



Kinnaird Mainstream Thistle Wing and Annexe News

May

May has been an exciting month with a wide variety of learning experiences and activities for our pupils.

Classes 2026-27

Next session we have 22 classes, the same number as this year. For a variety of reasons all our classes have been reconfigured. Letters will be issued in due course. Class teachers have been working on new class formations. When doing this consideration is given to the following factors: friendships, additional support needs and learning groups.

We had hoped to share classes and teachers with parents by the end of May but we have a number of vacancies to recruit for so this will hold up the process. As soon as recruitment is completed we will get

letters out and begin our enhanced transition activities.

The main transition event for all pupils will take place on the morning of Monday 22nd June.

Please note: class formations are final and changes will not be considered. We ask that you trust the teacher judgements and professional dialogue that has taken place to make these decisions.

Kinnaird Sponsored Walk

Many thanks to all our families for raising a fabulous £7745.68 from our fundraising walk. The children had a wonderful day walking with their Kinnaird flags around our community. Many thanks to the parent volunteers who helped on the day and to the Fundraising Group for their hard work organising the event.

Well done to Cara Laird

who raised £60 at our Family Quiz night selling handmade items. She is donating the money made to Strathcarron.

Medically Prescribed Diets

As part of our commitment to ensuring children have access to the correct dietary requirements all requests for a medically prescribed diet must be reviewed annually. Please use the link to complete the form either to update or for a new request and return it electronically to the office by Monday 16th June. Please note without a completed form we cannot provide for specific dietary requirements next session.

<https://www.falkirk.gov.uk/schools/school-meals/medically-prescribed-diets>

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REMINDER

Bikes, Scooters etc.

Can parents please remember there should be no riding of bikes or scooters within the school grounds at any time. We ask that you remind children of this particularly younger children at pick up times.

Health Week

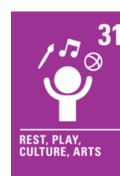
The children are experiencing a huge range of activities during Health Week and we have been very lucky with the weather. Each day has started with P6 leading fitness sessions and then classes participating in a range of sports such as dance, hockey, football, karate, basketball, tennis, gymnastics, drama and martial arts. A number of different coaches are supporting the activities as well as Active Schools. Our healthy lifestyle thinking will be challenged by the Health week quiz and class teachers are using the Theme Days to focus learning—Movement Monday, Tasty Tuesday, Walking Wednesday, Thankful Thursday and Feel Good Friday. The week started very competitively with House Football and Netball Tournaments. Our Health Week culminates with a visit from a GB Athlete on Friday. Many thanks to the staff team who organised a fabulous week.

Primary 5



Our P5 classes had an absolutely brilliant day out at the Glasgow Science Centre recently, trading the classroom for three floors of hands-on discovery!

From mind-bending optical illusions to racing against friends on the fitness test tracks, the pupils threw themselves into every interactive exhibit. The highlight of the trip, however, was our visit to the Planetarium. We were treated to a spectacular, immersive tour of the night sky, flying through the solar system, spotting constellations, and learning about the scale of our universe.



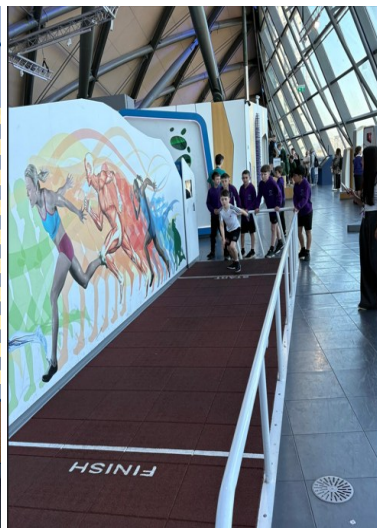
Primary 5



In the Planetarium, we could look up and see all the stars and planets. It looked really cool! - Aila



I really liked that you could interact with the different exhibits.—Maggie



I liked the wall of pins. You could put your head in and it could be seen from the other side.— Zack D



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Kinnaird Parent Partnership
Joint Chairs- Sherril &
Bryan Wright



Kinnaird Parent Partnership News

The last Parent Partnership meeting of the year took place on 30th April. This included the AGM. Sherril and Bryan Wright will continue as Joint Chairs.

Meeting dates 2026/2027—19/9/26, 19/11/26, 5/2/27, 25/3/27, 12/5/27 (Wed.)

DIARY DATES

JUNE

1st Homework Grid out—2 weeks

1st P1 Sports Day a.m.

1st Jura Class trip

2nd P2-4 Sports Day a.m.

2nd Annexe Summer Fun Day

3rd P5-7 Sports Day a.m.

3rd Cumbernauld Class Trip

4th Wing Sports Day

4th P2 Trip—Briarlands

4th Book Swap

5th Pupil Reports out

5th Annexe Sports Day

9th Book Café

10th P6&7 Careers Fayre

10th P4 Welly Wednesday

11th Wing Summer Fun Day

11th P7 disco 6.30 p.m.- 7.45 p.m.

15th O/door Ed Activity Wing

16th-18th P7's to Carrongrange

16th Leavers' Ceremony P7C&P7R—afternoon

17th Leavers' Ceremony P7B—afternoon

19th Leavers' Ceremony TWA

19th Food Bank

22nd Transition morning

24th P7 Cinema Trip

24th TWA Café

25th Summer Assemblies

26th Dress-down £1 per family

26th End of Term 1.30 p.m. finish

Staffing update

Congratulations to Mrs Tait (P3) who had a bouncing, baby boy called Carson. We wish the family all the best and look forward to some baby cuddles soon.

Mrs Brown heads off on maternity leave on Friday 12th June and we look forward to hearing news of her new arrival soon.

Miss Allan will return briefly in August before going on her maternity leave.

We will be interviewing for an Acting PT to take the place of Mrs Brown when she goes on maternity leave. Until then contact details remain the same:

Annexe Mrs McNairney
Wing Mrs Love
P1 Mrs Brown
P2 Mrs Douglas

P3 Mr Rutherford
P4&P7 Miss Taylor
P5&P6 Mr Denholm

MUGA

We have had a lot of litter on our MUGA recently which comes from children/young people playing there the night before. This takes Mr Derks a lot of time to make sure it is ready for school use each day. Can you please remind your children to take litter away with them or use the bin bags Mr Derks is putting out. We wish to support the use of this area for our local community but need your help ensuring it is looked after.

Uniform

We are looking for donations of school ties from any of our P7 pupils who no longer require them. If you are happy to donate can you hand these in to

the office after the P7 Leavers' Ceremonies.

Just a reminder our school badge is copywritten and trademarked and should only be used by authorised suppliers.

End of Term Arrangements

The school will close at 1.30pm on the 26th June. On this day there will be one choice for school meals—cheese or ham finger roll - available for those in receipt of free school meal entitlement only.

Gifts

As per Falkirk Council policy staff are only able to accept small gifts to the value of £12 or under.

Thank you,
Ghislaire Tait,
Headteacher