



The BAWB Federation Bainbridge, Askrigg, and West Burton Primary Schools

Mid-Dale Excellence in Education

Executive Headteacher: Miss Charlotte L. Harper

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Dear All,

It is certainly feeling Autumnal, it's hard to believe we are at the end of another week in school and that it's nearly October!



Y6 Secondary School application



Please find attached the information sheet and application form for Y6 pupils going to Secondary school in September 2021. The deadline is 31st October 2020.

GNAAS bag collection

A huge thank you to all those parents, staff and community members who dropped off bags for the Great North Air Ambulance Service bag collection. There was certainly plenty for the drivers to collect so let's hope plenty of money is raised for a brilliant cause!



Coats

Now that the weather is turning cooler and we are experiencing some very wet days, please can you ensure your children come to school in a warm, waterproof coat with a hood.

Waste Bins – Askrigg

Please could we request that members of the public refrain from using the bins that are situated in the car park at Askrigg School. Due to the current situation they have not been emptied for quite some time and though we have requested that collection services resume, we do not know when this will be.

People are leaving items which may not be removed by the council and is causing an issue for school, especially as children wait in the car park at the start and end of each day. Your cooperation is appreciated.

There is a paper/cardboard, tins and plastics recycling facility near the tennis courts next door to school.

Halloween Fancy Dress – Friday 23 October



Unfortunately the Halloween Disco, hosted by the BAWB PTFA, has had to be cancelled due to the COVID-19 restrictions. We will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 23rd October and it would be great if you

could send your children to school in Halloween fancy dress. Please may we ask that fancy dress and any face painting is appropriate for school and that children don't bring any additional items into school. The PTFA will be providing our three schools with Halloween goody bags.

Flu Immunisations

Please be reminded that all those who wish for their child/ren to have their Flu immunisation must fill in the form sent out to parents by 4th October 2020.

Wensleydale show winner



Well done to Jo, her Mum writes: *'Jo got 3rd place at this year's Wensleydale Show in the Young Sheep handler's category, with her pet lamb Zoe.'* It's fantastic to see such a community spirit from our children who are joining in all these wonderful local opportunities.

Mr Stokes

Unfortunately Mr Stokes has had an accident this week and broken his arm. This means that he will be out of action for a number of weeks. As you can imagine Mr Stokes is really disappointed that he will be unable to deliver all of the wonderful forest school sessions he had planned for our children. He works tirelessly to prepare resources for forest schools and our outdoor provision. Next week will see the work start on our playground projects at Bainbridge then West Burton, all project managed by Mr Stokes.



We are very pleased to announce that very soon Mrs Kathy Wheeler will be delivering our forest school sessions across the three sites while Mr Stokes recovers.

Kathy has recently completed her forest school training and is very much looking forward to working with our staff and pupils.

We will update you with any changes to the forest school timetable.

BAWB Consents

An electronic form circulated to parents earlier this week to confirm your consents for things such as transport, photography etc. We will no longer collect this information annually but will retain your consents

in our records until such time as your child leaves the Federation. Consents can be withdrawn or added at any time by informing one of the school offices. If you haven't already completed the form, please could you do so by **30 September** by clicking on the link: [CLICK HERE](#)

If you have any difficulty completing the form online please contact any of the school offices, who will be glad to assist.

After School Sports Clubs with Mr Bullock

This term we have had to change the way we deliver after school sports club to ensure we keep our bubbles separate.

We are running these in **4 week blocks** for different classes. If you would like your child to attend, please complete the electronic consent forms sent yesterday.

School	Class	Start date
Askrigg	Merlins	Mon 28 th Sept
West Burton	Skylarks	Tue 29 th Sept
Askrigg	Golden Eagles	Mon 2 nd Nov
West Burton	Swallows	Tues 3 rd Nov

Unfortunately we are currently unable to offer a sports club to Reception and Year 1, we are looking to offer this in the Spring Term.

Birthday Celebrations

Please can we ask that cakes and treats are not sent into school for your child's birthday. We hope you understand the need to limit items coming into school.

Hand sanitiser



Our children continue to wash their hands each time they enter/leave the building/classroom. Our schools are using hand soap and water to do this rather than hand sanitiser. Please can we ask that children do not bring in bottles of

hand sanitiser. Thank you for your understanding.

PHE Test and Trace

Public Health England have produced a letter for schools to distribute to parents which explains when a person requires a coronavirus test and what the symptoms of coronavirus are.



Public Health
England

The intention of the letter is to help prevent children being taken out of school unnecessarily and answer

some of the questions parents may have around testing. Please find attached with newsletter.

This week's awards from the Headteacher:	
Headteacher's Award, Bainbridge	Sylvi
Headteacher's Award, Askrigg	Jo
Headteacher's Award, West Burton	Abigail
Tidiest Classroom Award	Merlins
Best Class Attendance	Skylarks and Swallows 100%

Have a lovely weekend!

