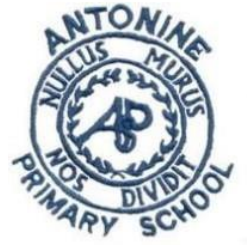


Welcome to Antonine Primary School



Parent/Carer Information Booklet

2025-2026



General Information

Entry into school: We have three entrance gates. The main gate beside the ELC at the main entrance and two gates on the path at the side of the school.

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| Times: | School starts | 9.00 am |
| | Break | 10.30am – 10.45am |
| | Lunchtime | 12.15pm – 1.00pm |
| | School finishes | 3.00pm |

Attendance: In order to make satisfactory progress at school it is essential that pupils are punctual and attend school regularly. If your child is absent, please phone the school in the morning – we have an answering machine that will record any messages early in the morning or late at night. If you do not contact the school, we will automatically send you a text message to ask you to contact us.

A note is required on his/her return explaining the reason. It is helpful to advise the school of any appointments with doctors, dentists, hospitals etc, in advance. This can be done with a note to the class teacher.

Should you collect your child during the school day for an appointment we would ask that you sign them out using the sign out jotter at the main entrance. This is for fire safety to ensure we know who is in the building at all times of the day.

All holidays during term time will be recorded as unauthorised in accordance with Falkirk Council guidelines.



Uniform: Antonine PS encourages pupils to always wear school uniform. It is very easy for new school items to get lost, as they all look the same. To avoid this problem please clearly label all items of clothing with your child's name.

All schools have a dress code, which includes the school's policy on uniform. The wearing of uniform is encouraged as it helps to:

- develop a school community spirit
- improves school security by making non-pupils more easily identifiable
- allows pupils to be easily identified when out of the school, e.g. on trips
- enhances the school's reputation within the community; and
- minimises rivalry and bullying amongst pupils that can arise from, for example, the wearing of designer clothing.

The school's dress code has been agreed in consultation with parents, pupils, staff and the Parent Council. This consultation has ensured that the dress code meets the needs of the school community, allows pupils to participate in all aspects of school life and is age appropriate.

**Items can be purchase from the BE schoolwear shop in Falkirk or online
@ www.border-embroideries.co.uk**

At Antonine the uniform is:-

White polo shirt or white shirt and school tie
School Jumper - Royal blue jumper/cardigan
School Zip up or Hoodie – Royal Blue
Blue Gingham School Dress
Grey/Black trousers or skirt/pinafore
Dark shoes or dark trainers.



P6 and P7 Uniform

Black school jumper or black cardigan.
White polo-shirt or a white shirt and school tie.
School Zip up/Hoodie - Black
Black trousers/skirt/pinafore
Dark shoes or dark trainers.

Gym Kit

Pupils can come to school in gym clothing on their gym days.

Antonine - Gym Kit – to be worn to school on Gym days

Plain T-Shirt
School Jumper - Royal blue jumper/cardigan
School Zip up or Hoodie – Royal Blue
Black/Grey plain Joggers/leggings
Trainers

P6 and P7 Uniform

Black school jumper or black cardigan.
Plain T-Shirt
School Zip up/Hoodie - Black
Black Joggers/leggings
Trainers

Gym Days: Once the term begins your child's teacher will let you know which days are gym days. Primary 1 will have gym twice a week for the full year. For safety reasons earrings, necklaces, bracelets, watches and rings must not be worn. If earrings can't be removed, please put gauze tape over these.

Lunch: Primary Lunch Menus offer healthy and tasty meal options whilst reflecting the Scottish Government food and drink legal requirements for School Lunches. Special diets and allergies are usually accommodated subject to consultation with the parent/guardian and the regional dietician. Primary School Menus provide 3 daily choices with High Schools providing a range of plated meals, pasta, meal deals and salads. Meal prices are reviewed annually. This information is available of the Falkirk Council website. [School meals - Primary school meals | Falkirk Council](#)

All P1-5 pupils are entitled to a free school meal. In the case of P6-P7 and secondary aged pupils, some families may be eligible to apply to Falkirk Council for provision of free school meals.

Antonine Primary School uses I-Pay Impact online payments to help reduce administration and cash handling in schools and also to allow pupils to reduce the amount of cash they carry to schools.

For school meals, each pupil has an account that can be topped up. There are two ways to pay money into this account:

- Falkirk Council I-Pay Impact web site for school payments:
- <http://www.falkirk.gov.uk/do-it-today/pay/schools/>

In addition, the online - I Pay Impact website allows you to make a week of Meal selection choices for your child for up to 4 weeks in advance, even for Free and Universal Free school meal pupils. Pre-ordering saves time in class and helps the kitchen reduce waste.

