



Bankton Primary School

January Newsletter

This term:

Outings:

Lots of classes are in the midst of planning outings for the coming term, please make sure that EE2 given is filled in and handed back, payment for these will be through ipay as usual.

Lost Property:

We have lots of lost property from last term, including jackets, these will be available to look through at our PATPAL on Tuesday 27th January.

Scots Poetry:

We traditionally celebrate Scots poetry in January each year and your child will be given a poem to learn to recite.

Home learning:

Through consultation with parents/carers, we actioned that home learning would mainly involve reading at home. Preparing your child at home means that they are ready to read confidently with their peers in class and can then complete the relevant activity attached to this. In the upper school, the children are given longer to complete as they have larger sections to read, this also starts to build good routines for when they move to secondary school. Teachers then offer Sumdog as an addition if you wish.

Dates for your diary:

27/1/26 – PATPAL and Bankton Blether (you are welcome in classes and the hall again from 9am)

9/2/26 – February Holiday, children return on Tuesday 17th February

2/3/26 - P7 away to school camp

25/3/26 and 26/3/26 – Parent/Carer consultations (you will be notified when parent booking will be open)

30/3/26 – School holiday, children return on Tuesday 14th April

Class Assemblies:

You are invited to come along to your child's class Assembly again this session, these are on a Friday and begin at 11.50am, you enter through the bottom door near the nursery. We look forward to seeing you at these to share in your child's learning success.

The dates for these are as follows:

16/1/26 – P1b – Mrs Thomson

6/2/26 – P5a – Miss Ward

27/2/26 – P5b – Miss Kerr

6/3/26 – P2/1 – Mrs Sutherland

24/4/26 – P6b – Mrs Wood

15/5/26 – P3b – Mrs Dickson and Miss Edmond (note change of date)

29/5/26 – P1a – Mrs Lloyd

12/6/26 – P4b – Mrs Peebles

Communication:

- Our [School App](#) is where we will communicate dates and messages to our families
- After the holidays, Mrs Ferguson, Mrs Evans, Mrs Murdoch and our Pupil Support team will be at the doors each morning
- There will also be a Newsletter each month with updates and important dates included
- The school email address is wlbankton-ps@westlothian.org.uk where you can leave a message and someone will get back to you
- School phone number is 01506 283800

Kind regards,

Mrs Yvonne Ferguson and Team Bankton