



Dear parents and friends,

A busy week in school as ever as we head pretty quickly towards Easter. Still lots of exciting things coming up in the next few weeks: The Wensleydale Tournament, Castle Bolton trip, Level 2 Netball...

Spelling Bee – Well done Chloe and Ellie!

Congratulations to Chloe and Ellie who represented our federation with such talent and an excellent attitude at this week's Round 2 Swaledale Alliance Spelling Bee. The girls qualified in our internal competition on our last BAWB day and therefore became our representative team on Wednesday this week, competing against the pupils of 5 other schools. The teams were strong and the competition was stiff and Chloe and Ellie fought hard into the final knockout round where they were narrowly defeated. They had clearly put tremendous effort into learning the spellings from the Y5/6 list and we are extremely proud of them. Thanks girls! Congratulations to Masham, East Cowton and Aiskew Leeming Bar who go through to the grand final and thank you to Mr Billingham for organising a very slick competition, supported by excellent audio/visual technologies.



Cross Country

Last week our children entered the cross-country event at Catterick races and were fantastic. Special congratulations to the following children who placed in the top 20 of their races:

- Charlotte Madley (3rd)
- Rosalyn Civil (7th)
- Anna Dent (11th)
- Chloe Dent (12th)
- Jack Dalton (19th)

Both Charlotte and Rosalyn qualify for the next regional round in Dalby Forest – very well done!



Bolton Castle Trip - Monday 20th

Just a reminder to send children with water bottles a waterproof coat and suitable footwear and a small rucksack to carry their packed lunch in.

Y6s – Extra Homework!

Parents of Y6 children will have noticed some additional homework over the last couple of weeks which will continue in the lead-up to SATs. We always endeavour to keep our children relaxed and comfortable about any assessments and our Y6 children currently have a positive and determined attitude towards doing their best – keep it up children! Irrespective of any personal opinions on testing in primary schools, these assessments are an important part of our children's education; the results of which also form our school's data picture on which the Ofsted judgement about pupil outcomes is based. Our children are also learning important lessons about hard-work, resilience and commitment to their own learning. The new curriculum is challenging and the new 'expected standard' has really raised the bar. With the right support and guidance (and a bit of additional focus at this time of year) our children should be well-prepared to meet these expectations. I appreciate your support as we make sure that our children are as prepared as possible and are fully committed to their own achievement. Thank you.

Parents' Forum

Thank you to those of you who attended the parents' forum meeting this week and to Georgina Pickard-Sparne for chairing. Mrs Alderson is currently writing up the minutes and then I will respond in the usual way (thank you Mrs Alderson for taking minutes).

Y3/4 Tennis at The Wensleydale School

Well done to the Y3/4 children who competed in the tennis competition on Tuesday this week. You made it through to the semi-final and were a credit to your schools – well done!



Level 2 Netball Competition

Congratulations to the netball team who came second in our cluster event and will now go on to compete in the Level 2 competition stage (Charlotte, Riley, Jack Dalton, Luke, Marko, Elysa). This will take place

on the afternoon of Wednesday 22nd March and Mr Billingham will be accompanying them. Good luck!

Science for Y5/6 Pupils – Thank you to The Wensleydale School

Our Y5/6 pupils enjoyed a very practical science session this week, delivered by Mr Wilkinson and his team of helpers from The Wensleydale School. The pupils learned all about the planet Europa and how to get a probe there to analyse it. They also learned how the oceans are analysed. They covered the topics of forces, materials and the solar system. Mr Wilkinson reports that our children asked some very well-informed and sophisticated questions, saying that "we must be doing a good job"! Nice to hear and well done children for your scientific enquiry.

Y3 Gymnastics

Mr Billingham writes: 'On Tuesday 21st March, the children in Y3 will be travelling to Middleham School to take part in a Cluster Gymnastics event. The Y4 children will work with their peers at West Burton whilst Mr Billingham accompanies the Y3 children. The event runs from 9:30am – 11:30 am and we will return in time for lunch.'

PTFA Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes are now available on the school websites.

