

BEANCROSS NEWSLETTER

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Team Beancross

The school football teams, coached by Mr Blair and Mr Egan, displayed fantastic teamwork and determination as they competed in the Active Schools Falkirk East Tournament hosted at Grangemouth High School. Well done!



Rehearsals are underway for our March performance at the Albert Halls in Stirling! We're practicing Coldplay's "Viva La Vida" and an "Old School to New Cool" Oasis/Green Day mashup.

To strengthen our performance, P7s now rehearse with us on Thursday afternoons during school, while our main Glee sessions run Tuesdays after school.

P5-P7 pupils can still sign up via Class for Kids!

Dr. Bike

Two groups of our children worked with Dr Bike recently, to learn about essential maintenance and the basic skills needed for the upkeep of their bikes.



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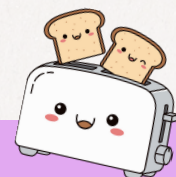
Things have certainly been busy here at Beancross since our return from the Christmas holiday! We have hit the ground running this January.. Our Primary 6 learners have embarked on their two-night residential adventure to Lockerbie Manor and hosted a wonderful Burns tribute for their families.

We celebrated local talent at our Cluster poetry competition, where we were incredibly proud of our representatives as well as our friends from Moray, Bowhouse, and Sacred Heart.

We have also welcomed the Grangemouth Children's Day committee into school for the excitement of voting on this year's retinue.

Please read on to find out more about these fantastic events and what else has been happening in school.

Happy Reading!



Breakfast Club

The Beancross Breakfast Club service is available to all children daily from 8:30am in the dining hall. No prior registration is required; learners can simply attend on the day. The daily cost is £2.40 per child or £4.80 for a family (siblings), which is payable directly at the club. Please note that this service is free for learners entitled to means tested Free School Meals.

Primary 6

Lockerbie Manor

From Monday 12th to Wednesday 14th January 2026, our Primary 6 learners enjoyed a fantastic mini-residential at Manor Adventures, Lockerbie Manor. Accompanied by Miss Lesko, Mr Blair, Miss Risk, and Miss Johnston, the children threw themselves into an action-packed itinerary.

We really did manage to pack so much into just three days! The children challenged themselves with a wide variety of activities, including raft building, axe throwing, the zip line, and the blind trail. The fun continued with a scavenger hunt, archery, climbing, and aeroball, before celebrating with a disco to round off the experience.

Miss Lesko commented that the group was absolutely great throughout the trip. The staff were particularly impressed by how well-mannered and polite the children were, and how eager they were to try as many of the activities as they could.

Well done, Primary 6!



Raft building!



A successful raft built and floating!



Climbing!



Night time adventures!

School Clubs...

Is your child interested in joining a club or starting something new? Check out the full list of school clubs on offer via our website:

<https://beancross-primary.classforkids.io/>



Primary 6 Burns Tribute

Our Primary 6 learners did themselves proud by hosting a fabulous tribute to Robert Burns for their parents and families. It was a true celebration of Scottish culture, complete with the traditional welcoming and toasting of the Haggis.

The event was filled with entertainment, featuring a wonderful selection of Scottish poems and singing performed by the children. To top off the celebrations, everyone enjoyed a variety of delicious Scottish treats.

We would like to say a massive thank you to Mrs Tilly's and Asda for their generous donations of treats, which helped make the event extra sweet.

Well done, Primary 6, for a fantastic afternoon!



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Primary 6

A Richt Blether...

It was a privilege for Beancross to host this year's "A Richt Blether," a long-standing tradition within the Grangemouth Schools Cluster.

We were delighted to welcome our friends from Moray, Bowhouse, and Sacred Heart primary schools to join us for a celebration of Scots language and performance.

Our children have been working incredibly hard to master their poems, with a specific Scots poem selected for each year group:

- Primary 1: The Wee Rid Motor by Sandy Thomas Ross
- Primary 2: Crocodile by J.K. Annand
- Primary 3: Circus by J.K. Annand
- Primary 4: The Sair Finger by Walter Wingate
- Primary 5: The Coming o the Wee Malkies by Stephen Mulrine
- Primary 6: A Dug, A Dug by Bill Keys
- Primary 7: To A Mouse by Robert Burns

We are super proud of every child who represented Beancross. It takes great confidence to stand up and perform in front of an audience, and the standard of delivery was exceptionally high.

