



Dear parents and friends,  
 Another busy week at BAWB schools and our children have been busy learning some songs for the Harvest Festival with Sarah Clark. It is lovely to hear the piano being played and our children singing with such enthusiasm.

**Drop-in Sessions update**

Please see attached correspondence regarding the planned drop-in sessions on October 4<sup>th</sup>.



**Open Days next week...**

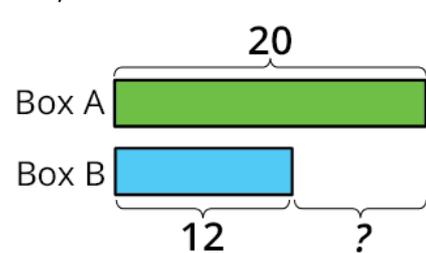
Don't forget to drop in at one or all of our open afternoons (from 1pm – 3pm) next week to meet our staff and see some of their learning that

takes place in our schools:

- Monday – Bainbridge
- Tuesday – West Burton
- Wednesday - Askrigg

**New Website Design**

Since the birth of our Federation we have been operating three separate websites which, over time, have evolved into copies of each other, holding identical information on shared pages with one separate 'home page'. We are now in the process of working with the website providers to produce one federation website, as it is no longer necessary to host three. This will help us to streamline the way we upload and manage online information and also the way you as parents access it. An added benefit is that we will only pay for one managed subscription as opposed to the current three. The new website, once designed, will still come up in a Search Engine result by typing any of the three schools' names. If you have any suggestions as to how we might improve the current content or layout of the website, please do email me directly. Many thanks



**Bar-Modelling**

As part of our ongoing staff development programme, we have been training this week on 'bar-modelling': a strategy used by

children to visualise mathematical concepts and solve problems. The method is a way to pictorially represent a situation in a word problem or concept. Over the next few weeks, this strategy will be worked in to our children's maths lessons – why not ask them more about it? Our ongoing commitment to the improvement of maths (including our growth mindsets work) has had an extremely positive impact on our children's attitude towards and enjoyment of maths, the quality of learning in maths sessions, and our pupil data (e.g. SATs) - well done everyone and thank you to Miss Collins for leading such effective change in a key area of the curriculum.

**BAWB day on 13<sup>th</sup> October**

This half-term's BAWB day will be held at Askrigg School on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October. We have an exciting day in the making,

including some maths storytelling workshops with a guest: Gauri Raje. More details to follow a bit nearer the time.

**Seaside Rescue Competition**

Mr Billingham writes: "Thank you to everybody who took part in the seaside rescue competition which took place before the summer holidays, to link with the federation's seaside rescue theme. Every entry we received had obviously been carefully put together with pride! It was very tough to judge, but the results are now in.

**Children's Competition:**

Joint 1st - Phoebe Allenby for a wonderful model recreating Grace Darling's adventure and Ronan Peacock for a well thought out and busy seaside rescue scene constructed from art materials and Lego!

2nd - Ruby Cumpstone-Steward for an imaginative and clever game produced using Scratch.

3rd - Thomasina Cartwright for a wonderful drawing of a seaside scene.

**Adult's Competition**

1st - Wendy Turner for a skilled creation of a lighthouse using felt material.

Thank you to all entries, prizes will be handed out in due course!"

**Y5 and Y6 Football – Next Friday**

Our Y5 and Y6 boys and girls are looking forward to the cluster football at Leyburn next Friday. Please see previous newsletter for details about what to wear. Celebration assembly will go ahead as normal (without Y5/6 at Askrigg).



**Yoga Provision in Our Schools**

Please see the attached letter which includes a sign up slip for the after school club at Askrigg.

**Sainsbury's Tokens**

Thank you to everyone who sent in Sainsbury tokens. We placed an order before the holidays for new toys for playtimes which we received this week. Thank you for your support with these schemes.

Weekly Class Attendance	
Class 2 @ Bainbridge – Mrs Harrison	98.1%
Class 3 @ Askrigg – Mr Billingham	98.5%
Class 4 @ Askrigg – Miss Collins	98.6%
Class 1 @ West Burton – Mrs Williams	96%
Class 2 @ West Burton – Mrs Robinson	97.1%

This Week's Awards from the Headteacher:	
Headteacher's Award, Bainbridge	Connor Reddy
Headteacher's Award, Askrigg	Willis Reilly
Headteacher's Award, West Burton	Grace Dent
Best Class Attendance	Miss Collins's Class
Tidiest Classroom Award	Miss Collins's Class

Have a great weekend.

Charlotte Harper



## 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 book.

September 1906:-School closed today by order of the Medical Officer for a month, owing to the prevalence of Measles amongst the children. To re-open 1<sup>st</sup> October if advised.

October 1906:- The school has still to be closed another fortnight by order of the Medical Officer. To re-open on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October 1906.



