



Dear Parents, families, and community,
We hope you have all had a restful Easter break. Blue skies and sunshine have reflected the mood in our schools this week. The staff and pupils are excited for the new term, it's hard to believe we are in the final term of the academic year!

Reading

One of the curriculum sessions during our training day on Monday was a very inspiring session led by Miss Collins about the launch of 'The Power of Reading' Here she tells us some more about this exciting approach to reading

One of the key areas in which we are helping children to catch up following the disruptions of this year is in reading. The 'Power of Reading', developed by the Centre for Literacy in Primary Education, is proven to improve reading outcomes for children by inspiring a love of books and developing children's ability to respond confidently to what they read. On Monday, we delivered training to all our teachers and teaching assistants, as well as providing new, exciting books for children to read. The project will be rolled out from next week and I'm hoping your children will be very excited about this new, engaging approach to reading at KS2.

Parent Teacher consultations

The staff are looking forward to discussing your child/ren's learning with you next week.

In preparation for these meetings, your child will be bringing home a mid-term report if they are in EYFS (Robins) or their standardised test data.

The admin office has now finished sending out appointment times and Teams meeting invites for those who chose a video call. If you have not received an appointment, please contact BAWBadmin@ email to let them know.

After School Clubs

We are delighted that the following after school clubs will be resuming on Monday 26 April:

- Cycle Club – Askrigg (Golden Eagles and Merlins)
- After School Sports – West Burton (Swallows and Skylarks)

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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As these clubs can only be offered to the pupils who are taught on site, we are exploring the possibility of additional clubs on other school sites and will advise as soon as we have anything further to report.

An online consent form will be sent to you to complete if you wish your child/ren to attend one of the clubs. We **must** have consent before the children can take part.

Great North Air Ambulance Collection – Mon 19 April

A reminder that the GNAAS will be collecting from all three schools on the morning of **Monday 19 April**. Please bring your bags to school that morning and leave outside. They need your old clothing and can also take toner/ink cartridges or unwanted mobile phones in any condition (in a separate bag).



Dormouse Project - YDNPA

During the first lockdown, many of the pupils carried out some lovely research into the national park's project to reintroduce dormice to the area. Declan's poster about this has been published in the YDNPA's project report and featured in Richmondshire Today. Well done Declan!







This week's awards from the Headteacher:

Headteacher's Award, taught @ Bainbridge	Theo for being a wonderful role model for the new nursery children, always being kind and helpful.
Headteacher's Award, taught @ Askrigg	Hollie F for effort and responsibility in all that she does, ensuring she is ready to learn but also helping others.
Headteacher's Award, taught @ West Burton	Benjamin for always working hard, being kind to others and taking responsibility for his own learning.
Tidiest Classroom Award	Robins
Best Class Attendance	Merlins

Have a great weekend,

Charlotte Harper

Eleanor Harrison

	Pupil of the week	Attendance w/c 22/03
Robins 	Pupil of the week is Maizie D for a remarkable start to nursery that is completely new to her. – Mrs Johnston	96.67%
Owls 	Pupil of the week for Owls is Ellie this week for her wonderful reading. Ellie has put in a huge amount of effort, resulting in fantastic progress.	92%
Golden Eagles 	Golden Eagle's pupil of the week is Georgie for returning to school ready to learn. She is very organised, comes straight in and gets on with her work and stays focused. – Mrs Richards	95%
Merlins 	Pupil of the week this week for Merlins goes to William for always having a positive attitude towards school and being a really good friend. – Mr Greenway	98.95%
Swallows 	Callum is my pupil of the week for being a great help in the classroom - always looking for ways to help keep the classroom tidy. – Mr Scafton	98.89%
Skylarks 	My pupil of the week is Katie for putting lots of effort into her reading and taking part in some great discussions about books. – Miss Collins	98.89%

Robins

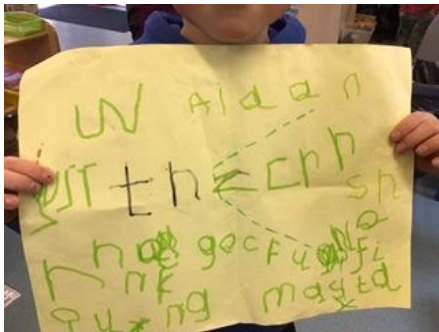


We are making 100.
So far we are at 35



Maizie has settled
beautifully into nursery.

How many frogs?
How many
tadpoles? How
many beads?



Aidan has
challenged
himself he has
thought about
which letters he
needs to
improve and
worked on them
independently.



Helping each
other.



Counting in 10's. We
think there is 52 but
we're checking.



A house for 5 people
We have 4 so we
know there is space
for 1 more. There is
some debate as to
whether the fifth
person allowed in is a
teacher. Fortunately,
there is a space for
swords.



Congratulations on the
birth of baby Freddie.
Here is a beautiful photo
of Joey with his new
brother. How wonderful.

Owls

A lovely start to the new term with the Owls.

Enjoying athletics in PE.



Making amounts using different coins in maths.



Golden Eagles

Golden Eagles have been back to their Yoga lessons.



a very busy morning learning about living things and life processes in science.

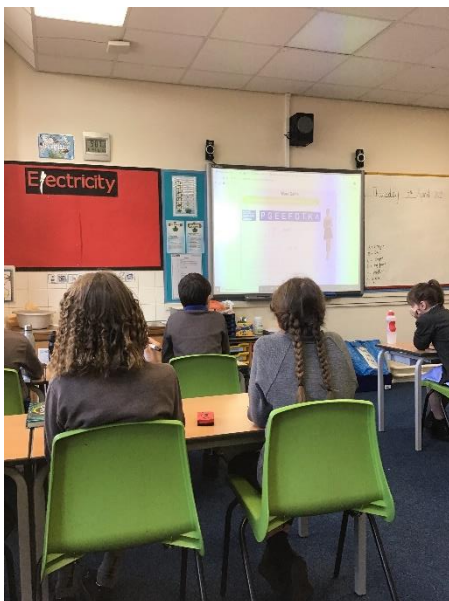


Merlins

Investigating Anglo-Saxon artefacts in history.



