



Dear Parents, families, and community,
 Can you believe that another week has passed? I remain delighted and impressed by the level of engagement from our families working from home, and from the children in school. It is really heartening to see what you are all capable of and I continue to send my very best wishes of support to you all; I know that lockdown is really hard for some families. We are here for you!

Moment in the spotlight



An episode of 'The Dales and Lakes' programme on Monday night featured some of our very own pupils, Eva and Isaac and their dad! It was shown on More4 and is still available to watch on catch up TV if

you missed it! Mum writes ... *'They were really excited to be on the TV and loved the whole experience. They were filmed on the Moor with their Dad while he was carrying out some conservation work, ringing red listed birds for monitoring purposes. They looked at Curlews, Lapwings and Merlins in the programme and Eva even took part in a mini interview.'*

NYCC Energy and sustainability services



Power down Pete is online!

<http://nyorks-eco.education/>

From his Secret Base, Power down Pete is still delivering a range of eco activities for the Eco warriors in your school. You can book online live interactive meetings and assembly for children of key workers you may have in school. You can also integrate the lessons at <http://nyorks-eco.education/> the site of Power Down Pete's secret base. We have linked to a range of sites and schemes of learning from the BBC and Oak Academy. We also have bespoke lessons for KS 1 and 2, story time, recorded assembly videos and a whole range of Kahoot online quizzes so you and the parents are well supported to still engage with environmental activities at this difficult time.

Sumdog North Yorkshire maths competition



Miss Collins writes ... 'We are very excited to be taking part in the Sumdog North Yorkshire maths

competition. It starts tomorrow and lasts for a week and is for all children from Year 2 to Year 6. As Sumdog is set at each child's individual level, the different year groups can compete on a level playing field. All your child has to do is to log onto Sumdog each day and answer as many questions as possible. The more correct answers, the more points we get (incorrect answers are simply discounted). As well as trying to do well against other North Yorkshire schools, we have also decided to add a little extra spice by having a competition between the classes in the Federation. The Swallows, Skylarks, Golden Eagles and Merlins are going to compete against each other to see which class can get the highest placing on the leaderboards. Let the battle commence!'

Yorkshire Dales national parks Dark Skies events



Mrs Dalton writes to us with exciting news of lots of interesting events happening for the Dark Skies Festival between

12th and 28th February. I have included an attachment with full details.



Hadrian's Wall March



Our brave legionaries in KS2 have received orders to march from here at Virosidium (Bainbridge garrison) to Vindolanda in order to reinforce the Hadrian's Wall garrison.

Families are encouraged to get outside with their KS2 legionary and log how far they have walked, run or cycled. Mr Stokes will add these totals to an ancient Roman road map for all to see. Can our federation's legionaries reinforce the wall before the half term? The fate of the Roman Empire is in your hands!

Ultimate Warrior

The first of our children have logged their Ultimate Warrior times with Koboca, and our federation currently holds third place in the 3/4 category. Keep up the good work, and let us see if we can get our other year groups onto the leader board.

This week's awards from the Headteacher:	
Headteacher's Award, taught at Bainbridge	Sam H, for effort and enjoyment, joining the year 1 children to learn about garden birds and creating a wonderful picture of a house sparrow.
Headteacher's Award, taught at Askrigg	Amelie A, for her wonderful enthusiasm in English this week.
Headteacher's Award, taught at West Burton	Caleb, for going above and beyond in English, writing his own version of the gingerbread man (the formula 1 rolling cake), creating a book of his story with illustrations on every page and then recording himself reading his story.







Have a great weekend!



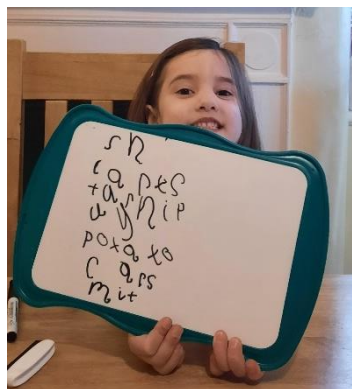
Charlotte Harper



Eleanor Harrison

	Pupil of the week	Attendance
<p>Robins</p> 	<p>Joey is pupil of the week for writing a whole story that is so good he has it for his bedtime story. – Mrs Johnston</p>	NA
<p>Owls</p> 	<p>My pupil of the week is Joseph for effort and enjoyment in his learning. He has done some fantastic writing and maths work on fractions. – Mrs Harrison</p>	NA
<p>Golden Eagles</p> 	<p>Pupil of the week for the Golden Eagles this week is Grayson, for his effort in home-learning, despite finding it tricky at times. - Miss Collins and Mrs Richards.</p>	NA
<p>Merlins</p> 	<p>The Pupil of the Week for the Merlins is Willow for her enthusiasm for learning in these strange times. – Miss Collins and Mr Greenway</p>	NA
<p>Swallows</p> 	<p>Lydia is our pupil of the week. For amazing effort and enjoyment in this week's home learning. – Mr Scrafton</p>	NA
<p>Skylarks</p> 	<p>The pupil of the week for the Skylarks is Katie, for trying really hard in her online learning, even when she is finding things difficult. – Miss Collins</p>	NA