E. Harrison

Eleanor Harrison

M Price

Maxine Price

Pupil of the week

Pupil of the week, Robins	<p><i>'Aimee for always coming to school with a smile on her face. She is kind to her friends and helpful in the classroom.'</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mrs Loughlin</p>	Pupil of the week, Merlins	<p><i>'Willow shows great maturity for a year 5 and is quickly becoming a great role model for younger children in school. Keep up the good work Willow.'</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mr Greenway</p>
Attendance (WC 14.09)	96.4%	Attendance (WC 14.09)	97.9%
Pupil of the week, Owls	<p><i>'Sidney for effort in geography, creating a detailed map then explaining in detail to an adult.'</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mrs Harrison</p>	Pupil of the week, Skylarks	<p><i>'Katie for taking responsibility for helping other children in her class, effort in all her subjects and wonderful manners!'</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ms. Collins</p>
Attendance (WC 14.09)	98%	Attendance (WC 14.09)	100%
Pupil of the week, Swallows	<p><i>'Rory has shown a fabulous enjoyment for learning: participating in all our lessons; sharing his knowledge of the Gunpowder Plot in our history lessons and asking insightful questions that improves all our learning.'</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mr Scrafton</p>		
Attendance (WC 14.09)	100%		
Pupil of the week, Golden Eagles	<p><i>'Isaac, for being an enthusiastic member of the class, for contributing to lessons with thoughtful ideas and for overall positivity towards his learning all week!'</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mr Billingham</p>		
Attendance (WC 14.09)	91.3%		

Robins

Mrs Loughlin writes ... 'Jemima has been counting her skips. Rocco has been counting the pieces in his train track. Ada, Emma and William have been making cakes and counting them. Archie has been digging for worms and Myles, Rocco and Aidan have built dog kennels and enjoyed making their own role play. Joey, Martha and Rosie have practised writing the letters they learnt in phonics.'



'Lots of lovely maths in EYFS this morning. Including:

-the children working as a team to order numbers for an indoor hopscotch!

-super singing for '5 Little Speckled Frogs'

-Using glitter to practise writing our numbers

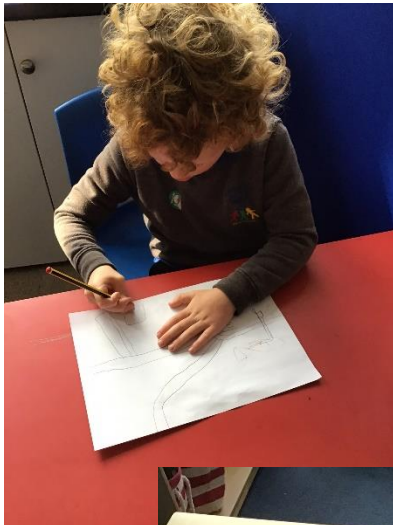
-Some nursery children busy making 'Happy Boxes' to put things inside that make them smile, if they are sad or worried'



Owls

This week has seen our pupil of the week create a detailed map of his local environment with amazing attention to detail.

The Owls have also enjoyed Maths in the Autumn sunshine, looking at more than and less than and more fun during forest schools.



Swallows



Practising times tables with "Hit the Button".



On a materials hunt in science.



Amazing Yoga.



Fun at Forest Schools.



Skylarks



Zoe at Forest Schools



Alfie enjoying some maths



Beatrice enjoying some maths



Maeve and Thomasina working hard in Forest Schools

Golden Eagles



Lots of hard work has been going in the Golden eagles class!!



Merlins

Exploring sound and how it travels in waves. The children looked at how a ukulele uses vibration to make sound. The children then got to make their own pan pipes to experiment with different pitch.



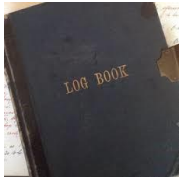
Exploring local settlements and comparing them to urban areas. We discussed how industry can lead to growth of settlements but why growth isn't always a positive.



In RE we looked at the beliefs of Humanists and compared them to our own beliefs and values.



On Friday we were very lucky to have two fantastic circus performers in school. The children watched in awe and asked the acrobatic pair some brilliant questions after their show.



From the Log Books

School log books are held in our schools and they are a marvellous record of social, and educational, history. We will reproduce extracts in this section.

This week's is from **Bainbridge's** log books:

1974 – Mr G.H.Mitchell brought university students, Miss Airey and Mr Knaggs to play violin solos and duets for the school. The school violinists played and sang in the interval

1985 – a dental inspection of the school was held today

EYFS News column

It has been so lovely to be back in school this week once I had got over the initial shock of my alarm waking me up so early! The children have obviously settled in so well. Who would have thought some of them hadn't been here since March? I was greeted by happy, confident and friendly children as always. I must mention and give a big welcome to Pippa who will be joining us in Reception shortly and Jemima, Sophie and Charlie who have started in our Nursery. All four children have quickly made friends and are loving all the activities.

