



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

Mid-Dale Excellence in Education

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Dear parents and friends,  
We made it! A long but wonderful half-term leading up to Christmas and so many festive activities taking place in our schools...

### Christmas Gifts from Santa

We would like to say a massive thank you to Tilly Smith who was a great help to Santa and wrapped 100 books so that he could give each of our children a present when he visited on BAWB Day. Many thanks Tilly – Santa and his helpers are very grateful!



### Christmas Carol Concert

Thank you so very much to Reverends Dave and Lynn for leading a wonderful Christmas celebration in St. Andrew's church on Tuesday. Thank you also to all of the people involved in helping with that; not least Sarah Clark whose self-composed songs are wonderful – we are very fortunate! Thank you to all the children for their excellent behaviour in the church.



### Askrigg's Film: A Wensleydale Christmas Carol

At the time of going to press, we are yet to see the premiere of the long-awaited film. However, may I take this opportunity to formally thank and congratulate Mr Billingham for directing the film and producing such an ambitious project! Everyone who has helped has gone above and beyond, offering props, costumes, expertise, financial contributions, venues, and precious time. Special thanks to everyone who has contributed (please see the programme for more details). And most importantly of all... thank you to all of the children, for their skills, patience, and enthusiasm.

Well done to all and thank you – we are all eagerly anticipating the premier on Wednesday evening.

### Christmas BAWB Day and Lunch

Again, at the time of going to press we are all eagerly anticipating our fun-filled BAWB day at West Burton, including a wonderful Christmas lunch prepared by our three cooks. I know



that they have already put so much work into organising the day, before they even begin cooking all the food on Thursday. Thank you so very much to Mrs Mayer, Mrs Alderson and Mrs Chapman in anticipation of a lovely lunch. We are extremely fortunate to have three such talented cooks in our team.

### Information about next term...INVENTIONS!

Please find enclosed:

- Key Stage theme overview for our new curriculum topic: inventions.
- Spider diagram detailing your child's class's subject content for our 'inventions' theme.

### Save the Children – Christmas

#### Jumpers Day

Our schools looked very festive last week, with a wide variety of Christmas jumpers!

Thanks to your donations we are able to send £56.25 to Save the Children. Thank you.

#### Mr Stokes

We are really pleased to be welcoming Mr Stokes back to school on January 8<sup>th</sup>. Mrs Frew-McGill will be spending some days working alongside him over the course of January to make sure that we hand over properly. May I take this opportunity to thank Mrs Frew-McGill for the commitment and skill she has brought to our school – thank you very much indeed!



Save the Children  
**CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY**

We are looking forward to Mr Stokes's return.

### Marrick Priory Information Evening – Y3/4

There will be an information evening at Askrigg School on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January at 5:30pm for children in Y3 and Y4 and their parents. Jim (the manager) from Marrick will be attending and you will be given lots more information about the trip. It is our intention that the following members of staff will be on the residential:

Mrs Bell  
Mr Billingham  
Mr Stokes  
Mrs Alderson

More details to follow. We will also be able to ask any questions you may have.

### RESPECT code Information Session – 22<sup>nd</sup> January

We have had our RESPECT code in place for a number of years now and have recently carried out a major review with staff and pupils. Your child(ren) may well have been talking about it more at home.

Some of our newer parents may not be familiar with the RESPECT code, how it works, and where it came from. Therefore, we will be holding an information evening for parents. The session will be at Bainbridge School at 5:30pm on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January. Please come along and find out more!



### Maths Growth Mindsets

You may have heard your children talking about 'growth mindsets'; a concept which assumes that intelligence is not 'fixed' and that we all have the opportunity to up-skill ourselves in any area we choose. There will be a chance for you to find out more about our maths growth mindsets as we have arranged a session at West Burton on 7<sup>th</sup> February at 5:30pm. More details will follow – but please



make a note in your diary.

### Please send in old Christmas cards

A message for our Eco-Group: 'Would you like to help plant 10,000 new trees in Britain? You can if you collect all your old Christmas cards. We want to help recycle these cards. Please send in old Christmas cards into school or Askrigg Village Shop before 22<sup>nd</sup> January so we can send them to Marks and Spencers, which will then send them onto the Woodland Trust. If we can collect 1000 cards, the Woodland Trust will plant one tree. Since 2012 more than 32 million cards have been collected and 32,000 trees have been planted!'

### ParentPay

Please can I ask that you take the time to log into ParentPay and settle up any outstanding items prior to our return in January? Thank you.



Wishing you a fun-filled, relaxing, and very happy Christmas and New Year.

We look forward to welcoming all of the children back to school on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2018.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

*Charlotte Harper*

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## 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.

1971 – Dec 18<sup>th</sup> Parents and friends attended a school concert and saw a nativity play, puppet show and heard and sang a collection of carols.

1910 – Dec 16<sup>th</sup> Tuesday was wild and wet and therefore attendance was low. A holiday was given on Friday for the opening of the New Temperance Hall.



## West Burton's Newsflash

This Tuesday we went to Aysgarth Church for a Christmas Carol Service. We sang lots of different songs, some of them Rev Dave and Sarah wrote themselves.

