

BEANCROSS PS

Newsletter June 2026

Crowns, Community and Celebration!

GRANGEMOUTH CHILDREN'S DAY 2026

First established over a century ago, Grangemouth Children's Day is one of our community's most cherished annual traditions, bringing families together to celebrate the local youth.

On Saturday 20th June 2026, the town came alive as the grand procession made its way through decorated streets toward Zetland Park.

Beancross had the honour of providing the royal retinue and the Queen.

From our youngest nursery children waving from the floats to our primary children walking in the procession, it was a showcase of community spirit, history, and memories.



THE ARCHES...

The creativity and community spirit on display during Friday night's annual arch tour was nothing short of spectacular.

It is a long-standing Children's Day tradition for families of the retinue to build themed arches outside their homes.

School staff, families, and neighbours spent the evening touring the town to admire the hard work, and the atmosphere was absolutely amazing.

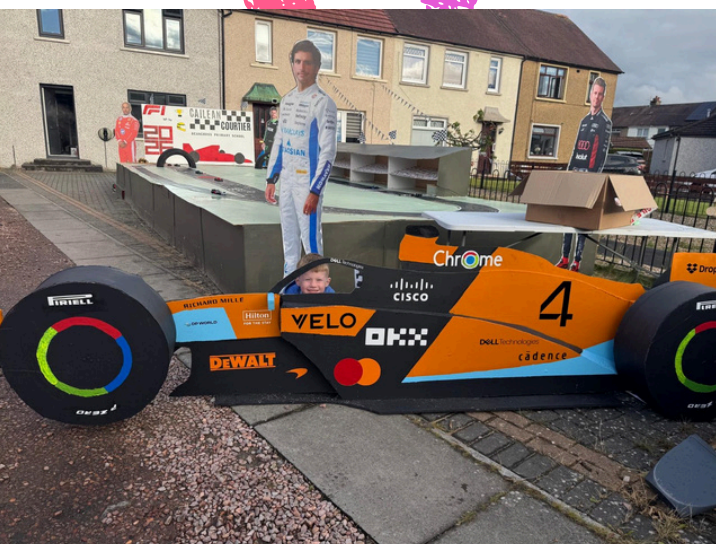
A massive thank you goes to all the parents, extended families, and friends who spent weeks designing, building, and perfecting these masterpieces—your dedication made the eve of Children's Day incredibly special for our children.



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A selection of the amazing arches!



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Afternoon Tea with the Queen!



We had the best day!



We would like to say a BIG thank you to the fantastic team of parents who took on the task of decorating our school and our nursery float.

This takes an huge amount of time, planning, and hard work, and we are incredibly grateful to everyone who stepped up to lead and support this project.

From all of us, THANK YOU!



THANK YOU

Primary 1 and Miss McGuckin



What an incredible year we've had in PIG! We learned our initial sounds, became readers and writers, and explored amazing topics like farms, Scotland, babies, China, aeroplanes and landmarks. We tackled adding, subtracting, and telling the time, and we even tested how far our paper planes could zoom. We starred in the Nativity, adventured to Callander Park and the Five Sisters Zoo, built the Great Wall of China, created stunning Charles Rennie Mackintosh-inspired stained glass windows, tasted Scottish treats, set up our own farmers market, and made lots of play dough. PIG has been busy, brilliant, and full of joy from start to finish.

Miss McGuckin

Primary 1 and Miss McIntyre



Wow! What a year we have had in Primary 1. We have enjoyed so many exciting experiences and have learned a lot throughout the year. Some of our favourite moments were our visits to Callendar House at Christmas, where we met Santa and helped save Rudolf, and our trip to Five Sisters Zoo, where we loved meeting all the animals. We also took part in lots of sports, including football and rugby. In the classroom, we have spent the year building, creating, investigating and learning through play. We have worked hard to develop our literacy and numeracy skills, explored new topics and challenged ourselves to try new things. Along the way, we have made new friends, grown in confidence and become more independent learners. We are very proud of everything we have achieved and of all the happy memories we have made together in Primary 1.