In order to use the Falkirk Council I-Pay Impact web site you must have a Mygovscot account. More information can be obtained from the school office.

Medically Prescribed Diets

Parents/Carers with a child/ren on a medically prescribed diet should contact the Headteacher in order to obtain and complete a prescribed diet referral and declaration form. The Schools Meals Service will then be able to accommodate a child/ren with a medical referral diagnosed by a medical professional.

Homework: Your children will have various types of homework. We will share homework on the class Teams page. This information will be shared in August. Please encourage them to explain their homework and tell you about it. The purpose of homework is to allow you to talk to your child about what they are doing at school and to give you the opportunity to see your child's progress and achievements. Your child will be given a homework jotter to complete their work in.

People Who Work at Antonine PS

Your child will talk to lots of different people during the day at school and sometimes it is helpful to know names and what we look like. Here are just a few people that your children are likely to talk to during the day.



Mrs McLaughlin – Headteacher



Mrs Casey– Deputy Headteacher



Mrs McFarlane – Principal Teacher



Mrs Matheson – School Clerical



Mrs McConkey
Support for Learning
Assistant



Mrs McDonald
Support for Learning
Assistant



Mrs Welsh
Support for Learning Assistant



Mr Millar
Janitor

Restorative Approaches to Positive Behaviour

Whilst many believe that children who display bullying behaviour should be punished, it is widely accepted that this type of response can at times be ineffective and make the situation worse.

The adoption of restorative approaches is evidenced to be a more effective response than traditional methods. Pupils are given the opportunity to accept responsibility for their actions, recognise the harm done and are supported to find restorative responses to the harm they have caused.

There are times where sanctions are appropriate; exclusion is seen as a last resort and carried out when incidents fall within the legislation criteria.

Falkirk Council has a responsibility to provide an education for all pupils and to challenge and address bullying behaviour. Whilst appropriate action will be taken by the school, it is also important that all parent/carers, work with the school to resolve any issues in the best interests of their child or young person.

Antonine PS promotes an open conversation around bullying and have adopted "Anti-Bullying Ambassadors" in every class.

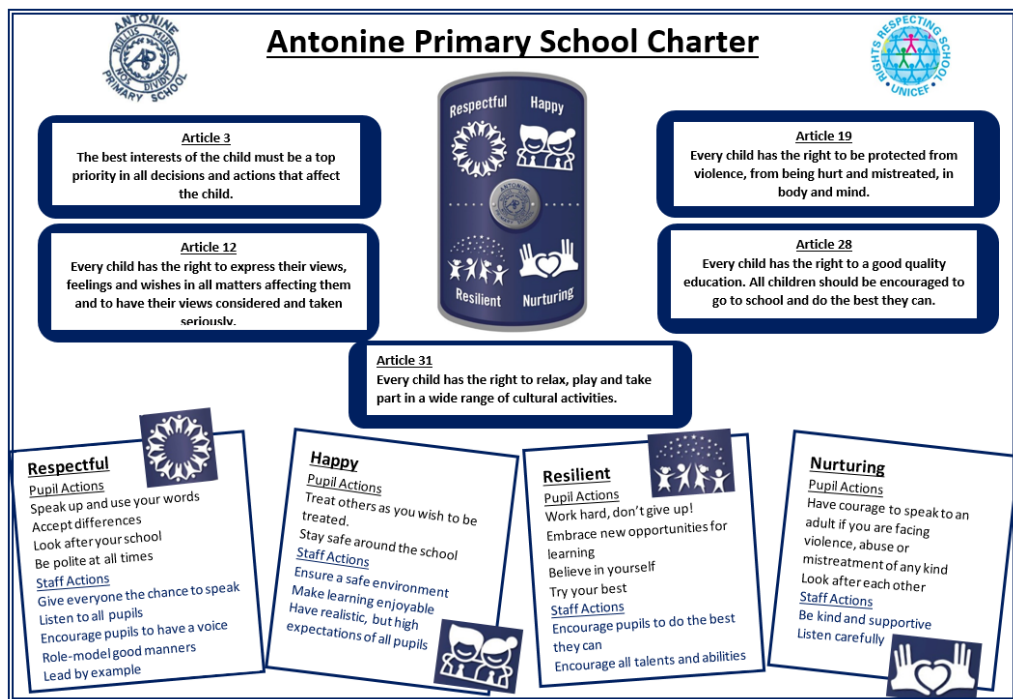
Parents can access Falkirk Council's Anti-Bullying Policy, 'Promoting Positive Relationships in Falkirk's Educational Establishments; on the Council website:

www.falkirk.gov.uk/services/schools-education/policies-strategies/anti-bullying-policy.aspx

Antonine Primary School has a nurturing environment that promotes positive behaviour and has programmes in place to support this. Each teacher creates with the class an agreed "Class Charter" whereby the class can function well to allow all pupils to learn.

