



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

Mid-Dale Excellence in Education

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Dear Parents, families, and community,  
We can't wait for Monday! Everyone has been working so hard to get everything ready and safe for the children's return and we very much look forward to dipping our toes into the waters of normality.

### PE from 8<sup>th</sup> March

Apologies if there has been any confusion about what to wear to school next week on account of extra PE. We encourage the children to be back in uniform where possible, but:



- If you have timetabled PE (see letter of 03.03.21, also on the school website), please come to school in PE kit.
- If you have timetabled Forest Schools, please come dressed appropriately.
- As we will be doing some form of physical activity every day next week, on days where there is not a scheduled PE session, ***please wear uniform as far as possible*** with comfortable and suitable trousers and footwear (e.g. leggings/tracksuit bottoms and trainers) for walks etc.

### Teacher Vacancy

Calling all teachers...



Are you passionate about high-quality education?  
Would you love to work in a thriving federation that offers all the benefits of a larger staff team within a small, rural, and well-appointed setting?

...then this job may be for you!

Please check out our website for details about our teacher vacancy and how to apply. Please don't hesitate to give me a ring if you would just like a little bit more information.

### Parent Survey

Thank you so much again for all your support during lockdown, especially in helping your children with home-learning. We are eager to gather your views about our remote learning package, and about the measures we have put in place to keep our children, families, and staff safe as we return to school.



Please [click here](#), or on the icon, to complete a short survey. It will only take a couple of minutes and will be really helpful to us.

### After school clubs

A decision has been made to resume after school clubs after the Easter holidays. We will be working in the background on what we will be able to offer and how to alter those clubs to take in to consideration any current guidelines in place.



### Stage1 Cycles Big Bike Revival

A thank you to Stage1 cycles who have been to our BAWB Federation schools. They have been working hard on the children's bikes this week and last to make sure they are safe and ready to go for spring!



### Welcome back lunch



Monday sees the return of many things but for our cooks it sees the return of a busy lunch time again! The cooks have decided to whip up the children's favourites. Mrs

Alderson will be cooking Sausage and chips for Askrigg and Bainbridge with a lovely homemade cake for afters and Mrs Chapman is sticking with a West Burton firm favourite Curry but with sticky toffee pudding for afters (I have sampled and can confirm its amazing). Any children who are packed lunch for that day but wish to take a school lunch please can the parents contact the school office before 9am Monday and lunches will be charged at £2.80 via parent pay.

### School Lunch Options

We know it's been a while since you've thought about school lunches so please find a link below to our school lunch page to remind you of this term's menu and jacket potato options form if you need it.

<https://b-a-wb.com/home/parents-carers/school-meals/>

### Bainbridge Christmas Lights – Easter fun for Children and Adults

We are holding an Easter trail for primary school children and a quiz for teenagers and adults. Everyone welcome.

On the 27<sup>th</sup> March we will be on the green in the village from 10.30am – 11.30am selling the Easter trail sheets and Quiz sheets. Each sheet will be £1.00. We will also be holding a raffle with the chance to win a baking box from The Millrace Teashop and some small hampers of goodies.

How to complete the trail and when to hand in your trail and quiz sheets will be explained to you when you buy your sheets on the 27<sup>th</sup> March.

This year we would like to light up the HUGE tree near the Manor House and all money raised will go towards buying lights for this project.

Raffle donations would be most welcome and can be given on the 27<sup>th</sup> or left with Alice Thwaite, Louise Alder or Les Bartle.



Any questions please email, [Bainbridgechristmaslights@gmail.com](mailto:Bainbridgechristmaslights@gmail.com)

### **Spare Uniform**



Ms Tooley has kindly written to us - "Could anyone use a 5-6 year old uniform? We've got 2 T-shirts, 4 pairs of grey shorts and 1 jumper if anyone would like them"? Please let the school know and we can help get the items to you safely.

### **Calling all parents!**

Robins are in need of some spare wellies to use on their many adventures around Bainbridge. If anyone has any wellies for ages 3-5 years that they no longer need and are willing to donate they would be greatly appreciated. Please send them in to school and we'll get them over to the Robins.



### **Vindolanda Challenge**

Mr Stokes writes ... *'Legionaries of BAWB, although home-schooling is coming to an end, the Vindolanda Challenge will continue until the end of this term. Keep logging those miles, and bring them in on Mondays so I can add them to your totals. Every mile counts!'*

### **Bird Seed**

We were delighted this week when Declan's mum and Carr's Billington donated some bird seed and peanuts for us to attract more wild birds into our school grounds here at Askrigg. Thank you so much.



### **This week's awards from the Headteacher:**

Headteacher's Award, taught at Bainbridge	Sidney, for being kind, helpful and polite at all times.
Headteacher's Award, taught at Askrigg	Willow, for always working hard and striving to improve her work. An excellent role model.
Headteacher's Award, taught West Burton	Harry, for embodying the RESPECT code in everything he does, especially: enjoyment, effort, politeness.