Miss McIntyre

Primary 1 and Mrs Scott & Mrs Rowan



We have had such a fantastic time in Primary 1 😊

We've loved exploring through play and following the children's interests as we learned about farming, transport, fairytales, and so much more. The children have shown wonderful creativity through role play, construction, art, and in their writing too. We also had two brilliant trips this year to the Five Sisters Zoo and to Callendar House at Christmas time, which everyone thoroughly enjoyed. We would like to wish everyone a lovely summer break and look forward to seeing you all again next session. Thank you for being so brilliant!

Mrs Scott and Mrs Rowan

Primary 2 and Miss Miller



This year P2M have enjoyed a range of learning experiences. They have performed in our Christmas Concert in December, took part in a sponsored walk around Grangemouth and thoroughly enjoyed learning about the Egyptians and Mini Beasts. We have continued to work hard and with great enthusiasm to further develop our literacy and numeracy skills and can't wait to keep learning harder times tables in Primary 3.

We also had a great time on our school trip to Deep Sea World where we learned all about sharks, skates and sea horses. Check out our pictures above.

Miss Miller

Primary 2 and Miss Melville



This year in Primary 2N, we have enjoyed developing our independence through play by completing our rainbow challenges. We have loved learning about a variety of exciting topics, including dinosaurs, space, our local community and living things.

We have also enjoyed celebrating our achievements together with whole – class rewards such as Pyjama Day and delicious ice cream sundaes. It has been a fantastic year filled with learning, fun, and new experiences. I hope you all have a wonderful summer holiday and wish you every success as you move on to Primary 3!

Miss Melville

Primary 3 and Miss Kelly & Miss Alexander

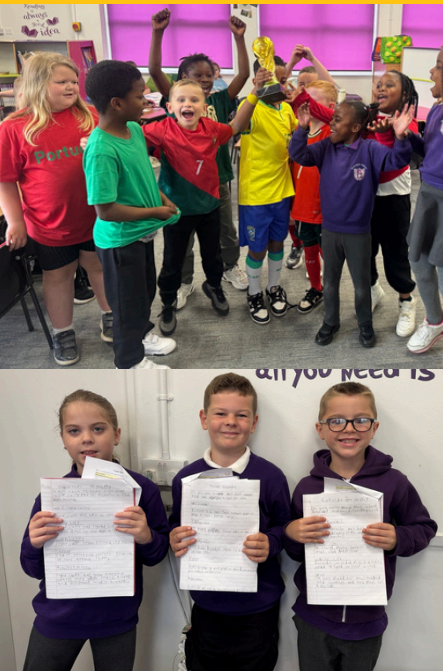


What a tremendous year it has been in P3K! The children have come a long way in their learning, and I am so proud of everything they have achieved. This year they have explored famous inventors, farming, famous artists and the rainforest, as well as other climates around the world. The children have approached each new theme in class with genuine curiosity, enthusiasm, and an eagerness to learn more, I hope that continues as they progress into Primary 4.

A big hug to my students and their families, it has been an absolute pleasure getting to know you all and I feel very lucky to have had the opportunity to look after your little treasures this year. We have made lots of special memories and I wish you all of my students the very best of luck as you move to your next class. Have a lovely summer and I can't wait to see you all again in August!

Miss Kelly

Primary 3 and Miss Rae



It has been a pleasure to work with P3L this term. The children have worked really hard and shown great enthusiasm in class. They have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the World Cup and linking it to their literacy and numeracy. In maths, they have particularly enjoyed exploring measure, especially bringing in their 3D dragons to estimate and measure, which created lots of excitement and engagement. They have also enjoyed creating their own farms as part of our farming topic and learning about the Five Pillars of Islam and Eid. I wish them all the very best as they move on to Primary 4—keep working hard and enjoying your learning.

Miss Rae

Primary 4 and Mrs Swan & Mrs Lang



Young Writers "I Have A Dream" Published Work



Our Local Area (Past & Present) using Apple TV

STEM - Lego Spike

Science - Phases of the Moon (Oreo Biscuits)

Mrs Swan & Mrs Lang have loved facilitating a variety of learning experiences for a very kind, creative and conscientious P4SL this year. We hope you've enjoyed this year as much as us and wish you lots of luck for P5 and beyond!

