



Dear Parents and Friends,

Another busy and exciting week in the BAWB Federation. Federation Friday went well last week (despite a slightly late departure from West Burton to Askrigg which we have ironed out for this week); it was interesting and heartening to hear the feedback from new children and new members of staff about the positive atmosphere created by the new groups on Fridays. Mrs Harrison and Mr Scrafton inform me that their Federation Friday class is called 'Herons' on account of having seen one on their first day.



- Y3/4 at Askrigg (Mr Greenway) is called Curlews
- Y5/6 at Askrigg (Miss Collins) is called Kingfishers

Medical Forms

Please can we remind you to complete and return your child's medical information form or inhaler form where appropriate and return to school with your child's medication? We are not permitted to administer medication without written permission and cannot use out-of-date medicines. The relevant forms are available in all of our school offices.



New Classes and Prospective Parents

It has been exciting to show some prospective parents round West Burton this week and to showcase the work of our three schools. Feedback from our children, parents, and staff has been really positive about the new classes – thank you all for your help and support.

Pencil Cases

Just a reminder that we ask that children do not bring their own pencil cases from home as doing so in the past caused quite a few issues amongst our children (competing for the best 'designer' pencil case, arguing about 'fairness', etc). Please be assured that we provide all necessary stationery – you do not have to buy any for school use. Many thanks for your support.



Fountain Pens at West Burton

Mrs Robinson was passionate about the use of fountain pens and supported the children in her class to use them. Miss Collins has now made the decision to use the same handwriting pens that are used across our federation (supplied by school). This was raised at parent forum last night where some parents were happy that ink stains would no longer be a problem. Some of the KS2 children of Skylarks class will still carry the legacy of being able to use a fountain pen – a very much disappearing skill. Thank you for understanding and supporting this change.



Parent Forum Feedback



Thank you to those of you who attended our Parent Forum on Wednesday evening; it was a pleasure to attend and I will happily do so when requested. Our written responses to the issues raised will be available shortly.

BRAND NEW PTFA - Inaugural Meeting...

It is really exciting to anticipate the work of the brand new BAWB PTFA and there is much enthusiasm amongst the parent communities of all three schools. I understand that the first key event will be the Hoppers' Sale in early November – a massive fundraising opportunity. To this end, you are



encouraged to come along to the first meeting of the new group where its structure will be discussed as well as some of the exciting opportunities ahead of us. Please do come along if only to listen and find out a bit more about a PTFA – any involvement is entirely at your discretion and coming to this meeting will not commit you to anything.

Tuesday 1st October, 7:00pm, Aysgarth Falls Hotel.

Draft Christmas Dates

It's possibly a little early to mention Christmas but, for the sake of your diaries, we have provisionally put the following dates into our calendar for productions:



- Monday 9th Dec – West Burton
- Tuesday 10th December – Bainbridge / Askrigg
- Wednesday 11th December – Bainbridge / Askrigg

Homework Club

From next week, children at Askrigg and West Burton will have the opportunity to attend a regular homework club on a Thursday lunchtime. This optional club was introduced at Askrigg last year and proved very popular. It provides children with an opportunity to work on their homework in a quiet, supervised environment where they can access help from a teacher, if needed. The club will be run by Mr Billingham at Askrigg and Miss Collins at West Burton. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions.



House Captains

The KS2 children at West Burton have taken part in a democratic election to determine their house captains for the year. This involved those who would like to stand writing to their peers outlining a 'manifesto' or pledge. The children then voted using a secret ballot and the outcome is as follows:



	Otters	Red Squirrels	Dormice
West Burton	Erin	Chloe	Ben C

Lovely for the children to explore the British Value of 'democracy' and to have a hands-on experience of our election process. I am led to understand that the process was decidedly more dignified than current parliamentary activity. Well done children! This election will now be replicated at Bainbridge / Askrigg and we are also talking about ways to raise the profile of the role of 'house captain'. Any ideas welcome.

Milk



We are currently in the process of updating all the ParentPay records. As part of that process we need to update our lists of children **over 5** years old that would like milk who do not already take it, or if your child has been having milk and no longer wishes to. Please contact any of our school offices to let us know of anyone wanting/no longer wanting milk. The charge for milk is £1 per week. Children under 5 years old do not pay for milk.