Have a great weekend!

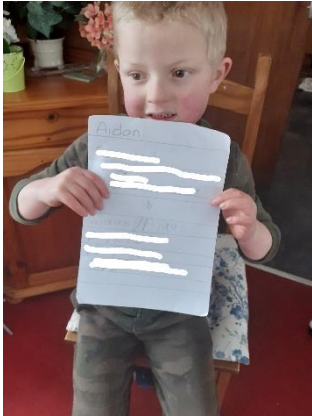
Charlotte Harper

Eleanor Harrison

	Pupil of the week	Attendance
<b>Robins</b> 	<b>Archie</b> is POW for Hard work in many different styles and still managing to fit in the housework so everything is tidy during zoom ballet lessons. – Mrs Johnston	NA
<b>Owls</b> 	My pupil of the week is <b>Rene</b> for her incredible scientific knowledge, using fantastic vocabulary to talk about a range of animals. – Mrs Harrison	NA
<b>Golden Eagles</b> 	The Golden Eagles pupil of the week is <b>Jasmine</b> for always working to the very best of her ability. – Mrs Richards and Miss Collins	NA
<b>Merlins</b> 	The pupil of the week in Merlins is <b>Micheala</b> for working hard on her English assignments and writing at length. – Mr Greenway and Miss Collins	NA
<b>Swallows</b> 	<b>Otis</b> for consistently working hard throughout the lockdown and sharing his enjoyment of learning (and great jokes). – Mr Scafton	NA
<b>Skylarks</b> 	The Skylarks pupil of the week is <b>Beatrice QB</b> for getting involved in every aspect of home learning with enthusiasm. – Miss Collins	NA



## Robins



Aidan has had a go at writing his own name and address and done fantastic!



Archie has completed his three R's this week: Reading, Writing and arithmetic! I think mum and dad might need the fourth R – Rest!



### World Book day heroes

Archie is a postie because "they deliver cards and make people happy"



Gerald the giraffe made an appearance for world book day.



Quiet reading time

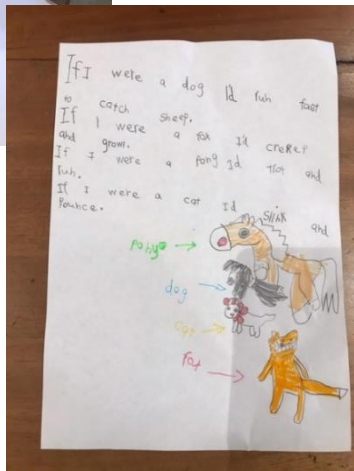
### Alfresco reading!



Homemade bookmarks.

Owls

This week we have continued to look at our class poem 'If I were a Hawk', Matilda found inspiration from her own toy animals.



Some more wonderful artwork showing signs of Spring

Art and DT work has seen the children drawing their own soft toy, carefully looking at the features in preparation for designing their own, here is Aaron's.



Douglas did a fantastic piece of work on information technology in computing, recording those he found in his house.



A magical Unicorn for  
World Book Day!

It was lovely to see everyone's costumes, well done Owls.....can you guess the teacher?



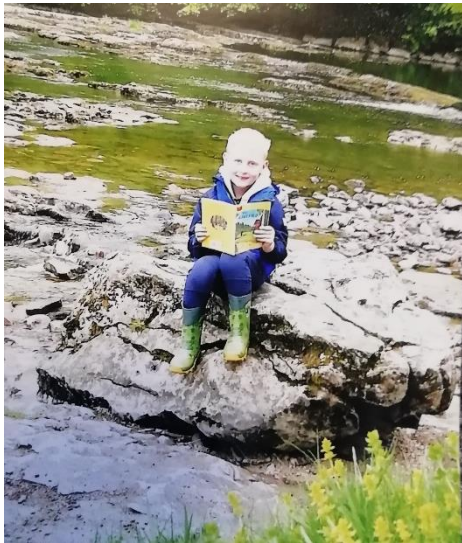
Days of the week have been a focus this week too, well done Owls for working so hard on learning them.





## Golden Eagles

Gabriel reading in an unusual place for Reading Bingo



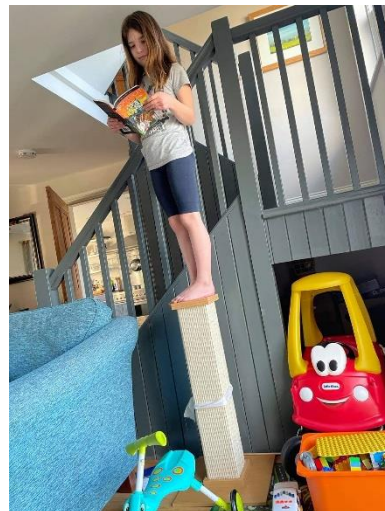
Isaac getting stuck into some map reading for geography



Henry reading to his guinea pig



Jasmine reading in a very precarious unusual place!



