



Dear Parents, families, and community,
It's hard to believe we are heading into the final week of April!

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend parent teacher consultations, it has been invaluable for teachers to discuss your child/ren's learning with you and how they are finding school following the latest lockdown.

A huge thank you to Mrs Wilman for overseeing appointments and MS Teams meetings across the Federation, it has been a huge job!

BAWB Curriculum Development

We have been working on our curriculum for over a year now, developing our provision to provide exciting and challenging lessons for our children.

We have been very fortunate to receive a bespoke package of training from the Diocese, supporting our leaders to become experts in their subjects.

It has been really exciting to see our new curriculum come to life in the newsletter each week through the photos of work taking place in and around our classrooms; from exploring Anglo Saxon artefacts to investigating micro habitats at the falls in West Burton. There is a buzz and excitement within our schools as the new units of work are explored, which is just wonderful.

Class timetables and curriculum overview Summer term



Apologies in the delay of getting these out to you – please find attached the class timetables and curriculum overviews for the summer term 2021.

After School Clubs

- Cycle Club – Unfortunately, due to very low take up of this club, it will **not** be taking place on Monday 26 April. We are looking at running the Club on a Thursday, commencing on 6 May. A revised form will be sent to parents of Merlins, Golden Eagles, Skylarks and Swallows pupils. The Club will be at Askrigg.
- After School Sports – West Burton - commencing on Monday 26 April.

If you would like your child to join, please ensure you fill out the electronic forms sent out via email or contact the admin office for more details.

Big Ask – National Survey of Children

This week the new Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has launched [The Big Ask](#) – the largest ever consultation with children aged 4 to 17 in England.

All parents or carers are invited to [complete this survey](#) with their children and also [to complete the adult survey](#).

The results from this survey will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential.



PTFA Meeting

There will be a PTFA meeting on Monday at 8pm, on-line. All are welcome to attend. The agenda is attached to the Newsletter, which also gives the link to the meeting.

BAWB Federation Term dates

January						
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

We are sharing the term date calendars with the newsletter for both 2020-21 and for 2021-22.

Bainbridge lost property

Brand new Bainbridge school jumper size 7-8 and a plain grey school jumper with no logo are currently missing from Bainbridge. They may have AP written or a stamp. Please can you check at home for us. Many thanks!



Cycling for All

Please find attached with the newsletter a 'Cycling for all' flyer about the upcoming all ability sessions taking place in Richmond, in May, held by StageOne cycles



Middleham CC Cricket Club

Please find attached with the newsletter Middleham CC cricket club's flyer for 2021 sessions and information.



This week's awards from the Headteacher:

Headteacher's Award, taught @ Bainbridge	Florence for her exceptional manners and kindness.
Headteacher's Award, taught @ Askrigg	Alice, she showed fantastic determination in a really challenging maths problem this week.
Headteacher's Award, taught @ West Burton	Tristan for his fantastic contributions to class discussions in geography.
Tidiest Classroom Award	Golden Eagles
Best Class Attendance	Owls, Golden Eagles and Merlins







Have a great weekend,



Charlotte Harper



Eleanor Harrison

	Pupil of the week	Attendance w/c 12/04
<p>Robins</p> 	<p>Lizzy for POW - for building confidence in her reading. – Mrs Johnston</p>	<p>97.92%</p>
<p>Owls</p> 	<p>Our pupil of the week is Riley for his positive attitude to learning, putting in a huge amount of effort into all that he does - Mrs Robinson and Mrs Harrison</p>	<p>100%</p>
<p>Golden Eagles</p> 	<p>Fred for finishing his phonics program and choosing books from the library to read. We read together yesterday and he is off to a strong start. – Mrs Richards</p>	<p>100%</p>
<p>Merlins</p> 	<p>This week's pupil of the week for the Merlins goes to Connor for showing great effort and enthusiasm in maths this week. – Mr Greenway</p>	<p>100%</p>
<p>Swallows</p> 	<p>James is pupil of the week. For amazing contributions to our geography discussions on rainforests. – Mr Scrafton</p>	<p>99.31%</p>
<p>Skylarks</p> 	<p>My pupil of the week is Ben for taking the initiative to improve his handwriting - fantastic effort. – Miss Collins</p>	<p>98.53%</p>

Robins

More perfect weather for exploring the landscape. We found bones, feathers and mud. The children insist the bones are dinosaur bones. It's all just so exciting.



We were so excited to see Rev Dave x



Butterfly catchers in forest schools



Owls

This week in maths we have been working on place value, using resources to make numbers, comparing numbers and finding the next number in the sequence.



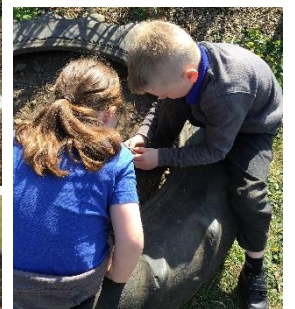
The children are loving the printing work in art with Mrs Robinson.



