

Bankton Primary School Newsletter

October 2015



All Aboard for Inchcolm Island!



Last week 90 children and 9 adults including the headteacher left Bankton by coach en route for Inchcolm Island for a Katie Morag experience. Arriving in Queensferry for a specially chartered sailing, the children were very excited to be boarding the Maid of the Forth. We sailed under the Forth Railway Bridge and spotted seals basking in the Autumn sunshine. The trip started with a walking tour of the island and a walk around the Abbey followed by class photos. Everyone enjoyed lunch on the beach followed by beachcombing, Katie Morag style! Cole said, "The rock pools were awesome" and Tianna loved sharing her shell collection with her friends on the boat home. Many thanks to our parent and grandparent helpers – your time was appreciated!

Internet Safety Week



Classes across the school will focus on Internet Safety from 27th – 30th October.

Internet safety week will cover topics such as personal safety, cyber bullying, safe use of apps / software / protecting your personal information / messaging and photographs. Parents can reinforce these messages using guidance included in the 'Safe Use of the Internet' information sheet on the BLOG.

West Lothian Council P.7 Consultation

Well done to Ryan Mahood and Fraser Muir who represented P.7 at the WLC Consultation in Howden Park Centre. They were asked lots of questions by Councillor Fitzpatrick and James Cameron, Head of Education Services and answered very positively about our school.

Confident individuals @ Bankton

School Photographs



Advance notice that Tempest Photographers will be in school for individual and family photographs on 5th November - School uniform please!

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/BanktonPrimarySchoolBlog/>

Have you visited our BLOG recently? Check out our latest posts complete with photographs of our exciting learning. Each week a BLOG Champion Class will be awarded a certificate at Assembly. Please comment on our posts!

Hallowe'en Parties

Many thanks to our hardworking Parent Council who are planning and preparing for our school Hallowe'en Parties.

The parties will be held on Thursday, 29th October in the Great hall.

P.1 – P.4: 6.30 – 7.30pm

P.5 – P.7: 7.45 – 8.45pm

Spooky costumes compulsory!!!!



Diary Dates for Term 2



26.10.15: In-Service Day for Staff / Holiday for Pupils

27.10.15: Start of Internet Safety Week

29.10.15: Pantomime – Robin Hood – 9.15 – 10.30am

3.11.15: P.3 Multi-Sports Festival, Craigswood Sports Centre

5.11.15: School Photographs

10/11.11.15: SSPCA workshops

11.11.15: Parents' Evening / Book Fayre

13.11.15: Children in Need / Parents' Afternoon / Stellar Awards

24.11.15: P.6 Cluster Service, Lanthorn Centre

30.11.15: P.6 Family Ceilidh

2.12.15: Christmas Dinner

8.12.15 / 10.12.15 – P.1 and P.2 Nativity

11.12.15: P.1 Party

14.12.15: Nursery Nativity – am and pm

DETAILS OF PARTIES TO FOLLOW IN NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

Class Assemblies – Term 1

Well done to P.5 and P.5/6 who have worked hard to prepare Class Assemblies for their parents and families.

P.5 Showcased their Harvest Assembly, including information about the local Foodbank, a Harvest Alphabet and a Harvest song set to a samba rhythm.



P.5/6 entertained parents with a slideshow of photographs from their Lowport Residential experience. Certificates and Head Teacher Awards were presented for skills development at Lowport. Well done everyone!

Sportshall Athletics

P.7 represented Bankton at a Sportshall Athletics Festival held at Craigswood Sports Centre. They competed in a range of athletics activities alongside pupils from schools in the James Young Cluster. Miss Kennedy gave them a 'thumbs up' for positive attitude and effort.

Fit kids @ Bankton

Your Parent Council Needs You!

Can you help with the Christmas Fayre

on Sat. 28th November?

Contact Leigh Sherwood – leighsherwood1978@gmail.com