Morning activities.



Sampling some India cuisine. Some interesting faces in these photos!



Swallows

***In science the Swallows
classified items as alive,
dead and never alive.***



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Skylarks

These are photos of the Skylarks enjoying an Indian banquet to launch our geography work this term, which is all about India. We tried many delicious Indian foods, including a chickpea sweet treat, a curry and a range of savoury nibbles created by Mrs Chapman that we all loved! A lot of the food was quite spicy and there was much re-filling of water bottles during the event!





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:

April 18th 1994 – After school, parents' consultations until about 8pm. Usual full turnout.

April 9th 1973 – Fire Drill, all out and school evacuated correctly in 1 ½ minutes

EYFS News

Hooray! It has been a wonderful start to the new term. Whatever was clogging our ears and blurring our memories of routines and expectations in the Early Years has melted away in the Easter holiday – just as we thought it would.

We hope you had an enjoyable break with the sunshine (and yes, snow!)

This week, and those following, are very much focused on the natural world. We are enjoying our very energetic tadpoles and our slightly sleepy caterpillars. We are beginning to use vocabulary such as life – cycle, amphibian and metamorphosis. On our walks we have got up close to the lambs and seen them head butting their mother's teats and wriggling their tails when they feed. We also found the perfect hill to roll down i.e. safe landing and no poo!

Phonics has picked up pace and we have been learning about teen numbers in maths. We are exploring colour mixing through our water play and painting. We know that yellow and blue make green and that green and red make brown.

Many thanks for all the contributions about what makes your child special. It was so lovely to share these ideas in class with pictures. Our children really are special and it was lovely to dedicate structured learning time (Reception RE) to a topic that we aim to instil in everyday language and beliefs.

Forest schools has been brilliant and Mrs Wheeler (helped by Fred and Sylvi) has decorated all the tidy vegetable plots with colourful bunting. Thank you.

Lastly, it is with great happiness, that Mrs. Baldwin is back in school. She is so excited to see the children and we are thrilled to have her back.

Have a super weekend,

Lots of Love, Robins xxx

Askrigg News

The Merlins have hit the ground running after our Easter break. We have completed lots of tests to help us to improve our Maths and English. We have also been looking at our new geography topic, Incredible India. To start our topic on India we had an India feast and discussed lots of the cultural differences between the two countries. We have also started a new history topic on Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. We investigated some replica Anglo Saxon artefacts for our first lesson to see what information we could get from them. We looked at a sword, shield and helmet. We also had our first forest schools session this week. We learnt how to make some jewellery and started a fire. We also learnt about growing up and going through puberty this week. We have also been giving advice to our friends for any worries they having during our weekly PSHE sessions.

Harvey said 'I have really enjoyed playing with my friends at break time this week'

Amelia 'I enjoyed filling rabbit holes on the school field with Fin at break time.'

Will 'I enjoyed learning about pewter in Forest schools and learning how the Anglo-Saxons used it.

Alyssa 'I loved the Indian feast and really liked the tandoori chicken!'

West Burton News

We have been working on grammar, we revised verbs, nouns, adverbs and adjectives and played some games to help us remember.

For PE, we did baseball: we had two team captains who picked people and then we had Year 6 and Year 5 in one team and Year 4 and Year 3 in another team.

Maeve Y5: "I enjoyed doing PE because I like doing baseball."

In Forest Schools we have been getting pieces of wood to carve runes and make jewelry.

Toby: Y3 "I enjoyed forest schools because I liked whittling."

Ben said, "I liked working with my teammates and cutting the wood in Forest Schools."

In English, we started reading 'I Was A Rat or The Scarlet Slippers' by Phillip Pullman.

Kirsty: Y4 "I liked doing Forest Schools and English."

By Jessica, Thomasina & Hermione

BAWB PTFA News









Date of Next meeting: Monday 26 April at 8pm – online.

Christmas Fair – Hold the Date – Saturday 27 November – Askrigg Village Hall

Community News

Leyburn Arts and Community Centre – To celebrate British Science week the community centre is launching their own science project called bat to the future! From now until 31st October, anyone or any family with a young person under the age of 26 can hire out our bat detector kits to help you explore and discover bats living near you for FREE! We have two kits available so contact admin@leyburnartcentre.com or call 01969 624510. Launching in May we will have our bat box kits free to all young people aged 11 to 19 years old. See Leyburn Arts and Community Centre Facebook page for more details.

Forest Schools and PE

Class	Forest Schools	PE	Yoga (not full PE kit required just suitable trousers)
Robins 	Mon, Tue, Thu & Fri	Wednesday	NA
Owls 	Wednesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Golden Eagles 	Tuesday	Monday	Wednesday
Merlins 	Tuesday	Monday	Wednesday
Swallows 	Thursday	Thursday	Wednesday
Skylarks 	Thursday	Thursday	Wednesday

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.

Dates For Your Diary			
Regular Clubs – All clubs are open to all children and are shown under the school where they take place			
	Bainbridge	Askrigg	West Burton
Monday	After school clubs will resume after Easter holidays.		
Tuesday			
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday			
Date	Bainbridge	Askrigg	West Burton
19.04.21	Great North Air Ambulance Collections (AM)		
w/c 19 th April	Parent-Teacher Consultations via telephone or Teams (parent preference) – details shared this week.		
03.05.21	Bank Holiday		