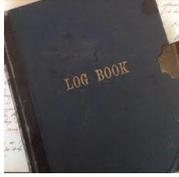
Weekly Class Attendance	
Robins @ Bainbridge (YR only) – Mrs Johnston / Mrs Loughlin	100%
Owls @ Bainbridge – Mrs Harrison	98.3%
Golden Eagles @ Askrigg – Mr Billingham	100%
Merlins @ Askrigg – Mr Greenway	96.4%
Swallows @ West Burton – Mr Scrafton	100%
Skylarks @ West Burton – Miss Collins	92.9%

This week's awards from the Headteacher:	
Headteacher's Award, Bainbridge	Scarlet
Headteacher's Award, Askrigg	Willis
Headteacher's Award, West Burton	Callum
Tidiest Classroom Award	Merlins
Best Class Attendance	Robins, Swallows, Golden Eagles,

We hope you have a lovely weekend!

Charlotte Harper and Eleanor Harrison

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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 **Askrigg's** log books.

29th August 1913

The heat this week has been trying to all in school. After 10am the thermometer has never been below 70' and has at times reached 80'.

4th September 1979

The Autumn term has started. Three children, all rising fives have been admitted to the infant class. Number on Role: 57.

7th September 1944

I, Rose McClurg, terminate my engagement as Head-Mistress today.



West Burton's Newsflash

Elections

On Wednesday, we held an election at school for the role of house captain. Year 5 and 6 had to write speeches to convince people to vote for them. They had to read their speeches in front of the school and then we all cast our votes. Mrs Fawcett had made a polling booth and a ballot box! Erin, Chloe and Ben got the most votes and are the house captains for Otters, Red Squirrels and Dormice.

Mr Scrafton said, "It was very exciting to take part in the elections: our politicians could learn something from the students at West Burton!"

It was very nerve-wracking but quite a few people were brave enough to do it. This is a quote from Erin: "I was so nervous when I was standing at the front of the hall because I had never done anything like it before but I was so astonished when I found out I was house captain!"

This is a quote from Miss Collins: "I was really impressed by the quality of the candidates' speeches. Very professional! It was nerve-wracking for them but they handled it well and, in my opinion, they all deserved to win."

It has been a busy week at West Burton but everyone has a smile! Year 3 & 4 are looking forward to meeting their new Federation Friday teacher (Mr Greenway) again tomorrow, he is really nice.

That's all from us!

By Erin and Abigail, Skylarks



Hello Everybody!

Another week has flown past and as always we have packed plenty in. We have started blending some sounds – m, s, a, t, d and our letter formation is developing well. We have been exploring straight and curved edges and we have managed to cut down changing into PE kit to 20 minutes!! Please keep practising getting dressed at home and we shall continue to update you with our timings - exciting news to look forward to every week I'm sure!

We have been camping and concreting in our role plays. I mean why keep the sand in the sand tray when you can spread it all around or build walls and barbeques with it. There are unicorns everywhere inside of all shapes and colours. Some of us are starting to label them which is great.

The new starters are just delightful and it is so fabulous to look at our setting again through the eyes of a three year old that has just arrived. They love it, simply love it! They are investigating so many different resources with joy and wonder.

Some children have been focusing on the garden this week. The carrots have been dug up and we are hoping to grate them into coleslaw. We have harvested much of the mint that has rather taken over and had some mint tea. The sunflowers look beautiful but the children have noticed they are changing. The odd petal has fallen off, they are covered in insects and the heads are starting to change colour. I wonder

how many seeds we will get? And yes, we have had a red tomato. Just the one, the size of a marble but it is still very exciting and we could make the green ones into piccalilli if they don't ripen. Finally, it is with great pride and admiration that we mention Jack Baldwin and his mum, Mrs Baldwin (our Early Years TA). Last weekend they ran the 5k Great North Run. Jack has been training and raising awareness of Mowbray School where he is a Y11 pupil. On the day, spurred on by crowds and determination, he cut his best time down from 1 hour to 35 minutes!! Well done Jack for raising so much money for your school and well done mum for keeping up! Have a fab weekend – there are rumours of pleasant weather, fingers crossed and we look forward to Monday. Love Robins xxx



Askrigg's Journalism Column

Round the world reading challenge.