BAWB Easter Egg Decorating Competition

Mrs Reilly writes: 'It is that time of year again to get all egggy and creative with the annual Easter Egg Decorating Competition. Please bring your decorated boiled egg into the school at which you are taught on the 3rd April (just one egg per person). Please put the child's or adult's name, along with the class, on the bottom of each creation. A winner will be selected from each class and there will be a prize for the adult winner too (parents and teachers included!). Winners will be announced on the 7th April at the Bainbridge and Askrigg joint assembly in the morning, and at West Burton assembly in the afternoon.'



Recycle Stamps and Save Guinea Pigs

Jack Dinsdale and Pjeter Uca, School Council representatives, write: 'We are collecting old stamps that the Sarnia Guinea pig Rescue home will turn into funds so that they can look after unwanted or neglected Guinea pigs in Guernsey, Jersey and the UK. Please bring or send your old stamps to our schools so we can help the Guinea pigs.'

Red Noses...

...will be on sale in each school from Monday at a cost of £1 each.

Red Nose Day ...

... is next Friday – come to school in your pyjamas if you wish!



Weekly Class Attendance	
Class 2 @ Bainbridge – Mrs Harrison	100%
Class 3 @ Askrigg – Mr Billingham	100%
Class 4 @ Askrigg – Miss Collins	95.6%
Class 1 @ West Burton – Miss Richardson	100%
Class 2 @ West Burton – Mrs Robinson	94%

This Week's Awards from the Headteacher:	
Headteacher's Award, Bainbridge	Ellie Peacock and Chloe Cumpstone-Steward
Headteacher's Award, Askrigg	Roland Hodgson
Headteacher's Award, West Burton	Ryan Hewitson-Wheeler
Best Class Attendance	CI 2 BB, CI 3 Ask, CI 1 WB
Tidiest Classroom Award	Mrs Robinson

Have a relaxing 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 West Burton's log book.

March 20, 1902: Taught the song "Love at Home" this afternoon. Children getting more confidence in their singing.

March 17, 1933: The attendance for the week has only reached 42.4% owing to the whooping cough epidemic.



West Burton's Newsflash

On Tuesday Year 3 & 4 went to a tennis tournament at the Wensleydale School. Also on Thursday Year 5 & 6 from all of the BAWB schools went to Askrigg and a special guest from the Wensleydale School was there. We did awesome science experiments including fire, water and heavy weights. We all really enjoyed it.

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!!!!

By Luke Dent , Marko Jones and Ryan Hewitson -Wheeler



More marvellous mud. More marvellous maths. Add to this a generous helping of sun and wind plus a splash of

rain. Consistently mix in some phonics with vigorous beating to produce writing of different types. This was the main dish of the week accompanied by a starter of singing and swimming followed by exciting National Science Week activities for dessert.

Sounds tasty doesn't it?

We have also snacked on building traps for baddies and the occasional Power Rangers game.

A very full menu where no one goes hungry.



Askrigg's Junior Reporters' Column...

Race Course and Swimming

On Thursday last week we went to Catterick Racecourse for cross country races. Everyone did very well and Charlotte came 3rd in her race and Rosalyn came 7th in hers. Jack Dalton also did very well and came 19th.

Charlotte said, "I was very pleased when I got 3rd place and I could not wait to tell everyone."

Poppy said, "I liked running in the race and joining in."

SWIMMING IS BACK!

We have not had swimming for two weeks, but now it's back! A broken tile stopped us from swimming. Stage 2 and 3 were assessed this week.

"I was excited that swimming was back on," quoted Jack Dinsdale.

By Fredric & Jack Dinsdale Y5

BAINBRIDGE NEWS

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ASKRIGG NEWS

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IMPORTANT - Swimming – Wednesday 22nd March – Pyjamas Required!

Please can the swimmers who are in the top group of the training pool bring a pair of pyjamas with them next week for their lesson?

Red Nose Day Lunch at Askrigg

Next Friday Gillian will be cooking Red Nose Pizza, served with chips and vegetable sticks, and Red Nose Cake. If your child usually has packed lunch they are welcome to join us for school lunch that day. The cost is £2.10 per child, payable on Parentpay. Please let Kath know on Monday if your child would like Red Nose Lunch.

Cooking Club – CANCELLED NEXT WEEK (23rd March)

Unfortunately Gillian is unable to run cooking club next week as she has to attend a cook's meeting as part of her role as school cook. The next session will be 30th March.