## West Burton's Newsflash

This week Class Two has enjoyed learning a text map for Michael Morpurgo's short story 'The Silver Swan.'

Class One said 'we have enjoyed outdoor learning even in the rain.'

**Grace Dent, Y6**

This week we have embraced the saying, "You need to crack eggs to make an omelette." So we like to think that we have risen to the challenge and cracked eggs – Reading Eggs that is. You will find Reading Eggs on the RMuNify homepage. As soon as your child receives their log in and password please take a look. It requires many fine motor skills to access and several steps to get there but the children are very keen and fast learners. So the more support you can give them, the sooner they will be able to use the software independently. At school the children will have used a touch pad on the chrome books. You may have a mouse or touch screen which may be new to your child or they may be a whizz at it. Let us know how you get on and please ask if you want further information. Word of warning - adult patience is required but at least you only have one child to support, not 16! (Apart from Sam and Amelie's parents).



Also developing more technology skills, some of the children have been using the iPads to take photos of their friends. This started off with some very funny shots but the progress they made in a very short time (and working independently) was very impressive. The results so far are on the wall for you to view.

Other activities this week have involved river making outside, fish observations (rainbow trout and mackerel) and we have made a story map for The Three Billy Goats Gruff. In maths we are exploring shapes, looking at straight and curved edges and sorting into groups. We have done lots of counting and number ordering using action songs and rhymes.

Hope you have a super weekend and look forward to seeing you on Monday.



## Askrigg's Junior Reporters' Column...

### Year 5 and 6 football

On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> of September - next week – Year 5 and 6 are going to a football tournament at Leyburn Primary School. On Tuesdays in P.E. they have been practicing with Mr Bullock. There will be a girls' team and a boys' team. Some people used to hate football but now they feel a bit more confident: Gracie feels a lot more confident being in goal. Here are some quotes from Class 4 pupils who are excited about the football: Pjeter says, "I'm excited for the football because we have a good chance of winning." Ruby P says, "I don't really like football but I like helping the team." Ben says, "I'm excited because I think we can win." Phoebe says, "I'm excited because it will be interesting to see who wins."



**By Jack Dalton Y6 & Ellie Peacock Y6**



## Community News

### Upper Wensleydale Sunday School

The Harvest Festival is at Lowlands Farm, Askrigg (weather permitting) on 24<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30am. Everyone is welcome.

### Learning Curve at Wensleydale Sport and Leisure – Maths for Parents

Do you struggle with the new way of doing maths? Want to understand what goes on in the classroom? From Year Six to GCSE level, Geoff will guide you through the maths maze. Bring an exercise book and a calculator.

Tutor: Geoff Potter; Dates: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October for 4 weeks; Time: 7.30-9pm; Cost: £30 for the course

For more information and to book please contact: Jan Hale, Wensleydale Sport and Leisure Centre, Askrigg. Tel: 01969 650060 Mobile: 07968 606571 Email: [admin@yorebridge-sport.co.uk](mailto:admin@yorebridge-sport.co.uk)

### Janet Seymour's School of Theatre & Dance

#### Ballet for Boys & Girls with Janet Seymour

Dance, exercise and have fun with a top-quality Royal Academy of Dance-trained teacher. As well as weekly lessons there are occasional opportunities to perform in costume and to take exams. £5 per lesson.

Saturdays in Hawes At The NASH - just behind St. Margaret's Church

8.30 - 9.15 am - Foundation Stage Ballet 4 yrs+; 9.15 - 10.00 am - Primary Ballet 6 yrs+

Mondays in Askrigg – Yorebridge Sports & Leisure centre

5.30 pm - Primary Ballet for beginners 6 yrs+; 6.15 pm - Primary Tap for beginners 6 yrs+

#### Junior Badminton...

...starting Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September, Askrigg Village Hall. Children from Y2 up to and including Y5 will be 6.30 to 7.00pm. Children in y6 and upwards, 7.00 to 7.30pm. All welcome. Please contact James Hodgson 650109, or just turn up.

### The Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority News

The YDNPA have created a fantastic week, celebrating local produce across the Yorkshire Dales National Park and Nidderdale AONB. Some activities you will need to book and some are free, please take a look at the website for more details: [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/cheese-festival](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/cheese-festival) The events include:

**Cheese Festival at the Wensleydale Creamery:** This is taking place on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September with Children's entertainment, arts and craft, bouncy castle, BBQ, cheese and butter making demonstrations, cookery demonstrations, cheese grading demonstrations, cheese pairing and cheese tasting workshops. There will be the opportunity to meet the suppliers of some of the amazing produce sold in the Wensleydale Creamery shop, along with local Yorkshire cheese producers and bakers.