Last week we started the round the world reading challenge. So far everyone is on the Yorkshire Dales. This year the challenges are very hard. The year 6's have to read a Philip Pullman book. This year we are all trying to get to the end after last year when there was only 1 person who finished it. The challenge has begun!

Music.

On Monday KS2 at Askrigg did music with Mr. Greenway. We did the penguin dance. We had to: flap our right arm, flap left arm, flap our right leg, flap our left leg, bob our head, stick our tongue out and go around in circles. We sang: "Penguins attention! Penguins begin! Right flipper! Left flipper! Right leg! Left leg! Bob your head! Stick your tongue out! Turn around!"

RE.

In RE we made posters about good causes like Christian Aid and Islamic Relief. We learnt about different things that are happening and how they affect people. Then we did a challenge where we had £600,000 to donate towards the causes.

By Lara and Ros, Merlins

ASKRIGG NEWS

Askrigg VC Primary School, Yorebridge, Askrigg,
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Found: Askrigg PE kit bag containing shorts (age 7-10) and t-shirt (9-10). No name! Contact school if you think it belongs to your child.

Community News

Harvest Flower Festival – Saturday 21 September

On Saturday 21 September from 10am – 5pm St Andrew's Church at Aysgarth will be holding a Harvest Flower Festival. There will be various stalls and entrance is free. From 2pm – 4pm there will be a free session of kid's fun and games at the Falls Café. You might even win the fancy dress competition if you go dressed as a scarecrow!

Bainbridge Junior Badminton Club

Starts Tuesday 17 September, 6pm – 7pm at Bainbridge Village Hall. Anyone aged 7 years or above welcome. Any questions, contact Stephen Peacock on 01969 650465 or 07969491251.

Hawes United Junior Football Club

Training has started again on The Community Fields, Hawes from 6.15pm-7.15pm. We welcome anyone from aged 5 years & above. Any questions, contact Donna Peacock (secretary) on 01969 650465 or 07891 323078.

Family Fun Day – 29 September

At Hawes Community Fields we are holding a Family Fun Day to celebrate the UCI championships coming through the town on Sun 29th September. We are also having a big screen as well as all the things advertised on the attached poster.

Upper Wensleydale Sunday School Services

15 Sept	16:00	Sunday School, St Matthew's, Stalling Busk
22 Sept	10:30	Family Together Harvest Praise, St Oswald's, Askrigg
29 Sept	15:00	Harvest Praise at St Mary and St John's, Hardraw
6 Oct	10.30	The Gathering, St Margaret's, Hawes
13 Oct	10:30	Harvest Praise, St Margaret's, Hawes
20 Oct	16:00	Sunday School, St Matthew's, Stalling Busk
27 Oct	10:30	Family Together Praise, St Oswald's, Askrigg
03 Nov	10.30	The Gathering, St Margaret's, Hawes
10 Nov	16:00	Sunday School, St Matthew's, Stalling Busk
17 Nov	16.00	Sunday School, Gayle Chapel
24 Nov	10:30	Family Together Praise, St Oswald's, Askrigg

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	Craft Club
Tuesday		After School Sports	
Wednesday			
Thursday		Homework Club (Lunchtime)	Homework Club (Lunchtime) After School Sports
Friday			Songbirds
Date	Bainbridge	Askrigg	West Burton
10.9.19 – 19.11.19	KS2 Swimming Lessons, Richmond Leisure Centre		
11.9.19	Parent Forum, 7pm, Bainbridge		
24.9.19	KS2 Tag Rugby - TBC		
01.10.19	Inaugural PTFA Meeting, Aysgarth Falls Hotel, 7:00pm		
9.10.19	Individual School Photos		
28.10.19	BREAK FOR HALF TERM		
9.12.19			Christmas Production
10.12.19	Christmas Production	Christmas Production	
11.12.19	Christmas Production	Christmas Production	