WEST BURTON NEWS

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Sarnia Guinea Pig Rescue has requested our assistance to help any unwanted or neglected guinea pigs in Guernsey, Jersey and the UK. They are raising money by recycling postage stamps. Whether they are British or overseas, new or used, the stamps will be turned into funds that will allow them to care for the animals that call Sarnia Guinea Pig Rescue home. Please bring in any stamps to school so that we can help.



Community News

Upper Wensleydale Sunday School

Bainbridge Methodist Chapel – 19th March 4.00pm – Messy Church

Askrigg Church for Mothering Sunday – 26th March – 10.30am

Stage 1 Cycles - Bike Clubs - Spring Restart

Stage 1 writes: *'Ready to get those bikes out after a winter shed? Our cycling groups restart Saturday 18th March. In collaboration with Wensleydale Sport and Fitness we run two children session on Saturday.*

Under 10yrs 10 am-12 Hawes: *Starting from our shop at the National Park Centre we run a traffic free session for children who can pedal independently. Lots of games and fun activities. £2.50, bikes available to borrow. Please get in touch if you are a first time rider or need to borrow a bike.*

10yrs and overs 5pm-6pm Hawes: *Starting from locations around Wensleydale an instructor led mountain bike session following local trails. Suitable for confident cyclists with a good level of fitness. £2.50 Please get in touch if you are a first time rider.*

For further information and bookings please get in touch Helen, Stage 1 Cycles, Hawes 01969 666873 ride@stage1cycles.co.uk

Wensleydale's Best Mum

We sent a flyer last week about a competition being run by Milners of Leyburn, to find Wensleydale's best Mum. If you would prefer you can apply online at <https://goo.gl/forms/gYrrvNkAu68F5Kpp2> The closing date is 25th March 2017.

Penhill Poachers

Starring our own Mrs Chapman, the Penhill Poachers are playing at Thornton Rust Institute on Saturday 25 March at 7pm. Tickets are £13 and include supper. There will be a licensed bar. To book call Sue on 663504.

Save The Date – Hawes and District Gala Committee 24th June 2017

Save the date leaflets are being sent home today for your information. The Hawes and District Gala is taking place on Saturday 24th June 2017 – it is a great day for all the family.

Dates For Your Diary Please note that purple shading indicates collaborative events.

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			
Tuesday		Cross Country – Mr Bullock – lunchtime After School Sports – Mr Bullock 3.30pm to 4.30pm	Tuesday Team - 3:15pm – 4:30pm <i>7th, 14th, 21st and 28th March.</i>
Wednesday	Sports Club - Lunchtime		
Thursday	Thursday Thinkers 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm once monthly: 26 th Jan; 16 th Feb; 30 th March; 27 th April; 25 th May; 29 th June; 20 th July	Chess club – Lunchtime Choir - Lunchtime Modelling Club (Y4-6) - 3:30pm – 4:30pm Cookery (Y1-Y6) – 3:30pm – 4:30pm	After School Sports – Mr Bullock 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Friday			

Date	Bainbridge	Askrigg	West Burton
11.1.17 – 22.3.17	Swimming starts – 10 weeks – last session on 22.3.17.		
20.3.17	Dungeons and Dragons – Visit to Castle Bolton – All BAWB including Nursery		
21.3.17	Y3 Gymnastics at Middleham		
23.3.17	Cooking Club at Askrigg - Cancelled		
24.3.17	Red Nose Day		
27.3.17	2BAP session for parents – Bainbridge School – 9:30am		
27.3.17	Reception and Y6 Height and Weight Screening / Reception Vision Screening		
29.3.17			Reception and Y6 Height and Weight Screening / Reception Vision Screening / Y1 Audio Screening
3.4.17	Great North Air Ambulance bags 2 School Collection - A 9am; B 9:30am; WB 10:15am		
5.4.17	Last Swimming Session		
7.4.17	Break up for Easter Holidays		
24.4.17	School re-opens		
28.4.17	Richard of Impressions – Class Photos		
3.5.17	PTFA Meeting – 8pm – Venue TBC		

Forest School Sessions

Please ensure your child has suitable clothing and footwear

March	10 th	Askrigg
	17 th	No Forest School
	24 th	West Burton
	31 st	Askrigg
April	7 th	Bainbridge