Mrs Swan and Mrs Lang

Primary 4 and Mr Sinclair



P4S have had a fantastic year full of learning, laughter, and achievement. Through our Thinking Classrooms approach and regular Number Talks, pupils have grown in confidence, becoming skilled problem-solvers who are willing to share their ideas, challenge themselves and work collaboratively with others.

We have enjoyed exploring a range of exciting topics, including The Human Body, Electricity and Forces, Space, Wars of Independence and Our Local Area. Highlights included our participation in the RSPB Big Schools' Birdwatch, our visit to Deep Sea World, our Easter Enterprise, LEGO Spike activities, our Christmas Concert, and our treat day at Zetland Park. Along the way, pupils have demonstrated creativity, resilience, teamwork, and kindness, making our classroom an ambitious and supportive place to learn.

Mrs Jack and I are incredibly proud of everything P4S have achieved and wish them the very best as they move on to Primary 5. Keep being curious, keep believing in yourselves and continue to aim high. It has been a pleasure to watch you grow this year, and we know you will do great things!

Mr Sinclair

Primary 5 and Mrs Edwards



What an incredible, action-packed year it has been in Primary 5! We have filled the year with creativity, teamwork, and outstanding achievements. Our pupils have thrived across the curriculum, diving deep into our Rainforest topic, exploring the outdoors, tackling hands-on STEM challenges, and unleashing their creativity in Art and Design and our fantastic school show. Whether working independently, collaborating in groups, or leading their own learning, the children have shown immense dedication. A definite highlight was our brilliant class trip to the Safari Park, which brought our learning to life!

I am incredibly proud of everything Primary 5 has accomplished this year. You have consistently demonstrated our school values of motivation, respect, nurture, and ambition in everything you do. Huge congratulations on a fantastic year, and the very best of luck as you take the step up into Primary 6. Have a wonderful, well-deserved summer holiday!

Mrs Edwards

Primary 5 and Miss Mitchell



We've had a fantastic year together in P5, filled with exciting learning and brilliant memories. From exploring the rainforest and diving into science topics to becoming confident digital learners with your iPads, you have shown curiosity, creativity, and enthusiasm every step of the way. Our trip to Blair Drummond Safari Park was a real highlight and a wonderful way to celebrate everything you have achieved. I am so proud of all you've accomplished in Primary 5 and wish you the best of luck for Primary 6 and beyond.

Miss Mitchell

Primary 6 and Mr Blair



P6B have had a fun-filled and memorable year packed with exciting opportunities and achievements. We began the year on a digital learning journey, developing our technology skills through a range of learning apps and competitive Blooket challenges. One of the highlights was our visit to the Sky Academy, where we used state-of-the-art technology to create and present our very own news reports, helping us further develop our digital skills and confidence.