This week started off with warm sunshine and the children made the most of being outside, playing ball games, collecting leaves to rub, draw around and paint pictures of. They even pricked seeds from slices of cucumber and carefully counted how many they had found. The weather became damp on Wednesday but it certainly didn't dampen their spirits. I must mention the phonics the reception children have been learning. I couldn't believe they were sounding out words already. What superstars

Mrs Iveson has asked if anyone has any spare pants for boys and socks for girls as we have very few for when we have those little accidents.

Best wishes from a very impressed Mrs Loughlin

Askrigg News column

This week we have been enjoying lunch, English, Maths, French and break.

Sasha has enjoyed playing with friends, Henry enjoyed P.E and Tommy has enjoyed French. Grayson, and Martha have enjoyed reading and drawing. Amelie has enjoyed French.

Fred enjoyed P.E. William is finding R.E good, Gabriel with science, Eliza loved making finger knitting and Arthur pom poms. Antoni loved French, Jasmine enjoyed finger knitting.

We have been listening to and working on the book by C.S Lewis, The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe. "So far we have met a fawn and have heard about the witch!" says Jasmine.

We have also been mixing colours in Art and we are planning to turn our classroom into an Egyptian museum!

BY AMELIE & JASMINE

West Burton News Column

This week we found out that we are going to change West Burton into a magical school for wizardry and witchcraft.

Next Friday, Skylarks are going to dress up as wizards and witches to help with our learning about Harry Potter. You don't need fancy clothes as Harry Potter and his friends often wear quite ordinary clothes. We're not allowed to bring objects in though, we're going to make them in school instead.

In Forest Schools, we did some whittling with knives, and Year 6 got their own. The Year 5's used sharp knives and Year 3 & 4 used blunt knives that are very sharp still.

On Wednesday, we started doing assessments from last summer. On Thursday, we did grammar and reading and on Wednesday we did the maths one.

Here are some quotes:

Abigail says, "I was not at school on Monday as I was ill, but I still enjoyed the rest of the week although the assessments were a bit nerve-wracking."

Ben says, "I enjoyed forest school when we whittled a stick with a knife."

Maeve says, "I am going to dinner with my cousin on Sunday."

Toby said "I enjoyed going into the woods with my dad."

By Benjamin and Abigail.

BAWB PTFA News



Vacancy for Treasurer – please contact school if you are interested in this position.

21st November – Christmas Fair, Askrigg Village Hall – CANCELLED due to the current Covid-19 situation.

B-A-WB's PTFA welcomes you to its first online meeting!

We are so sorry to have to cancel this year's Halloween party (but see elsewhere in this newsletter for a fab and spooky alternative celebration), and our Christmas fair. With social distancing, even with a bit of festive magic, there is no way that the fair would be viable.

But we still want to do some PTFA fundraising this term, and we need your thoughts! What ideas do you have for fun fundraising activities? What support could you offer to help set them up?

The PTFA is for everyone - parents and carers of children from nursery through to year six, plus B-A-WB teachers, staff and our many supportive friends. Join us on **Monday 12 October at 8pm online**. We'll share details of how to join closer to the time as well as an agenda letting you know what we'll talk about. It's a new way of working for us and the best alternative we have currently to the physical meetings that usually take place in our local pubs or cafes. Joining doesn't commit you to anything, so please come along and find out what it's all about!

Any questions, please talk to Steve Bowen, Karen Raven, Deb Wood or Beth Daley.

Community News

The Open Pantry

Available at St Oswald's and St Margaret's Churches. Food and toiletries available for those in need.

The Story of Schools in the Upper Dales – Needs YOU!

Dales Countryside Museum and The Nash in Hawes are making a giant community photo mosaic celebrating youth and schools in the Upper Dales!

Do you live in the Upper Dales? Did you go to school here? We'd love to see your pictures about what youth in the Dales means to you.

Photos can be vintage or modern, and feature landscape and buildings as well as people. We need thousands of images, so the more the merrier, with a good chance that they'll all be used!

You can upload your pictures at:

www.thepeoplespicture/storyofschools

Please see attached poster for more info!

Forest Schools

**Sessions will resume from Friday 2nd October*

Class	Day
Robins (YR)	Wednesday
Owls (Y1)	Tuesday
Swallows (Y2)	Monday
Skylarks (Y3,4,5,6 WB)	Monday
Golden Eagles (Y3/4 A)	Friday
Merlins (Y5/6 A)	Friday

PE Days

Class	Day
Robins (YR)	Tuesday and Wednesday
Owls (Y1)	Tuesday and Wednesday
Swallows (Y2)	Thursday and Friday
Skylarks (Y3,4,5,6 WB)	Thursday and Friday
Golden Eagles (Y3/4 A)	Monday and Friday
Merlins (Y5/6 A)	Monday and Friday

Children will attend school each day in a clean uniform and bring as little as possible with them. On PE days they will attend in PE kit (with long trousers if required) and wearing suitable footwear. On Forest schools days if the weather is looking unfavourable, pupils are welcome to take waterproofs and wellies for their Forest Schools session. Please can this be in one bag with their name on it.