Georgie reading in the bath for Reading Bingo



Jo enjoying a family walk





## Merlins

Eva taking time to relax and read a book



Where will Olivia's map take her next?



William's dog discovering that books can be every bit as interesting as rabbits.



Clari finding a geocache in her geography work



Alice with her homemade windsock, testing the weather in science. Looks pretty windy!





## Swallows



Lily-Anne and her brother went for a walk and brought along some new friends!

Designing and making feathers in DT.



Reading Bingo



Giant version of snakes and ladders – Looks so much fun!





## Skylarks

Abigail and her calf enjoying reading bingo!



Beatrice enjoying some quiet reading time



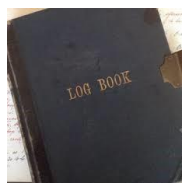
Benjamin has been baking some very special hot cross buns



Harry following a route on a map for geography

Zoe with her superhero outfit for World Book day





## 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 **West Burton's** log books:

**05/03/1908** – The attendance this week has been poor owing to the heavy snowfall.

**04/03/1987** – P.C. Outhwaite showed videos and spoke to the children about safety and never going with strangers.

### Robins and Owls News

Congratulations on finishing your trial by home schooling. You have all passed with flying colours and we are looking forward to seeing you next week. We have all our wonderful areas of learning up and ready and we know your children will just get stuck in and enjoy themselves.

We are also very excited about our new starters.....we can't wait to meet you at the start of your school life. Here's to a wonderful, exciting and fulfilling adventure; cram packed with friendships, numbers, letters, ideas, information and movement (to name just a few).

Have a delightful weekend. See you next week xxx

### On-site Learners news

This week we have been very excited to welcome the first day of spring, confirmed by many sightings of new life and spring flowers on our daily walks.

In maths we have been working hard to learn the days of the week and the months of the year.

We have been finding nouns and verbs in our class poem 'If I were a Hawk', exploring the different ways the animals move and alternative words we could use.

We are still enjoying checking on the live web cams at Edinburgh Zoo linked to our science unit on animals, the highlight being feeding time in the penguin enclosure! Still no sightings of the lion and the panda does sleep for most of the day but there have been some good discussions around types of animals and their features!

Now we have reached the end of our final week in school before we come together as a whole class, we are very much looking forward to seeing everyone again (including Mrs Donno-Fuller and Mrs Robinson), exploring and learning together, we can't wait to see everyone on Monday.



## Off-site learners News

It really feels like Springtime now! Not only do we have all the spring flowers we now have the pleasure of seeing lambs in the fields skipping and frolicking in the spring sunshine.

Here we are in the last week of online learning and the quality of work remains consistently fantastic! We are still with the Romans in history and some amazing fact-proclaiming posters have been produced. The Roman diet leaves a lot to be desired with peacock, fattened snails, dormice and even flamingoes' tongues, often consumed while lying down!

The children have been producing map shapes in geography and some interesting shapes have been achieved, some easily recognisable others not so much!

In English it is our second week of poetry, this week it has been haiku ones, which involve a specific number of syllables. Everyone's imagination has been fired up, the poems have featured all manner of things including animals, flowers and special places people like to be.

Beatrice said, "I enjoyed writing my haiku."

We have had some great weather recording devices constructed in science from windsocks to rain gauges and using this equipment lots of interesting weather recording has taken place.

Next week it is all back to school HURRAH! What fun to be back with our friends in the classroom and all learning together: the noise, the buzz, the laughter. We can't wait.

Kirsty said, "I'm feeling happy to be going back to school and happy to see everyone again."

Jo said, "I am really excited about seeing my friends and doing forest schools."

Eliza said, "I'm really excited and I think I'm going to be very happy to see my friends."

Clari said, "I can't wait to go back to school to see all my friends again, it will be nice to have a routine again as well!"

Benjamin said, "I have enjoyed hot cross buns, muddy wellies & World Book Day."







Arthur said, "I liked working from home but I'm looking forward to playing with my friends."

## BAWB PTFA News



**Reminder:** PTFA meeting, 8pm on Thursday 11 March. All are welcome. The link for the meeting will be emailed to parents at the beginning of next week. If you are unable to attend the meeting but have any ideas regarding fundraising that you would like to share, or any other issues, please contact any of the school offices and we will ensure this is passed to the Secretary and added to the meeting agenda.

## Forest Schools and PE (w/c 8/3/21)

Class		Forest Schools	PE
Robins		Mon, Tue, Thu & Fri	Wednesday
Owls		Wednesday	Wednesday
Golden Eagles		Tuesday	Monday
Merlins		Tuesday	Monday
Swallows		Resumes after Easter	Thursday
Skylarks		Resumes after Easter	Thursday

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.