School staff work together to gain an understanding of the needs of individual children so that those who struggle with any kind of learning issues can have the best support possible. There is a culture of mutual respect where differences are valued. School staff are trained in restorative approaches to conflict.

Pupil motivation is high – different learning styles are adhered to, parents are very involved in learning through homework links and communication, success both within and out-with school is celebrated, and Personal and Social development programmes are in place in classes and through engagement in assemblies. Pupils take part in activities run by Falkirk Council's creative learning and sports teams allowing pupils to travel to different venues and experience learning in a different environment.



The poster is titled "Antonine Primary School Charter" and features the school's logo on the top left and a UNICEF logo on the top right. In the center is a vertical banner with the words "Respectful", "Happy", "Resilient", and "Nurturing" and icons of children. Surrounding this banner are five boxes, each containing an article of the charter. At the bottom are four cards, each representing one of the four values: Respectful, Happy, Resilient, and Nurturing, with specific actions for pupils and staff.

Antonine Primary School Charter

Article 3
The best interests of the child must be a top priority in all decisions and actions that affect the child.

Article 12
Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them and to have their views considered and taken seriously.

Article 19
Every child has the right to be protected from violence, from being hurt and mistreated, in body and mind.

Article 28
Every child has the right to a good quality education. All children should be encouraged to go to school and do the best they can.

Article 31
Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural activities.

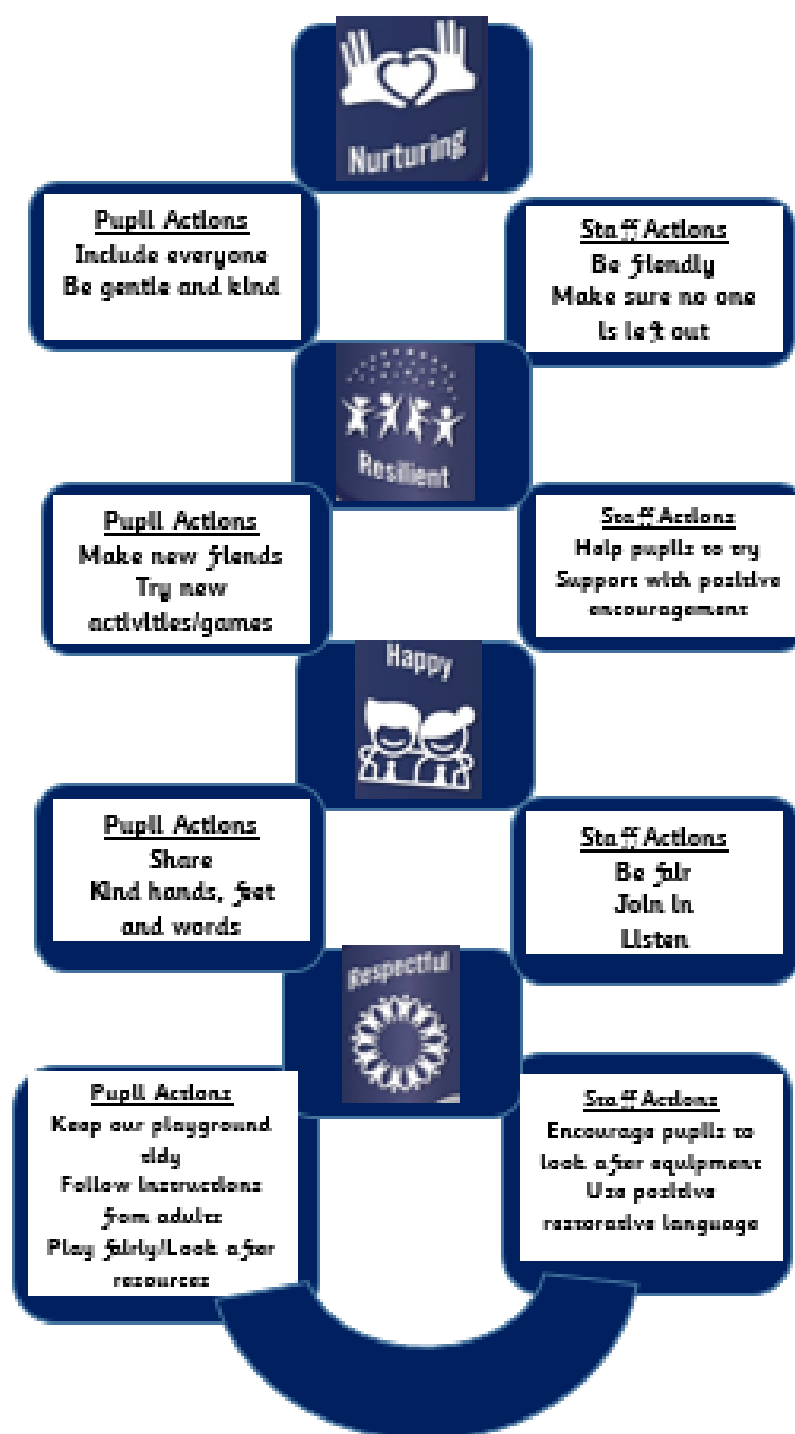
Respectful
Pupil Actions
Speak up and use your words
Accept differences
Look after your school
Be polite at all times
Staff Actions
Give everyone the chance to speak
Listen to all pupils
Encourage pupils to have a voice
Role-model good manners
Lead by example