#### **The Enchanted Wood:**

A delightful forest school for children. Storytelling and games in Freeholders Wood near Aysgarth Falls. Fireside cooking featuring cheese, blackberries and hazelnut spread. Craft with woodland tools – make a truckle shaped secret door and a dormouse to take home. Explore the magical wood at the end of summer and discover signs of early autumn, Whittle and build dens from 17.00.

**Penhill Children's Church:** Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September, 09:30 – 11am at Wensley Village Hall. Refreshments and newspapers available for parents who choose to stay.

#### **The Dales Youth Pop Choir**

Debbie Allenby writes: *'The Dales Youth Pop Choir has got off to a great start. We've enjoyed singing lots of great songs and have also been using microphones. We meet at the Leyburn Community Arts Centre on Thursdays from 6 till 7pm. It is ideal for children aged 7 to 13, so get in touch if you would like to join us. (£3 per week) Contact Debbie on 07789 071425 for more information.'*

#### **Wensleydale Rocks!**

Kayleigh Pattison writes: *'Hi all, as some of you may have already seen I have started a Facebook group called 'Wensleydale Rocks'. The idea is one I hope you all like and will get involved with in and around our beautiful Wensleydale. The idea is that families (young and old) decorate rocks and stones in any theme, colour, inspirational quote you like and hide them around our local areas, posting a photo and rough location of their hides to the Facebook group. Then, others have lots of fun on their walks and wanders finding these treasures and re-hiding them for the next hunters! Again, posting activity to the group along the way. On these rainier, darker days I think it'll be a great incentive to be outdoors more and for our children, (and grown-ups!) to get creative with their designs at home. Please contact me on Facebook or add yourself to the 'Wensleydale Rocks!' Group. Happy hunting!'*

#### **BAINBRIDGE NEWS**

Bainbridge C of E Primary and Nursery School, Bainbridge, North Yorkshire, DL8 3EL

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[admin@bainbridge.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@bainbridge.n-yorks.sch.uk)

#### **ASKRIGG NEWS**

Askrigg VC Primary School, Yorebridge, Askrigg,

North Yorkshire, DL8 3BJ

01969 650331

[admin@askrigg.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@askrigg.n-yorks.sch.uk)

### School Field at Askrigg

A parents has informed us that last weekend they came with their child to cycle on the playground and noticed some dog dirt on the field.

We would like to thank them for cleaning it up and alerting us to it. Please can I remind you that dogs should not be brought onto the school playground / field because of the potential health hazards? Thank you.

### **WEST BURTON NEWS**

**West Burton C of E Primary School, West Burton, Leyburn, North Yorkshire DL8 4JY**

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[admin@westburton.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@westburton.n-yorks.sch.uk)

**Data Collection Sheets:** Thank you to those who have returned the Data Collection sheets that were sent out last week. I am still waiting on a few so would be grateful if they could be returned to school as soon as possible.

### Dates For Your Diary

Regular Clubs – All clubs are open to all children (until fully subscribed e.g. Askrigg cookery club is full) and are shown under the school where they take place

	Bainbridge	Askrigg	West Burton
Monday		Cycling – Ms Pollard – 3:30pm -4:30pm	
Tuesday		After School Sports – Mr Bullock 3.30pm to 4.30pm	Tuesday Team
Wednesday			
Thursday		Chess Club – Mr Oliver - lunchtime	After School Sports – Mr Bullock 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Friday			The Songbirds 3.30pm
Date	Bainbridge	Askrigg	West Burton
25.9.17	1pm – 3pm – Open Day at Bainbridge		
26.9.17	1pm – 3pm – Open Day at West Burton		
27.9.17	1pm – 3pm – Open Day at Askrigg		
29.9.17	Y5 and Y6 Football Tournament – Leyburn Primary		
3.10.17	PTFA Meeting; 8pm; venue tbc		
16.10.17	Great North Air Ambulance Bags 2 School Collection. Askrigg 9am; Bainbridge 9:30am; West Burton 10am		
19.10.17	BAWB Parents' Forum – 7pm – Bainbridge School		
Saturday 18.11.17	PTFA Christmas Fair		

### Forest School Dates

Please ensure your child has suitable footwear and clothing i.e. warm, waterproof clothes that you don't mind getting dirty / smoky. Also wellies / old trainers / walking boots.

		Nov 3 <sup>rd</sup>	West Burton
		10 <sup>th</sup>	Bainbridge
Sept 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Bainbridge	17 <sup>th</sup>	Askrigg
29 <sup>th</sup>	No session (football)	24 <sup>th</sup>	West Burton
Oct 6 <sup>th</sup>	Askrigg	Dec 1 <sup>st</sup>	Bainbridge
13 <sup>th</sup>	BAWB Day (no session)	8 <sup>th</sup>	Askrigg
20 <sup>th</sup>	Bainbridge	15 <sup>th</sup>	West Burton
Half Term		22 <sup>nd</sup>	No session