



Dear parents and friends,
 We had a lovely start to the week with our trip to Beamish, the children's behaviour was exemplary and it was great to have KS1 and KS2 children of the Federation together again, experiencing further curriculum enrichment.

Beamish visit

Miss Collins writes: *'Our children took a step back in time on Monday and were able to see for themselves how people lived in Victorian times. Whether investigating a tragic mining accident, scratching their ABC's onto blackboards or stirring gruel for the family breakfast, our children had a fabulous time and - without exception - were impeccably well-behaved. I just want to say a massive thank you to all the staff who worked so hard to make this visit such a success and to the PTFA who paid for the children's admission fees.'*

Baby Harper



.....now has a name, welcome to the world **Eloise Grace Harper**. Mum and baby are now settled at home and we're looking forward to seeing them both very soon.

New starters

It has been lovely to meet the new nursery starters this week, we hope they have enjoyed their sessions with us. We have been incredibly proud of the older EYFS children helping them and being excellent role models.

Science Day – Friday 16 March

Mrs Robinson writes: *BAWB schools joined for an interesting day last Friday with Key Stage 1 and Foundation children at Bainbridge and all of Key Stage 2 at Askrigg.*

Key Stage 1 baked cakes but omitted a key ingredient to see if it really made a difference – no flour in one batch, no butter in another, no eggs and no sugar! One batch was made with all the ingredients. At the end of the day these were shown to West Burton KS2 children, some of the cakes looked a bit strange. However, they all were eaten by the children who made them.

Key Stage 2 spent time investigating a number of questions: how far paper could travel propelled by air from balloons, could plastic really be made from milk, and whether or not our breakfast cereal is really fortified with iron.

We found out that the cereal really did have iron in it – Elsie was surprised at how it looked, tiny grey specks in a clump on the magnet.

*Grace found the paper experiment tricky as the balloons kept deflating and the pump broke!
 Josie found it really surprising that you could make an early form of plastic out of milk but it did make a horrible smell.*

The children really enjoyed the 'hands on' science day and the variety of experiments to try.

Silver Smarties A message from PTFA: *'Please can everyone who has taken part in our Silver Smarties challenge return their filled/partially filled tubes back to school next week by Wednesday 28th March. Thank you.'*

Decorated Egg Competition



Please remember to bring your eggs to the school at which you are taught on Monday or Tuesday next week. Adults are egg-couraged to enter too! Please make sure your name is on the bottom of the egg – it would be awful if we didn't know who the winner was! Prizes will be awarded at the celebration assemblies next week.

Celebration Assemblies – Next Thursday

The end of term assembly for Askrigg and Bainbridge will be at Bainbridge School at 8:50am next Thursday morning and at 2:50pm at West Burton. Parents are very welcome to join us.

After School Cycling – Will be on Next Week

The cycling club will still operate next week – weather permitting.

Please remember warm clothing and gloves!

After School Clubs Next Week – Sports and Yoga – Cancelled

After School Sports at both West Burton and Askrigg will not be on next week, yoga at Askrigg will also be cancelled. Clubs will re-start the second week back after Easter ie. week commencing 23rd April.

After School Clubs – Sign Up Sheet



The form accompanies this letter for you to indicate if your child would like to take part in a particular club. Some clubs have limited membership and places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

****Please note that membership will not be assumed. If your child would like to continue with a club we do need you to complete the form please.**



Yoga Provision

We are delighted to be able to tell you that we will be offering yoga to all key stage two children next term, as part of

their PE curriculum. The key stage one children have thoroughly enjoyed their lessons with Nic this term and it has been wonderful to see their skills and confidence grow.

The after school club will also continue at Askrigg for KS2 children. Please use the attached form to sign up for the club.

Sport Relief

Thank you to Mrs Fawcett and the school council for organising our sport relief fundraising day. From hockey players to ballerinas, it has been great to see the children



(and staff!) put so much effort and enthusiasm into supporting this charity. The donations are still being counted and we will let you know next week exactly how much we raised.

Parent Consultations at Bainbridge and West Burton

Just a reminder that they are next week and appointment times are being sent home with the newsletter today.

*Please ensure you look through the **lost property table** on parents evening at Bainbridge on Tues 27th to reclaim any missing clothing*

Welcome to Our Federation

Following a successful interview yesterday, we are delighted to let you know that Mrs Leanne Middleton will be joining our Early Years team at Bainbridge after Easter. We are looking forward to the exciting outdoor learning activities that she will deliver to small groups of children.

Weekly Class Attendance	
Class 2 @ Bainbridge – Mrs Harrison	92.4%
Class 3 @ Askrigg – Mr Billingham	93.1%
Class 4 @ Askrigg – Miss Collins	93.3%
Class 1 @ West Burton – Mrs Williams	100%
Class 2 @ West Burton – Mrs Robinson	95%

This Week's Awards from the Headteacher	
Headteacher's Award, Bainbridge	Eidur Pickard-Sparne
Headteacher's Award, Askrigg	Harvey Kirkbride
Headteacher's Award, West Burton	Abigail Wood
Best Class Attendance	Mrs Williams
Tidiest Classroom Award	Mrs Eastwood

We hope you have a lovely weekend
Eleanor Harrison and Maxine Price



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 Askrigg's log books.