Happy
Pupil Actions
Treat others as you wish to be treated.
Stay safe around the school
Staff Actions
Ensure a safe environment
Make learning enjoyable
Have realistic, but high expectations of all pupils

Resilient
Pupil Actions
Work hard, don't give up!
Embrace new opportunities for learning
Believe in yourself
Try your best
Staff Actions
Encourage pupils to do the best they can
Encourage all talents and abilities

Nurturing
Pupil Actions
Have courage to speak to an adult if you are facing violence, abuse or mistreatment of any kind
Look after each other
Staff Actions
Be kind and supportive
Listen carefully

Antonine Primary School Playground Charter



We have a “House” system in school. Every pupil belongs to a house and throughout the year as part of our Assembly Programme, pupils meet in their houses to discuss school issues and improvement.

Pupils collect dojo points throughout the week. These are recorded digitally, and certificates are given each week for the pupil who has earned the most points.

At the end of every term the “House” with the most points gets a reward which they are involved in choosing. Throughout the year we hold house quizzes and house sports events. The pupils love being part of this system.

Your child’s transition booklet included information about which school house they have been allocated.

This is our positive behaviour ladder – it supports pupils to make the best choices whilst in school and rewards positive behaviour. There is also a copy of our School Values shield. This was established by parents, pupils and staff and something we refer to often in managing pupil behaviour and choices.



Antonine Primary School

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| Above and Beyond (+3 dojo) |
| Making Excellent Choices (+2 dojo) |
| Making Good Choices (+1 dojo) |
| Ready to Learn |
| Stop and Think |
| Mindful Moment |
| Consequence |

Pupils are encouraged through curriculum programmes to develop a healthy lifestyle, including personal wellbeing, developing the ability to make good choices, personal fitness and healthy eating.

School Policies

On the school website you will find copies of school policies relevant to you. Click on the resources section and scroll down to find policies. www.antonineps.schoolwebsite.scot

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Falkirk Council Parent Leaflet - Numeracy.pdf

Policies


Duty of Candour Policy.pdf

Digital Learning and ICT Policy Antonine Sep 2020.pdf

Restorative Behaviour Policy August 2020.pdf

Antonine Health & Wellbeing Policy Aug 2020.pdf

ELCC Restorative Behaviour Policy August 2020.pdf




May 31, 2021

Antonine Primary Retweeted

Primary 3
@MissBellAnto

We even got to watch some very dangerous moves from Euan & Bobi @destinationjudo



Keeping in Touch

Antonine Primary's school handbook is available to access online:
www.falkirk.gov.uk/places/schools-nurseries/primary-schools/docs.

You can keep up to date with all school information via:

- school app (Download Primary School App)
- Twitter (@antonine01) is the main school account.
- Your child's class also have a Twitter page which we will share with you when the new session starts.
- School Website - <http://antonineps.schoolwebsite.scot/> This is linked to the school app and contains the same information.

All key information is emailed and added to the app, this is our main means of communication. Please ensure that you keep us informed of any changes of address, phone numbers and email addresses.

A two monthly newsletter will keep you up to date with everything that is happening in school.

You may also wish to join the Parent Council or the Events Committee. Further details will be announced in the new session.