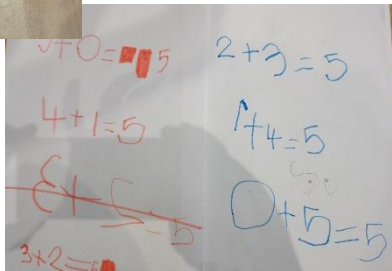
Robins



Rosie has written a recipe for stew today and is currently cooking it in her kitchen!



Mum has sent us a picture of the maths work Sammy has been doing with his Lego men.



Definitely loved all the snow pictures from the past week!

The Robins have done some weaving in class!



The Robins have had a very busy week in their kitchens and having a go at writing out their recipes'.



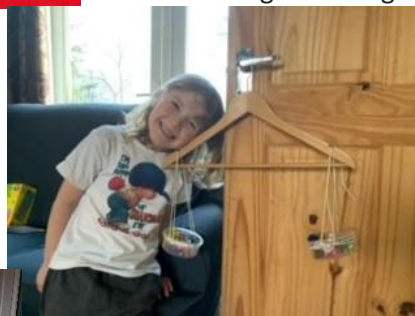
Albert having a go at counting all his sheep ... how many can you see?

Snow doesn't always have to stay white as proven here!

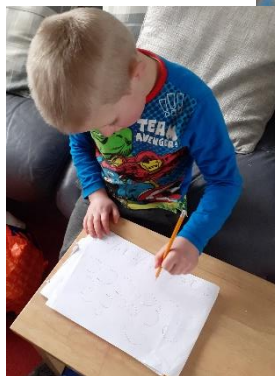


Joey has cut out his story pictures and put them in order and begun writing.

'It took 15 dinosaurs to be the same weight as the 6 paw patrol figures'



'Martha seeing which fruits are the heaviest by weighing in her hands and then on the scale'



An older version of scales but all have the same outcome!

Aidan writing his phonics

Owls

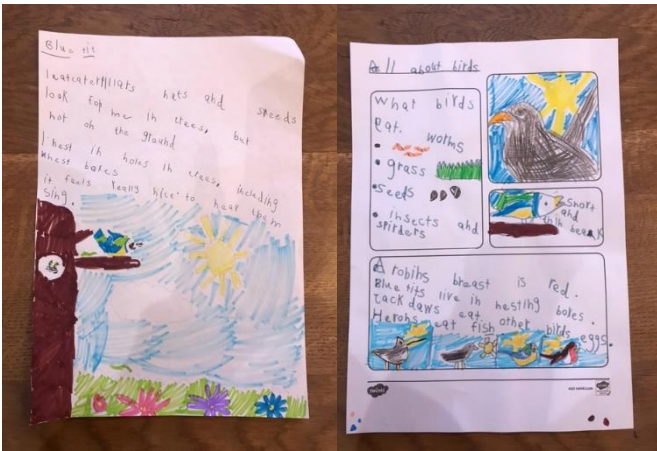
The Robins and Owls have been busy building this igloo! Thank you Mr. Stokes for giving it to us!



The robins and owls have got their parachute out and had some colourful fun 😊



This week the children have enjoyed learning about different types of birds as part of our information writing. Matilda has produced a lovely fact file.



A wonderful leaflet from Douglas as part of our geography work on landmarks.

Sweets and cars have helped with the fraction work this week!



Golden Eagles



Dylan making sure his mixture is perfect

Eliza doing some roller-skating in PE



Sasha, showing her skills in the kitchen



Fred, making the most of the snow



Grayson - a chef in the making!



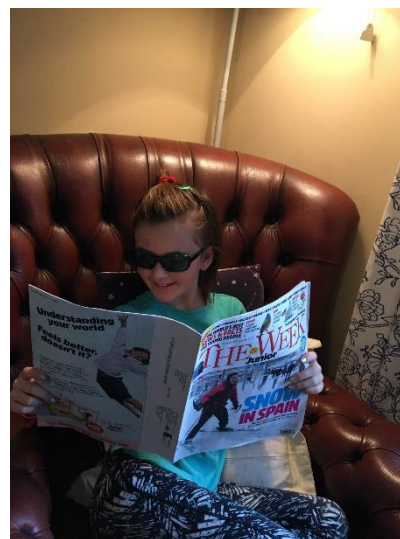
William, sewing a special cushion (Photo shows the finished cushion)



