



## **Bankton Primary School**

### **May 2026 Newsletter**

As you may already be aware, we have had lots of visitors around our school over the past few weeks. We had Care Inspectorate in our nursery who graded us as Very Good across the indicators! Here are some of the comments they made –

- Very complimentary of our children – they saw them being kind and supportive and that they knew their Bankton Nursery Values and were able to talk about them
- All children were engaged in high quality activities
- All staff were responsive to the needs of the children, and all interactions were warm and nurturing
- Lovely environments which are well resourced and catered to all children's needs and interests.
- Excellent family involvement through Stay and Play, Values Tea Party, Peep, Book Bug
- Excellent systems and procedures for health and safety – medication, child protection, personal care.

Thank you for all of your support and kind wishes!

We then had our Validated Self-Assessment from West Lothian Council Education Officers who were very complimentary of our learners and environments! We would like to share some of their feedback:

- School values are visible and embedded throughout the school
- All staff have high expectations and aspirations of all learners
- High quality learning environments throughout the school
- Children able to talk about the metaskills confidently
- Children's rights are fully embedded throughout the school
- Pupil voice and choice was evident throughout learning and decision-making
- Pupils contribute to the life of the school through a vast range of learner leadership opportunities.
- All classes are very well resourced with learning and with digital resources
- Positive relationships at the heart of all that we do

This meant that we were validated at our Very Good grading across the indicators!

### Dates for your diary:

Monday holiday: 18<sup>th</sup> May, children should return on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May – Nursery-P1 Transition will begin (all dates and events have already been emailed)

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May – P6 will be at The JYHS with teachers in school time

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May – P7s at The JYHS, Health Conference (all P7 events have already been sent out)

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – P5-7 School Show at 6.15pm (tickets will be released next week)

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June – P5-7 School Show at 2pm

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June – Annual Sports Day P1-4 at 9.15am-10.30am and P5-7 at 1.30pm-3pm

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – P7 Leaver Assembly at 2pm

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June – P7 Leaver Party – 7pm-9pm

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Last day

### 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:

15/5/26 – P3b – Mrs Dickson and Miss Edmond

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 [wbankton-ps@westlothian.org.uk](mailto:wbankton-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



Respect

Inclusion

Co-operation

Kindness

Perseverance