We have been learning about the life cycle of butterflies, observing the caterpillars each day with great excitement. I've been very impressed by the scientific language and questions the children have been using when talking about the caterpillars and the changes that will take place over the coming weeks.

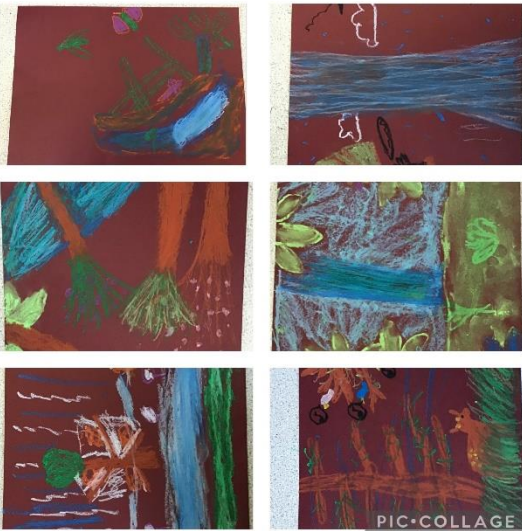


More science, this time outdoors, saw the children classifying dead, alive and never been alive, making sure they were very careful when handling creatures that were alive. We have some budding scientists, great work Owls!



Golden Eagles

We listened to an audio clip with sounds from a rain forest and drew what we visualised.



Trying out some Indian food as we are looking at India in Geography.

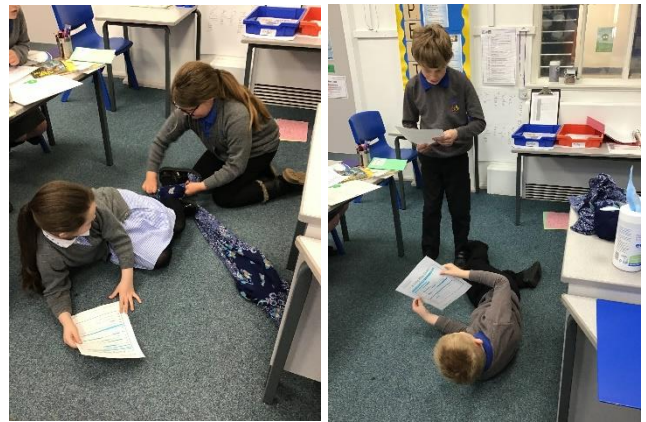
We enjoyed sampling Indian food.



Exploring place value



Acting out a play script



Looking at Anglo Saxon artefacts.



Merlins

Sorting and classifying living things in science



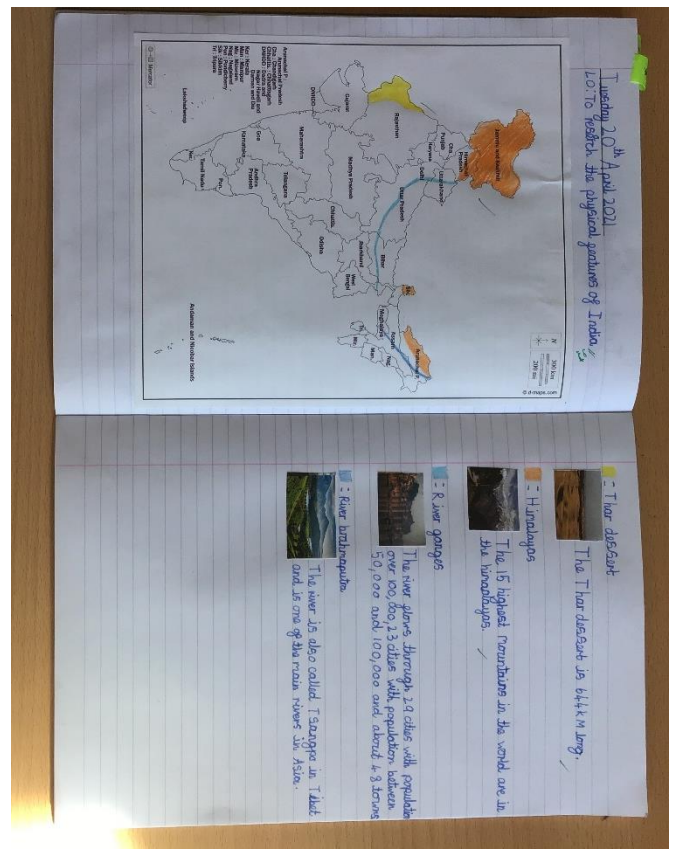
Carving in forest schools



Place value games in maths.



Physical features of India.



