

## Bainbridge, Askrigg, and West Burton Primary Schools

Mid-Dale Excellence in Education

Executive Headteacher: Miss Charlotte L. Harper

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Dear Parents, Carers and Members of the Community,

Thank You so much for all your energy and enthusiasm as we arrive at the end of a long and busy half-term. The children and staff are all ready for a well-



earned break and we sincerely hope that the weather takes a turn for the better!

#### **Reading Deep Dive**

Colleagues from the Diocesan School Improvement Team visited Askrigg on Wednesday to complete their

deep dive into reading across our Federation. It has been heartening to hear validation of the hugely positive impact of Read, Write, Inc. We have also



talked through our new 'Power of Reading' approach and how to adapt it to provide further challenge for pupils in their reading and more opportunities for extended writing. This 'deep-dive' has mirrored the structure of an Ofsted inspection and we feel privileged to have had such positive and constructive feedback on which to further build our reading-curriculum offer.



#### **Goodbye Sasha**

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to Sasha in the Golden Eagles class today as she and her family are moving to Northumberland.

From all of the staff and children

across the Federation, we would like to wish you good luck in your new school and thank you for being such a wonderful friend and role model during your time at our schools. We are really going to miss you, please keep in touch.

#### **Loving Earth Project**

We are delighted to be taking part in the 'Loving Earth'
Project which celebrates people, places, creatures, and other things that we love but which are threatened by growing environmental



breakdown (<u>click here for more info</u>). It offers a way to help people engage creatively and constructively with the issues, without being overwhelmed. It also offers a way to share initiatives and your reasons for taking them with a very diverse audience. Judith Bromley has invited us to contribute to the display of panels in the Quaker Meeting House in Bainbridge in July, before the whole exhibition is then taken to Glasgow during the COP 26 international Conference about climate change.

In order to make our panels, we are appealing to parents, family and community members to help us collect:

- Squares of (preferably white) material, 36 40 cm<sup>2</sup>. If they could be pre-hemmed that would even better!
- Off cuts of various fabrics for the children to create their designs with.

If you are able to help with this, please send your offerings into school marked for the attention of Mrs Alderson. Many thanks in anticipation.

### Queen's birthday lunch

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June the Queen turns 95! To mark the special occasion NYCC have put on an 'afternoon tea'

themed lunch including (of course) Scones, Jam and Cream. Yum! To mark the celebrations we would like to ask children to come smartly dressed to dinner. For those who do not take school lunch



but would like their child/ren to have a school lunch on this date please contact any admin email address as soon as possible. The cost of lunch is £2.80 and it will be charged via ParentPay.

#### **ParentPay**

Please can you keep an eye on your ParentPay accounts and organise regular payments to keep the accounts as low as possible. If there are any problems or discrepancies, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Gurden anytime.

## Robins' cycling dates

There are four more dates for the Robins' cycling. These are for those already accessing the cycling sessions, and will be held in the afternoon:

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June

#### **Lost Property @ Bainbridge**

Please can you all have a good look at home for the below items:

Batman wellies – blue/grey camo with batman logo 2 school jumpers (1 of which is brand new), size 7-8 with BAWB logo and Bainbridge written under the logo.

## Changes to Pick Up/Drop Off Arrangements

If there are any changes to pick up or drop off arrangements for your children, please could



you let school know as soon as possible, and certainly before the end of the school day? There have been a number of playdates organised since the lifting of lockdown restrictions; it is essential that we have official notification of this from parents as it is unsafe for us to take the word of children about their collection arrangements. The school office also needs to assess whether we can accommodate additional children on transport. It would also be appreciated if school could be advised in advance of any medical/dental appointments. Please use the <a href="mailto:BAWBAdmin@B-A-WB.co.uk">BAWBAdmin@B-A-WB.co.uk</a> email address.

#### **Askrigg and District Produce Show**

Karen Jones writes... "We are holding the Askrigg and District produce show online again this year and entries

are now open. Take a look at the website as we have some great categories for children and adults alike. May be you could get creative over half term? You simply need to photograph your entries and email them into us or send them via our Facebook or Instagram account.



All the details of the categories and how to enter can be found on our

website <a href="https://askriggshow2021.weebly.com">https://askriggshow2021.weebly.com</a>.

There are prizes for all winners in the children's section and we hope as restrictions ease we will be able to have an awards ceremony in Askrigg Village Hall on 30<sup>th</sup> August. We hope everyone will get their photos in early and the online event will be as popular as last year when we had a record-breaking show."

#### **Height and Weight Measuring**

The Healthy Child Team will be in our schools on Wednesday 23 June to take the height and weight of our Reception and Year 6 children. This is part of the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP). Parents will receive a letter regarding this. You do have the option to opt out of this programme and you can do so by calling 01423 544271.

