives in school for 1 week
Thurs 7 th	Parents Eve – 4-7pm (book fair open)
Thurs 7 th	World Book Day – info on the app
Mon 11 th	Science workshops in school for P7 Parent Council meeting in school – 7.00pm
Tues 12 th	Science workshops in school for P1-P6
Wed 13 th	Basketball League at Denny HS
Sun 17 th – Wed 20 th	P7 Residential Trip to PGL Dalguise
Tues 19 th	P5 & P6 Cross Country at Calendar Park
Fri 22 nd	P7 Activity day out
Mon 25 th	P5 Sharing the Learning – 2.00pm
Tues 26 th	P4 Sharing the Learning – 9.15am Easter Service at Bonnybridge St Helens – 1.30pm Current P6 – P7 Residential Info evening – 6.30pm
Thurs 28 th	Pupil Disco – P1-3 5.45pm P4-7 7.00pm
Fri 29 th	Good Friday – Holiday school and ELC closed

April

Mon 1 st – Fri 12 th	Easter Holidays – School and ELC closed
Mon 15 th – Fri 26 th	Health Fortnight Focus in school – more info to follow
Tues 16 th	Homework and Reading starts
Mon 22 nd	P6 Sharing the Learning – 2.00pm
Wed 24 th	P5-7 Cross Country Race, Callendar Park
Thurs 25 th	Health Open Afternoon for families 1.00pm

May

Fri 3 rd	In-service day – School and ELC closed to pupils
Mon 6 th	Holiday – School and ELC closed

Dates for your



Sun 12 th	Bonny Cup Football Competition – Bonnybridge PS
Mon 13 th – Fri 24 th	Enterprise Fortnight for pupils
Mon 13 th	P3 Sharing the Learning – 2.00pm
Thurs 23 rd	Antonine Gold Accreditation Visit Day for Rights Respecting Schools
Sun 26 th	Minerva Cup Football festival, Denny PS
Wed 29 th	Summer Fayre -evening
Wed 29 th	ELC Sports Day - AM
Thurs 30 th	P1-3 Sports Day – AM
Fri 31 st	P4-7 Sports Day – AM

June

Thur 6 th and Fri 7 th	Denny HS – P7 Transition Days
Fri 7 th	Homework and reading stops
Fri 7 th	ELC end of year statements and school reports out to families
Sun 9 th	Connell Cup Football League, St Joseph's PS
Wed 12 th	P1-P3 Trip to Almond Valley (please pay on Ipay - £15)
Wed 12 th	ELC fun day in school
Thurs 13 th	P4-7 Trip to Dynamic Earth (please pay on Ipay - £15)
Wed 19 th	Meet my new teacher morning
Fri 21 st	P7 Leavers event – 4.00-7pm
Tues 25 th	P7 Leavers Assembly – 1.45-2.45pm
Wed 25 th	ELC Celebration
Thur 27 th	Pupil Disco – P1-3 5.45pm P4-7 7.00pm
Fri 28 th	School closes at 1.30pm