Swallows

Monday 19th April 2021
The Swallows visited West Burton falls to investigate micro habitats.
We discussed what animals need to survive and how the habitats meet these needs.

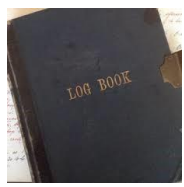


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Skylarks

This week the Skylarks have been enjoying looking through replicas of Anglo Saxon artefacts from the Dales Countryside Museum and thinking about what they may have been used for. The life-size sword, helmet and shield were particularly exciting!





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:

20.04.1967 – This morning, the Head Teacher took a group of children to the Music Festival in Leyburn, Mrs Teasdale in charge. The small recorder and percussion ensemble succeeded in gaining first place in their group.

28.04.1903 – notified H.M.S of closing the school for Burton feast next week.

EYFS News

This week we have been absorbed with teeny, tiny little pegs and peg boards. It's quite funny because this resource has been in school for years and years but it still excites children even though it seems so basic. We have been making lots of patterns and counting the rows of 10.

In our maths, we continue to explore teen numbers. Top tip – make sure your child is saying 'teen' when referring to teen numbers and 'ty' if they are referring to multiples of 10. One of the things they love most is the pattern of numbers going up/down by one. The stair visual is exciting when you are 4 or 5. I suppose it is part of human nature to look for pattern.

Phonics is pacy and productive with letter sounds including nk and oo this week. 'oo' is a firm favourite with children – 'oo, poo at the zoo'. Teachers like 'sh' better! But our favourite reading activity has been Arthur and Sammy's full range of 'Oi' books. We started off with Oi Frog and only have Oi Duck-billed Platypus left. They are amazing for encouraging rhyme and prediction and I would strongly recommend them as a great tool to develop top notch reading skills. Thank you Arthur and Sammy for kindly lending them to us.

The bike shed with the geared bikes has been made much more accessible. Mrs. Robinson says she has never seen a school with so many bikes and brilliant cyclists. And she has worked in schools with 100's of children on roll.

We are very fortunate to have such impressive outdoor facilities for such a small school and this is where we have been learning most of the time.

Hence the **reminder for sun cream and hats**. If you could lather your child up before they come into school that would be fab. The 8 hour sun cream is brilliant but may be pricey. Other supermarkets do some top quality at rock bottom prices. Whatever you choose, please pop it in your child's bag. Even on days that seem quite dull or chilly as the sun often starts to blaze later on.

Aidan has lost a new school jumper. Has anyone come home in it? Please have a look. As it is new, I'm sure it will have his name in. **PLEASE refresh the names in clothing**. We are gathering quite a few unnamed items now the weather is warmer and layers are being taken off.

The caterpillars are so cute at the moment and as a very famous book tells us, they are eating and eating and getting bigger and livelier all the time. As for the tadpoles – well they are just manic in this sunny weather.

Long may the sun continue. Have a wonderful weekend and see you on Monday xxxx

Askrigg News

This week the Merlins have been getting stuck into our new topics. In maths, we have been doing lots of work around place value and even working with numbers up to 10 million.

In Literacy, we have been loving all the myths and legends in our new class text. We have done lots of work around the book and next week we will be making our own book trailers which we are really excited about.

In Geography, we have researched the physical features of India including the Himalayas, the River Ganges and the Thar desert.

In Science, we started our new topic and began looking at ways we can classify and sort living things. We also had a great Forest Schools session where we carried on our journey of making our own pendant using traditional methods.

West Burton News

This week we are making unbalanced sculptures with Modroc and we all brought some old stuff to help with the sculptures. Last week, we all came up with our own ideas of our models.

Ben said, "I'm really looking forward to using the Modroc in art."

We also have been learning about India in geography; in history we were very excited to explore some Anglo Saxon things from the museum, including armour and clothes.

Toby said, "In history, I enjoyed looking at the Anglo Saxon sword and shield."

In English, we have been learning about a book called, "I Was a Rat" by Philip Pullman. It is really good and the whole class love it! I would really recommend reading it.

We have been doing some work on 100's, 1000's, tenths and hundredths in maths.

Maeve said, "I enjoyed learning new things in maths."

Thank you for reading West Burton Newsflash!

By Kirsty and Thia

BAWB PTFA News









Date of Next meeting: Monday 26 April at 8pm – online. Please see attached agenda.

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 	Tuesday & 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 – under the schools where they take place

	Bainbridge	Askrigg	West Burton
Monday		Cycling club (open to all)	After school Sports (Skylarks and Swallows)
Tuesday			
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday			
Date	Bainbridge	Askrigg	West Burton
26.04.21	Freeholder woods. Aysgarth visit	Cycle Club re-starts	After school sports restarts
03.05.21	Bank Holiday		
31.05 – 04.06	Half Term		
26.07.21	Teacher Training day		
27.07 – 06.09	Summer Holidays		
07.09.21	Autumn term begins		