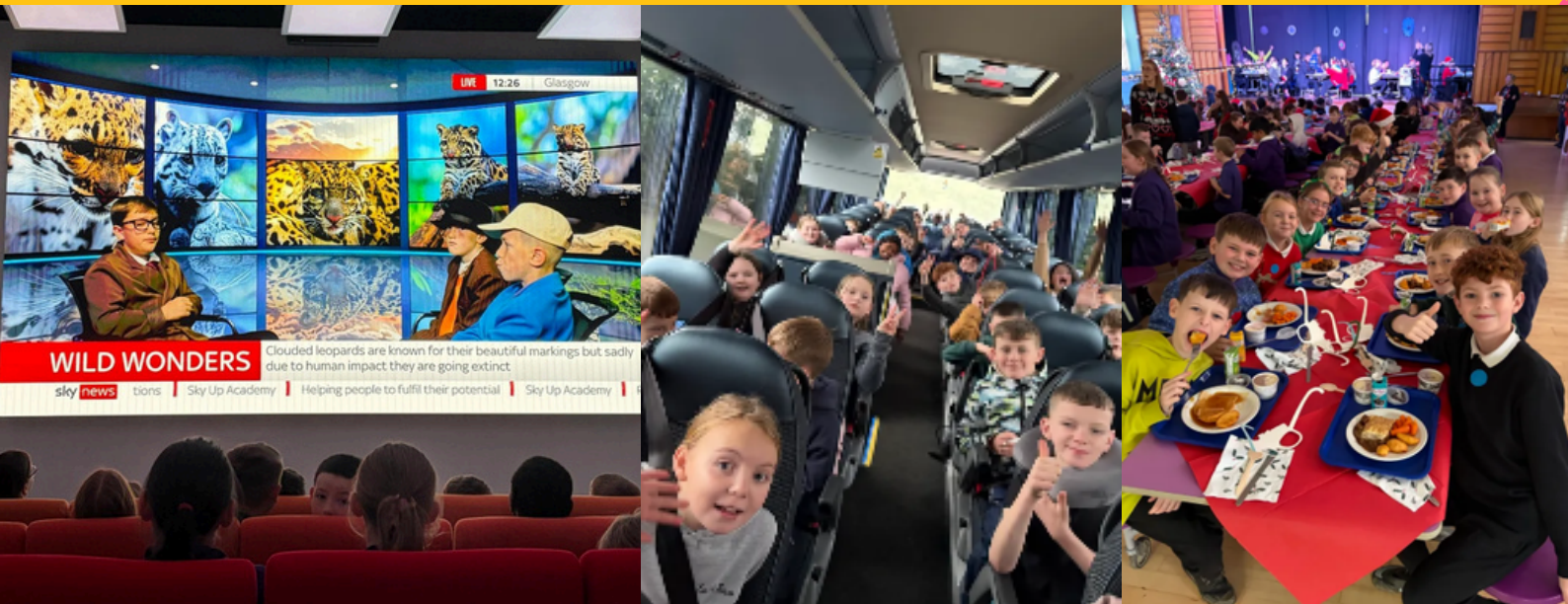
During our outdoor adventure in Lockerbie, we took part in activities such as raft building, axe throwing and zip lining. The trip challenged us to work together, build resilience and create lasting memories.

We also placed a strong focus on Health and Wellbeing throughout the year. We successfully completed both Level 1 and Level 2 Bikeability, developing important cycling skills and road safety awareness.

We have shared many laughs, successes and special moments together. While we have loved our time in P6B, we are now ready and excited for the challenges and opportunities that await us in P7.

Well done, P6B! **Mr Blair**

Primary 6 and Miss Risk



What an incredible year it has been for Primary 6R! This year has been packed with unforgettable memories, starting with our fantastic digital learning journey, highlighted by our inspiring trip to the Sky Academy. We also embraced the great outdoors during our residential trip to Lockerbie Manor, where everyone showed amazing teamwork and bravery tackling new challenges. It's been wonderful to see so much independence shine through this year, with everyone exercising great pupil choice in selecting their own research topics and reading books. And who could forget January, when we came together for a spectacular Burns Supper to celebrate the life and times of Robert Burns?

P6R have all grown so much, and I am incredibly proud of all of their hard work and creativity. Huge congratulations on completing P6, and wishing all of Primary 6R the very best of luck as you step up into P7! Keep shining! **Miss Risk**

Our Treehouse and Mr Egan & Dr Parnell

It's been another exciting term in The Treehouse! Our children have enjoyed visits from Galaxy football and East Stirlingshire FC, as well as a trip to ASDA and to the Edinburgh Children's Festival. Everyone loved the chance to show off their footballing skills, and seeing a show was a great experience.

On our trip to ASDA we got the chance to work the tills, see in the ware house, sit in a delivery lorry, and even made our own personal pizzas! Huge thanks to Hazel the community champion for facilitating our trip. As well as our trips, we have had visits from different professions as part of our World Of Work topic. We have also worked hard on finessing our cooking skills and have made delicious Mexican, Italian, Scottish and American food. We have become confident French speakers, and learned a lot as part of our Animals topic.

Well done, everyone! Have a brilliant summer!

Dr Parnell and Mr Egan



Primary 7 and Miss Meikle



What an incredible year it's been in P7M! From exploring Big Ben, Buckingham Palace, LEGOLAND, and Harry Potter Studios on their London residential, to dancing the night away to a DJ and eating pizza at their glitzy 'A Night at the Oscars' Leavers' Party, they have made memories to last a lifetime. Pupils have truly excelled this year, achieving their Young STEM Leader Awards after placing an amazing 5th out of 48 schools in the Air Race Challenge, where they flew drones through a custom London-themed obstacle course and met a real pilot.