Hollie F, proving she is very safe with a knife



Layla, about to enjoy a delicious pasta dish she made



Jo – Reader of the week

Merlins



Alice, looking very pleased with how her baking turned out

Amelia, enjoying some quality time with her dog



Caelan, another whizz in the kitchen



Eva designed and sewed her own doll in DT



Magda, enjoying some PE with her brother

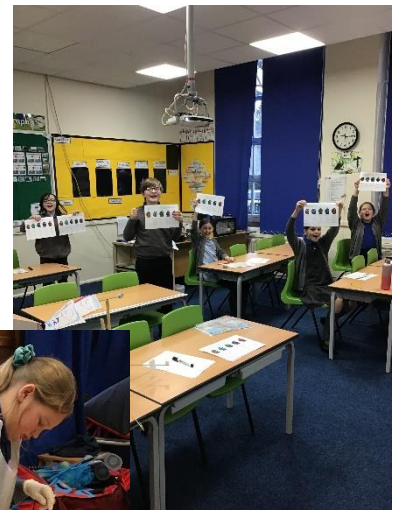


Micheala, cooking up a storm!

Investigating static electricity in science. Lots of crazy hair after this lesson.

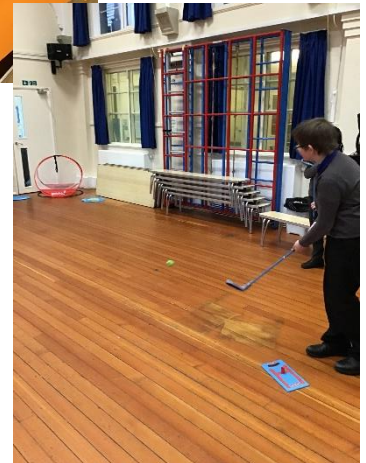


The Merlins new obsession is 'Among Us' so this week as part of our maths we did an Among Us problem solving activity.



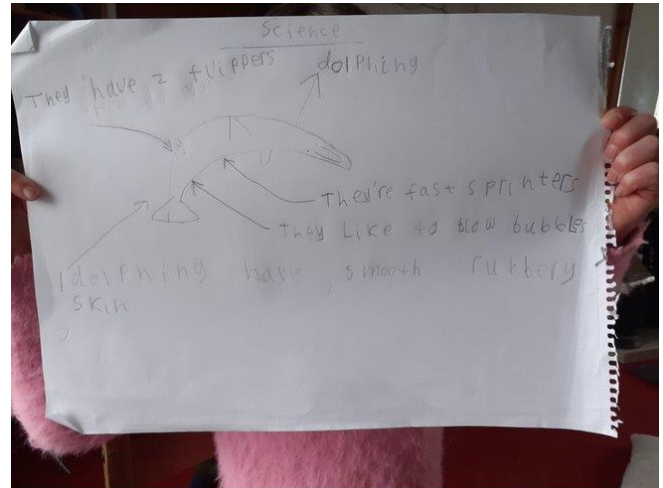
Experimenting with marbling in DT.

Indoor PE allowed us to have the first ever Askrigg Open. Lots of improvement in show.

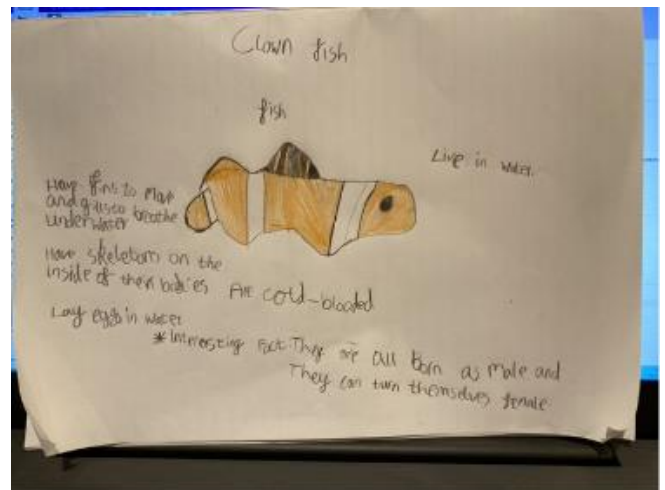


Swallows

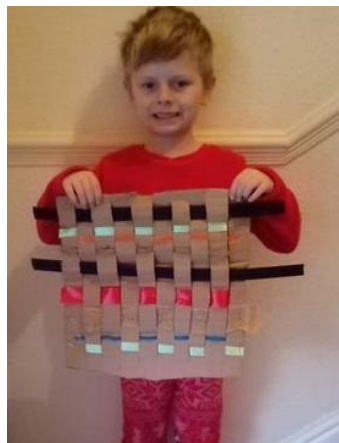
Get up and get dancing!