We still have lots more Christmas activities left like: BAWB day, Christmas Lunch, Christmas party and pantomime and we are looking forward to all of these.

WE HOPE YOU HAVE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Grace Dent Y6 and Anna Dent Y4



## Askrigg's Junior Reporters' Column

### Christmas Carol Service

On Tuesday afternoon, the children from BAWB went to Aysgarth church for a Christmas service. First, we went to sit down in the pews and then we sang a warm-up song and we had to shout 'hey!' at the end of it. After that, we played a game where Rev Dave asked questions about a Christmas journey: each child had a picture of a face that looked happy but then looked sad if you turned it upside down.

Then we sang a song that we had learnt in assembly called 'Peace came down at Christmas time' and we also sang 'Knock Knock', which had been written by Rev Dave and his wife.

After that, we watched a video about the Christmas journey and thought about some of the difficulties. Some of the children had written prayers about journeys and they read them out.

They were: Phoebe, Ruby C-S, Emily and Chloe.

Then we sang one last song while a lady gave out some stars. On the stars we were told to write something about Christmas and then hang it on our Christmas trees at home. Some of the ladies at the church had made some biscuits for us so we all got to have some biscuits and juice before we went home.



### **By Lenny Blowes Y5 and Jack Dalton Y6**



The Early Years classroom has been the most magical of places this week full to bursting with nearly 30 children all preparing for Christmas. Actually, that is not quite correct as we have a multitude of elves, angels and a tiger (courtesy of the dressing up box). Preparations have included making party hats and decorations creating cards and rehearsing songs for the Christmas service in the beautiful church at Aysgarth. So lovely to have so many parents celebrate with us. We have also sneaked in phonics and maths because why wouldn't you when the children are so good at doubling and recognising odd and even numbers.

Yes you can picture the excitement pulsing through their veins and tingling their toes. And can you picture the quantity of relaxing herbal teas that Mrs. Loughlin and Mrs. Johnston are drinking whilst the children tingle? Gallons and gallons of it! But we are all calm and all happy and the BEST NEWS of all is that we are all on the 'Nice' list for Santa. Well we are according to all the mark making books where the children have recoded names with ticks and crosses on a daily basis.

Only the panto to go and then it's time to have your children all to yourselves to celebrate Christmas.

We wish you the best of times with friends and family at this special time of year and look forward to 2018 and the exciting activities we have planned. We have had a brilliant term and can hardly believe we can improve on it but I know we will.



## Community News

**Christmas Tree Festival at St Oswald's Askrigg** runs from 17<sup>th</sup> December to 02 January from 9am-6pm. Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> 7pm Christmas Tree Festival pre-view concert

**Askrigg Advent Window** trail sheets are available from Church, Sykes Store or Humble Pie

### **Askrigg Children's Activities**

Cheryl Burton writes: 'Christmas events for Askrigg Children's activities, everyone is welcome! Carol Singing [Friday 22nd 6pm](#), meet at the Cross; Children's Party, [Saturday 23rd, 3-5pm](#) in the Village Hall with DJ Wilco (bring and share party tea, boys savoury, girls sweet); [Christmas Eve](#), Father Christmas in Church [@ 5:15](#), a small gift for each child. Mulled wine and mince pies (donation of mince pies welcome).

### **Upper Wensleydale Benefice Sunday School December**

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> 4.00pm Christingle Service at Askrigg Church (with a visit by Santa) and 8.00pm, Carols by Candlelight at Stalling Busk.

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December CHRISTMAS EVE:** 3.30pm Crib Service **with Children's Church**, St. Mary's, Redmire; 4:00pm Crib Service **with Children's Church**, St Bartholomew's, West Witton

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December CHRISTMAS DAY:** 11am Family Communion Service, St. Andrew's, Aysgarth

### **Askrigg & Bainbridge PTFA Events:**

CURRY NIGHT - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January, 6pm – 9pm at The Wheatsheaf, Carperby. £8.50 Adult, £6 Child, includes meal and a drink. Tickets available at the Wheatsheaf, Askrigg and Bainbridge school receptions or from our committee members. It would be lovely to see you all there!

#### **BAINBRIDGE NEWS**

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#### **ASKRIGG NEWS**

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### 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			
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
22.12.17		Christmas parties (am)	
22.12.17		Jack and the Beanstalk Pantomime at Tennants, Leyburn (pm)	
25.12.17 – 7.1.18		Christmas Holidays	
8.1.18		Training Day – School Closed	
Tuesdays from 16.1.18		KS2 swimming	
9.1.18		School reopens	
15.1.18		Y3/4 Information meeting for Marrick Priory. 5:30pm Askrigg School	
22.1.18		RESPECT code information evening for parents, 5:30pm, Bainbridge	
30.1.18 – 2.2.18		Y3/4 Residential to Marrick Priory	
7.2.18		Growth Mindset (in maths) session for parents, 5:30pm, West Burton	
27.3.18		Last swimming session – KS2	
11-14.6.18		Y5/6 Residential to Carlton Lodge	
15.6.18		Y5 and Y6 Bikeability Level 1	
19, 20, 21.6.18		Y5 and Y6 Bikeability – Level 2	
26, 27, 28.6.18			Y5 and Y6 Bikeability – Level 2