This week's awards from the Headteacher:				
Headteacher's Award, taught @ Bainbridge	Ed for following all areas of our RESPECT code.			
Headteacher's	Joseph for a mature approach to his			
Award, taught @	learning, both in and out the			
Askrigg	classroom			
Headteacher's Award, taught @ West Burton	William for <i>effort</i> and <i>smartness</i> in all aspects of school life			
Tidiest Classroom Award	Owls			
Best Class Attendance	Skylarks & Swallows			

Wishing you all a happy and restful break. We are sure that you will all be enjoying a few more freedoms following the lifting of Covid restrictions.

Stay safe and have lots of fun!

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Charlotte Harper

**Eleanor Harrison** 

	Pupil of the week	Attendance w/c 17/05
Robins	<b>Libby</b> for always wanting to help. – Mrs Johnston & Mrs Middleton	98.33%
Owls	Isla for her <i>effort</i> in geography, using some fantastic vocabulary to describe the Amazon rainforest and creating a wonderful picture of the plants and animals found there (see photos). – Mrs Harrison	97.5%
Golden Eagles	Layla for her concentration and effort in art this week as well as helping to tidy up everyone's mess at the end. – Mrs Richards	97.08%
Merlins	Clari for always showing enthusiasm in her work and always giving 100% effort in every subject. – Mr Greenway	98.42%
Swallows	Swallows  Lily-Anne for fabulous effort with her reading and for showing her enjoyment of reading by reading to her friends.  - Mr Scrafton	
Skylarks	<b>Kirsty</b> for every aspect of the RESPECT code: responsibility, effort, smartness, saying please and thank you, enthusiasm, choices and talk Miss Collins	100%

## **Robins**



Ben has made a pond using straight and curved edges.

Desirable residence - Theo has made his bunny a bedroom with medical facilities, kitchen and toys.



Myles brought in a balloon that you could light up inside. We had lots of fun taking turns to try to keep it off the floor by batting it.

Making faces.











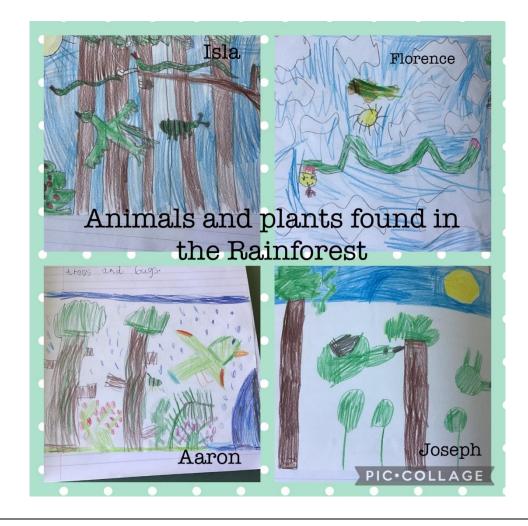


## Owls









Golden Eagles

Bringing to life a play script for *Power of Reading*.







Making a modrock sculpture.



Looking a division with remainders in maths.





## Merlins

Problem solving in maths using orienteering.



Working hard or hardly working? Our final yoga session.



Using story mapping to help retell a section of a story.

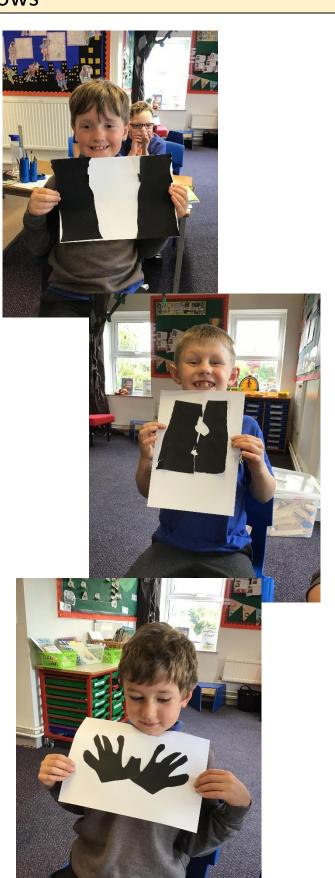


Architectural style drawings in geography, comparing our housing with that of a traditional Indian village.









## Skylarks

Lizzie and Abigail's collective worship.



And the practice run...



Outdoor circle time for PSHE - nice to have some dry weather for once.

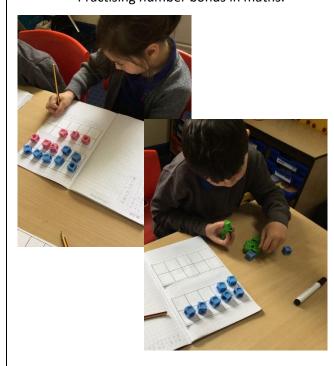


Relaxation at the end of a lovely yoga session.





Practising number bonds in maths.





