



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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Dear Parents/Carers,

Implementation of Option 3A

The BAWB Governing Board decided on 11th July not to allow West Burton to defederate. The overwhelming reasoning put forward by the governors was that, although the Shadow board presented a very strong case, the governors believed that defederation was not in the best interests of the children from an educational and social perspective.

As a follow up from this news we will attempt to clarify a few points regarding the working of 3A in our Federation of schools.

We have attached the timetable hoping that this will give clarity on who is teaching where and where children will be each session of each day.

All KS1 at Bainbridge School

We are working to put in place a bus to transport West Burton Reception and KS1 children to Bainbridge from West Burton school each day. The bus will be with our regular provider and we will be staffing this journey. The bus will leave West Burton school at 8.30 am to arrive at Bainbridge for 8.45/8.50 am. The return journey will leave Bainbridge at 2.50 pm and return via Aysgarth to West Burton arriving at 3.10 pm. School will close at 3.30 pm. If your child is in these cohorts and you wish to discuss individual needs/pick ups please contact the Headteachers.

KS2 children at West Burton Monday to Thursday

KS2 children are asked arrive between 8.30am and 8.45am on these days and the end of the school day will be 3.30pm for all children (as it is at Askrigg and Bainbridge).

KS2 at Askrigg and West Burton

As per the timetable all years 3-6 will be taught at their Base school Monday to Thursday.

Fridays will be BAWB or Federation days and will entail the whole of KS2 coming together on one site, in the first instance Askrigg for the Autumn term. The 2 KS2 phases (Year 3/ 4 and Year 5/6) will be taught together by Ms Collins and Mrs Robinson in a morning to cover Literacy and Numeracy. All of these children will be involved in a Sports Friday afternoon each week which will include a combination of PE/Forest schools/Yoga in the larger year groups.

Every Friday some of the West Burton children MAY be able to catch the Carperby bus to Askrigg school if they live at the top side of the Dale and this is most convenient for them. Particularly those living in Castle Bolton and Redmire. Once again please contact the school if you wish to discuss this.

Once again the bus will leave West Burton school at 8.30 am arriving at Askrigg at approx. 8.50-8.55 am. No lesson time will be lost in the process. They will leave Askrigg at 3pm for the return journey to West Burton. School will finish at 3.30 pm.

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The children who live in Aysgarth could catch the bus as it makes the second part of the journey up from West Burton to Askrigg, once again please contact us for clarification on this.

KS1 at Bainbridge

All years 1+2 of the federation will be taught together at Bainbridge base. West Burton children will leave West Burton school at 8.30 am arriving at Bainbridge at approximately 8.50 am, the return journey will leave Bainbridge at 2.50 pm. The west Burton school day will be extended in line with the other two schools of the federation to finish at 3.30 pm.

Nursery and Reception

All children joining the Federation from Age 3 will be taught at Bainbridge Monday to Fridays. Nursery places are allocated on request and reviewed on a regular basis.

Collective Worship and Celebration Assemblies

Collective worship is an important part of the school day, these will continue to take place in all three schools each day. West Burton children will have their collective worship when the Reception and KS1 children return to their home school at 3.10pm.

Celebration assemblies will also continue to take place in home schools on a Friday. The celebration assembly at West Burton School will take place at the slightly later time of 3.10pm to allow the younger children to return.

Staffing

For the Autumn term the staffing in all 3 schools will remain static.

Mrs Robinson will teach KS2 at West Burton Monday to Thursday and then teach all of Year 3+4 each Friday morning.

Ms Collins will teach year 5-6 every morning at Askrigg (plus the WB Year 5+6 on Fridays)

Mrs Harrison (supported by Mrs Eastwood for the duration of the EHT maternity leave) will teach Year 1+2 at the Bainbridge base.

Mrs Johnston and Mrs Loughlin will teach Nursery and Reception at Bainbridge.

During this term there a number of decisions to be made on the nature of some of the contracts and indeed appointing permanent staff into a number of posts.

Support staff will remain as is for the present time.

As a federation of 3 schools we are passionate about ensuring each of our pupils have the best possible education in our schools. Our intention is to provide a 21st Century education that supports all your children to becoming confident citizens in the ever changing wider world.

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