March 9th 1894: *'Almost the whole of our children are either suffering from severe colds or are more seriously ill. scarletina has not disappeared. Less than half of our scholars have been able to attend and of those some were really unfit to be present.'*

March 16th 1894: *'There has been no improvement in the condition of the children during the week. Several new cases of scarletina are reported and today we have received notice from the Medical Officer to close school for a fortnight. Last weekend a stove was placed in the large room. This has proved a great improvement – the children being more comfortable owing to the increased temperature.'*



West Burton's Newsflash

On Monday, KS1 and KS2 from BAWB went to Beamish. We learnt about a boy called James White, and found out how he died. He was 12 years old when he died, his father died in the war so it was just him, his mother and two sisters. His mother could choose to move out of the house and live on the street or send him to work down in the coalmines. He was nine when he went down the mine.

Y3/4 went down the drift mine and Anna is going to tell us about it; "We saw an iron machine that grinded the coal into smaller chunks and then when we went on to the next thing they turned off the lights. It was cold, wet and dark. You can get very ill working in the coalmines and people died every five minutes in a mine in Britain."

On Thursday, the Songbirds Grace, Anna, Elsie, Thomasina, Chloe, Maeve, Kirsty and Olivia sang three songs at the Tournament of song: Seven feet of Snow, Room to Grow and a peace blessing. We got a high score of 83.

Class one went to the Tournament of Song on Friday.

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!!!

Grace Dent Y6 and Anna Dent Y4



EYFS News



This week we have welcomed our New Starters who will be joining us after Easter. They have fitted in beautifully forming friendships and enjoying our rich curriculum inside and out. It has been delightful to see older brothers and sisters taking care of them and enjoying their company. Although to be honest they have needed very little encouragement to get stuck in.

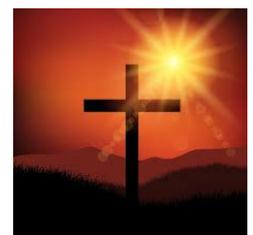
We have been making textured bunnies and symmetrical Easter eggs that will be in our Easter shop next week. Did I mention the bird feeders last week? They are full of lard, cheese, raisins and bird seed, all to help our wildlife in this challenging weather.

We have explored the Easter story and talked about lots of things that Christians do to celebrate Easter. We have looked at how there are sad and happy parts to the story. The children have asked some poignant and challenging questions and have learnt that sometimes an answer is not easy to find. They also know that not everyone celebrates Easter.

The children are especially bubbly and active today as they are dressed for Sport Relief. A super selection of sports and quite a few medals too. Mrs. Loughlin has her GNR medal on! This just shows the level of fitness required for teaching in Early Years!

We have been practising for our performance on Friday at the Tournament. Mrs Loughlin says it's the taking part that is important and has pointed out the many areas of EYFS curriculum that is covered through learning and performing the songs. Mrs Johnston really wants us to win even though Mrs. Loughlin has done all the hard work. But really they will all be triumphant as they stand there and perform with the audience enjoying every moment. We do hope that as many of you as possible will be able to come and watch.

Have a happy weekend. We are really looking forward to next week as our Easter celebrations hit full power.





Askrigg's Junior Reporters' Column

Beamish and Sport Relief

This week has been full of excitement. BAWB have been exploring the Beamish outdoor museum and have also dressed up as sporty people for sport relief.

Beamish

On Monday, the children from BAWB went to Beamish. It was very exciting. Everybody liked the journey. Lenny said, "It was fun and I enjoyed the murder mystery."

The murder mystery was at the pit village. A young boy called James White had died after a mining accident and we had to find out why. It was based on a real story. Eidur said, "I really enjoyed it and my favourite bit was the murder activity."

We all enjoyed learning about the life of Victorian children.



Sport Relief

On Thursday, everyone came dressed as a sportsman or sportswomen. People came as Winter Olympics competitors, footballers, rugby players and other fantastic sports people.

For example, Jack Dalton came as a snowboarder, Rosie was a gymnast, Rosalyn was a rugby player and Ralph came as a footballer.

By Jack Dalton and Rosie Bergs



Community News

Upper Wensleydale Sunday School

25th March 16.00 Gayle Chapel

1st April 06.00 Daybreak service at Semerwater – wrap up warm

BAINBRIDGE NEWS

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ASKRIGG NEWS

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Askrigg Waxworks

Please do remember to come along on Friday to see living waxworks and hear about what the Y5/6 have been learning about historical characters. The waxworks will be in the hall from 1:45pm.

West Burton School 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		Cycle Club (from 26.2.18) – 3:30pm – 4:30pm	
Tuesday		After School Sports – Mr Bullock 3.30pm to 4.30pm	Tuesday Team
Wednesday			
Thursday		Chess Club – Mr Oliver – lunchtime Yoga – after school – Nic Scarr	After School Sports – Mr Bullock 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Friday			The Songbirds 3.30pm

Date	Bainbridge	Askrigg	West Burton
26.3.18	After School Cycling – will be on		
w/c 26.3.18	After School Sports and Yoga - Cancelled		
27.3.18	Last swimming session – KS2		
27.3.18	Decorated eggs to school for judging (one egg per person to the school where you are taught)		
28.3.18	Silver Smarties – please return to school		
29.3.18	Askrigg Waxworks – 1:45pm at School		
30.3.18 – 12.4.18	Easter Holidays		
13.4.18 and 16.4.18	Training Days		
17.4.18	School re-opens		
w/c 17.4.18	No After School Clubs		
24.4.18	Great North Air Ambulance Bags 2 School Collection: Askrigg 9am; Bainbridge 9:30am; West Burton 10:15am		
Tuesdays from 24.4.18	Reception, Y1 and Y2 swimming		
15.5.18	Parents' Forum – 7pm – Askrigg School		
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
3.7.18	Last swimming session for Reception, Y1 and Y2		