# 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:

**19**<sup>th</sup> **May 1911** – The scripture lesson was given by the vicar on Thursday morning. On Friday morning the attendance officer visited the school average 48.7

**28**<sup>th</sup> **May 1982** – Mrs Daykins class visited Blackpool Zoo, Mrs Cooper accompanied the group. The school closed for the Whitsun Holiday

## **EYFS News**

So at the start of the week children turned up with their emergency change of clothes, as requested (well done adults). We were surprised at how excited the children were at having emergency clothes and several proceeded to dress themselves in every additional item. This caused an eclectic layered effect that for some reason or other they found quite joyful. Thankfully Miss Harper wasn't in the building as usually we can manage to look smart for the whole of Monday morning – not so this week. Please can I ask you to check your child's clothing to see if any items say Rosie B. Mrs Johnston may have become confused and put her emergency clothes into the school supply. Mrs Iveson has worked hard trying to locate everything but we haven't found it all yet.

Remember – LABEL YOUR CLOTHES. Also, it is with sadness I politely wish to discourage the bringing into school of cuddly toys from home. We recognise the comfort they provide (and will discuss with you to come up with a plan if you would like) but it is against our Covid rules. Damn that Covid. In addition, we would recommend water rather than juice in bottles. The dentists would be horrified at potential tooth decay caused by sipping juice throughout the day.

Back to Monday - later on in the day we went to the park. The children were convinced it was a treat, little did they know we were working on our gross motor skills, social interactions and risk taking. And the highly exciting game of running around and finding somewhere to clamber was absolutely not designed for fun but to develop following instructions and use of positional language. So all in all a great start to the week.

The butterflies were 16 and counting at time of newsletter. They have been carefully released just in time for the improving weather. The children have still been fascinated with them and we used watercolour pencils to make some super butterfly paintings.

In maths we have been exploring doubles and (as mentioned) positional language. We are very good at knowing our doubles off by heart and have done lots of activities to really embed the concept.

Our phonics assessments have been really good with all children making progress – so you can look forward to different texts after half term.

Half term – what wonderful words appreciated by all. Well certainly the staff at school. The weather is on the up and we wish you all a wonderful week. Don't forget to read......Enjoy!

Love Robins xxx

## **Askrigg News**

The Merlins have a rather different week. We have had 2 days where groups have been working hard on bikeability. All the groups have done really well and we're excited for group A to have their afternoon session after half term. While the others have been out the rest of us have worked on problem solving challenges in math's based on addition and subtraction.in English we got to show off how our 'Power of Reading' lessons work to some visitors (they were very impressed.) We got chance to finish off our unbalanced sculptures in Art. In history, we wrote obituaries for Alfred the Great after learning all about his life and his achievements. We also enjoyed our last Yoga session with Kate, unfortunately this was pre-recorded so we didn't get chance to say thank you properly for these fun and relaxing sessions. We have all worked hard this term and are excited for a break and to come back feeling refreshed and ready to learn.

The Merlins

## West Burton News

On Monday, we did English and finished 'I Was A Rat'.

Thomasina said, "We really enjoyed 'I Was A Rat'."

In science, we learnt about invertebrates how they don't have backbones. A tiger is not an invertebrate it's a vertebrate and worms are invertebrate because they don't have a back bone. Maeve said, "I loved science."

On Tuesday, we were planning our own stories based on 'I Was A Rat'. Everyone's story plan was really good. Thia said, "I enjoyed planning my story."

We also did geography and went outside. Beatrice said, "I enjoyed going outside for geography."

On Wednesday, we did PSHE and in that we learnt about Internet safety. In English we started writing our stories. We also did our zoom yoga session.

At the end of this week, it is half term. Happy half term everyone!

## **BAWB PTFA News**



<u>Date of Next Meeting:</u> AGM – <u>Tuesday 22 June</u> at the Falls Coffee Shop, 7:30pm, followed by the regular PTFA meeting. Agendas for the meetings are attached to the Newsletter.

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

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	7	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			After school Sports (Skylarks and Swallows)			
Tuesday						
Wednesday						
Thursday		Cycling club (open to A and WB)				
Friday						
Date	Bainbridge	Askrigg	West Burton			
31.05 – 04.06	Half Term					
14-15.06.21	KS2 Dales Community Choir Workshops					
28.6.21	Y6 Leaver's Trip – Marrick Priory					
05.07 – 16.07.21	Y6 Transition Days - TWS					
11.7.21	Queen's Birthday Lunch – Children to dress smartly (newsletter 7 for more information)					
12.7.21	Y6 Transition Day – Richmond School					
12-14.7.21	Y6 Transitions Days - SFX					
26.07.21	Teacher Training day					
27.07 – 06.09	Summer Holidays					
06.09.21	Teacher Training Day					
07.09.21	Autumn term begins					