

Learning to Achieve
The Festival - A Celebration
27th September - 1st October



Our Learning to Achieve Festival – Information for Parents

Preparations for our Learning to Achieve Festival on the above dates are progressing very well. The Festival programme is designed to showcase our school's development of Learning to Achieve, which is Falkirk Council's approach to Curriculum for Excellence. Parents are vital partners in the education process, and we hope our Festival programme allows you to share in the achievements of your children.

Staff from all parts of education services have created a varied Festival programme with events which celebrate and allow us to share our progress towards Curriculum for Excellence. The Festival Programme provides for a very wide audience including parents/carers, pupils and staff.

The range of exciting events is too numerous to detail here but highlights include:

- The Scottish Commissioner for Young People, Tam Baillie, will host a session in Falkirk as part of his 2010 national pupil consultation, a ***RIGHT blether***. This will be broadcast live across Scotland through a National Glow Meet and will allow pupils from primary and secondary schools to contribute their views to this national consultation.
- Many of our establishments will host open events for parents and their local community and have issued an invitation to staff from other establishments to drop in. Parent Councils have planned and will be involved in delivering some of these events.
- Primary 5 and 6 teachers can be among the first to experience a “real life” hospitality industry event which will preview a new world of work visit for pupils this session. This visit promises to be a real, relevant and fun way to develop areas of Health and Well Being knowledge – and they get to make and eat pizza!
- Many establishments are taking advantage of the opportunity to involve pupils as much as possible in showcasing the learning and teaching they are developing to implement Curriculum for Excellence
- 120 Pupils from our small schools will enjoy a special interdisciplinary Scottish themed activity day at Blackness Castle on Festival Friday, planned in collaboration with Historic Scotland and the Travelling Gallery

Your child's school, their website and/or newsletter should be your first stop for further information on local Festival events designed for a parental audience. However there are also a small number of events open to all parents detailed in the Festival Parent Events table below. Please contact Ann Peoples, Administrative Assistant on 01324 501965 to book your place.

Events for Parent Audience

Code	Title	Date	Time	Venue	Description
LtA42	Active Schools Overview for Parents	28/09/2010	16.00 - 18.00	Olympic Suite, Camelon Education Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inform parents of the aims and outcomes of Active Schools • Provide a detailed description of how we achieve the aims and outcomes • Provide explanation of the role of volunteers within Active Schools
LtA19	Outdoor Learning and Curriculum for Excellence	27/09/2010	16.00 - 18.00	Muiravonside Outdoor Education Base	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise awareness of Outdoor Learning in Falkirk Council • Address Health and Safety concerns of parents • Outline the range of opportunities that pupils may be offered
LtA43	John Muir Award	29/09/2010	13.30 - 15.30	Whitecross P.S.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise awareness of the JMA • Demonstrate how the JMA can enhance learning • Raise awareness of the cross curricular opportunities that JMA offers

Please book your place by 8th September 2010