A huge well done to all the Grangemouth children for making it such a memorable event.



"Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant."

— Robert Louis Stevenson

Grangemouth Children's Day



Grangemouth Children's Day is a cherished tradition in our town, dating back over 100 years. Since the early 1900s, families have gathered to celebrate the health and happiness of the town's young people, and it is a privilege for our school to remain a central part of this living history.

Following the visit from the Committee, the excitement culminated on Friday 16th January when the children cast their votes to select this year's retinue. It takes courage to put yourself forward for these roles, and we are incredibly proud of all the candidates.

We are delighted to share the Beancross Primary School Retinue for 2026:

- Queen: Casey-Ann
- Maids of Honour: Ella and Robyn
- Ladies in Waiting: Maisie, Sinead, Hollie, Ada, Meghan, Leah, Skye, and Millie
- Courtier: Cailean
- Herald: Kai
- Flower Girl: Evie
- Page Boys: Jamie and Blaine

A huge congratulations to our elected representatives. We look forward to seeing them take their place in history alongside the generations of Grangemouth children who have gone before them.

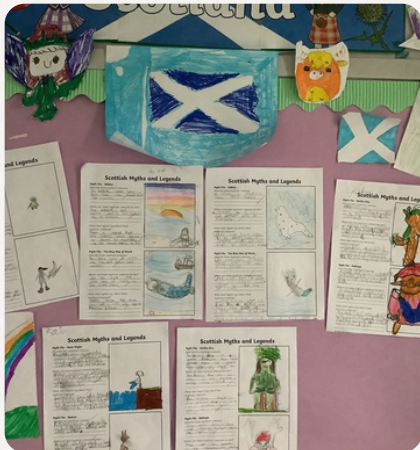
Join the Children's Day School Committee!
See Parent Council.



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LEARNING & TEACHING



Scottish Focus

Primary 2 have enjoyed Scottish food tasting as part of our Scottish focus week in January.



Primary 5 have been enjoying leading their own learning by choosing inventors to research and mythical creatures to create their own fact files on. They have also been exploring the style of a Scottish artist and mirrored the style in their own artwork.



Primary 3 have been very busy this January focusing on Scotland and reading lots of familiar texts but in Scots language - *The Gruffalo* in Scots was a favourite! When the mini Scotland theme finishes, the children want to explore coding! The plan is to teach coding using the app 'Scratch'.



A letter from a Dragon...

PISR received a very special letter from a dragon named Flicker who needs our help. We have been asked to help rebuild Fairyland and each week we will be given a new challenge to complete. Our first task is to help design and rebuild houses for the Three Little Pigs. Everyone is very excited!



Red Illustrated Cluster Project

Primary 7 have been exploring myths and legends through the 'Red Illustrated Cluster Project', focusing on the story of The Wisest of Cats. They were lucky to have illustrator Kate Leiper visit to teach the children professional illustration techniques.



Ten Beancross winners were selected to have their artwork displayed at the Kelpies Visitor Centre from 29th January until the end of February. The whole year group will get to visit the exhibition in February.

Primary 7 are also excited to be participating in the Air Race Challenge this term. Civil engineering firm QTS will visit Primary 7 to run STEM activities and discuss careers in the industry. Looking ahead to February, the children will also welcome a pilot for a special Q&A session about life in the cockpit.

Young Writers and more...

Primary 4 have had a busy and creative start to the term. Both classes are currently working hard on their entries for the Young Writers Competition.

In class-specific news, P4S have been getting hands-on with Lego Spike alongside Mrs Jack, while P4SL have enjoyed a block of live French lessons with Mrs McEwan from Graeme High School. Looking ahead, the children are excited for a range of upcoming STEM and creative activities, which will include coding with Sphero and Ollie, as well as baking and tie-dyeing.