Their creativity and ambitions shone bright, from working with illustrator Kate Leiper on the Red Illustrated Project and seeing their work displayed at the Kelpies, to exploring future careers in full PPE with a visit from QTS. To top it all off, they brought pure magic to both the Beancross and Grangemouth High School stages, dressing up to perform songs from Disney's 'Dare to Dream'. It has been an absolute joy to see you learn, grow, and have so much fun, you really are an amazing bunch! Thank you for all the laughs and memories.

I wish you all the best of luck for High School and your very bright futures!
Miss Meikle

Art and Design



As we reach our final week of Art, I would like to say a huge well done to all of our pupils for the wonderful creativity, enthusiasm and effort they have shown throughout the year. It has been a pleasure to see their confidence and artistic skills grow across so many exciting projects.

Our P5–P7 pupils have explored a wide range of techniques including painting and drawing, photography, transient land art, texture studies and oil pastel transfer work. Meanwhile, our P1–P3 pupils have enjoyed mark making, collage, nature-inspired transient art, papier-mâché, oil pastel work and much more.

I have loved every minute of sharing these creative experiences with our pupils and celebrating their fantastic achievements. Thank you for all of your hard work and imagination this year. Have a wonderful summer holiday! **Miss McQuade** 🌞🕶️

Primary 7 and Miss Penn



Our Primary 7 pupils have had a busy and memorable final year at Beancross Primary School. Through a range of exciting experiences, they have grown in confidence, independence and maturity, and we are proud of all they have achieved.

One standout experience for P7 was taking part in the Red Illustrated Award art project, working with an illustrator to explore a range of visual techniques. They developed Tingatinga-style artwork based on an excerpt from a book, visualising and recreating what they imagined the scene would look like. As a class, we visited The Kelpies, where their work was displayed, and enjoyed a tour inside to learn about the engineering and history of the structure.

Another memorable experience was our Air Race STEM challenge. Pupils learned about aerodynamics and worked collaboratively as part of an interdisciplinary project, linking learning across art, maths, literacy, technology and science through flight-based challenges. They developed skills in navigating drones, created a drone obstacle course and had the opportunity to hear from a real pilot, bringing real-world context to their learning.

Finally, the Primary 7 trip to London brought together many of their learning experiences. Prior to the visit, pupils explored a range of topics related to London, including creating their own political parties. They also took part in Harry Potter-themed activities such as writing ghost stories, learning Quidditch in PE, creating adapted creatures in art and designing their own house banners. During the visit, they explored famous landmarks, as well as Legoland and the Harry Potter Studio Tour. They also took part in outdoor activities at their residential centre, creating memories that will stay with them for years to come.

It has been wonderful to see the Primary 7s grow this year, showing a positive attitude towards learning and dedication throughout. We are incredibly proud of all they have achieved and the contribution they have made to school life. We wish them all the very best as they move on to high school. Good luck, P7P!

Miss Penn

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A Message from the Leadership Team

As we reach the end of another incredibly busy and successful school year, we want to take a moment to look back on everything our school community has achieved. This session has been packed with learning, laughter, and unforgettable experiences across every single year group.

From our youngest children exploring new ideas to our Primary 7 leavers preparing for their next big step into high school, we have been constantly impressed by the resilience, creativity, and kindness shown by our learners.

A big thank you goes to you, our parents and carers. Your continued support, encouragement, and partnership are what make Beancross such a special place to learn and grow. Whether you helped with home learning, attended our showcase events, volunteered to support our trips, discos or joined in with the PTA, your dedication makes all the difference.

We would also like to express our thanks to our incredible staff team, whose hard work, enthusiasm, and care ensure our children thrive every single day.

We hope you all have a fantastic, relaxing summer break together. Enjoy the sunshine (fingers crossed!), stay safe, and make plenty of wonderful memories.

Have a great summer everyone!

**Andrew Watson, Stephanie Macfarlane,
Jennifer Lesko, Louise Meneely & Nicola Cummings**

Beancross Primary School Leadership Team

Return to School

Please note that the school and nursery will re-open for the new session on **Wednesday 12th August 2026.**