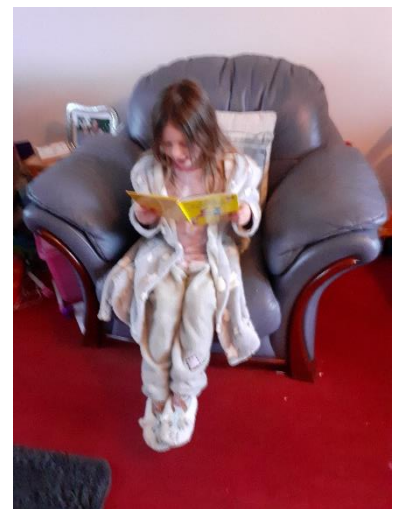
Lily-Anne above and Lily below showing off their information posters on sea creatures.



Some hard work going into the swallows weaving pictures



Lily-Anne has been keeping up with her reading!



Skylarks



Beatrice & Benjamin, putting lots of effort into a Joe Wicks workout



Katie, also enjoying her Joe Wicks workout



Zoe, enjoying a pancake she has made.



Photographs of skylarks' experiments with static electricity.



Toby with his amazing snowman

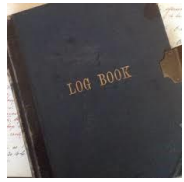


Thomasina with her snowman



Beatrice with her snowman





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:

18th Jan 1877 – The children have a holiday tomorrow. The parents and children are invited to tea given by the Rev Whaley. In the evening there will be a Christmas tree. Prizes will be given to those who excelled at examination.

19th Jan 1883 – Reopened school this week after three weeks holiday. The attendance has been very poor all week, the average is 42.5. The Rev Whaley visited the school on Tuesday afternoon.

EYFS News

Well Blue Monday came and went. Of course we didn't realise it was Blue Monday as we continued with our enjoyable learning. At school we were thankful that we had our wonderful outdoor shelter to help keep the worst of the weather off us. Despite the rain we have still spent a lot of time (as always) outside this week but we were not quite as sodden as we might have been because of our shelter. Nevertheless, at one point it was too heavy even for us so we got the parachute out in the hall. The children loved it. The teachers were exhausted but I think that's a good thing – it allows us to empathise with all you home learners. Your wonderful photos continue to come in showing how creative you all are. Keep up the good work whilst bearing in mind the need for relaxation and peace. Is this the 3rd week we have done now? We still haven't been able to have our celebration party but we will. We just don't know when. Something to look forward to,

Much love Robins and Owls xx

Onsite-Learning News

Another wild weathered week in school has limited most of our work to being inside this week. Nevertheless, all the children have embraced their work with enthusiasm and enjoyment. We have been following the Microsoft Teams work and have enjoyed doing lots of the activities.

Willow said "I have really enjoyed our maths work. Mr Greenway created a really fun maths riddle based on among us."

Olivia said "I really enjoyed music. As a class we chose the playlist activity. We had to think of and listen to songs that make us feel happy!"

Connor said "I enjoyed making and using our weather vanes to record the wind direction. The music I found hard to keep in time with the clapping in a round."

May said "I am really looking forward to making the jelly tower from PSHE this afternoon."

We are all missing our classmates but we enjoy catching up with our weekly video call to the children doing remote learning.

Merlins x

Home-Learning News

Last week it was snow, this week it is rain but take heart: the days are getting longer, the snowdrops are growing and the birds are singing.

Another very busy week of online learning. One of the most popular assignments was geography where you had to draw a map of your house, hide some treasure and ask someone to find it. Apparently, it kept children entertained for hours!

In maths, lots of measuring has taken place, including measuring brothers and sisters and then comparing them to other objects. Beatrice said, "I enjoyed measuring in maths."

Another popular lesson was science; everyone loves an experiment, especially when it involves bubbles, balloons and bangs!

English assignments have been a joy to read; your own version of a fairy tale including a moral. A favourite moral so far is: *when you have good friends, life is beautiful* which was Antoni's moral. How very true!

"I loved planning my fairy tale story," said Alyssa. "My moral is 'Don't be vain'."

"Do not always believe what you hear is my moral in my story for English," said Benjamin.

BAWB PTFA News









Thank you everyone who joined in the PTFA meeting this week. The next one is scheduled for **Thursday 11 March** at 8pm.

Easter Egg Competition

The PTFA would like to run the annual Easter Egg competition, where children and parents decorate a hard boiled egg. Depending on the situation with lockdown and school re-opening, it may have to be a virtual competition this year. More information to follow in the coming weeks.

Forest Schools and PE

Class	Forest Schools	PE
Robins 	NA	Wednesday
Owls 	NA	Wednesday
Golden Eagles 	NA	Friday
Merlins 	NA	Friday
Swallows 	NA	Thursday & Friday
Skylarks 	NA	Thursday & Friday

Children should attend school each day in a clean uniform and bring as little as possible with them. On PE days they should 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.