



The BAWB Federation  
 Bainbridge, Askrigg, and West Burton Primary Schools  
 Mid-Dale Excellence in Education  
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Dear parents and friends,

It has been a very busy week in the BAWB federation, as ever, as our children have been busy with autumn-term assessments and (dare I mention it) I have heard some evidence of preparation for our Christmas productions. Do not worry – we keep our fingers tightly on the pulse regarding our children’s learning!



**Young Mathematicians’ Award**

It was a pleasure and privilege to be out of school on Wednesday with our Young Mathematicians taking part in the regional leg of this national competition in Burnley (organised by ‘Explore Learning’). It was a fantastic day: our children represented our schools impeccably and they worked hard as a team to solve a challenging maths problem that has never been seen before! The teams were marked and judged according to three criteria:

1. Ability to solve the problem; an accurate solution.
2. Ability to work effectively as a team.
3. Ability to communicate their findings and approaches to the adjudicators (in person and in writing).

We eagerly await the results next Friday and will let you know as soon as we do. Well done to Rosie Bergs, Jack Dalton, Ellie Peacock and Pjeter Uca! Thank you also to their mums who accompanied us on the trip and to Miss Collins for making it all possible. As adults we had a go at the problems while the children were taking part – it was really challenging and caused a bit of debate amongst us as to the best strategies to employ. I was proud of our young people, not just for their mathematical prowess, but for their behaviour and conduct on the day.

**Congratulations...**

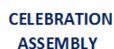
...to Miss Collins who has passed NPQML (National Professional Qualification for Middle Leadership). Miss Collins’s development of maths across our federation, focussing particularly on the development growth mindsets and quality first teaching (problem solving and reasoning), has had a powerful impact on our children’s learning and progress. Well done Miss Collins!

**Assessment Week**

Your children have worked hard this week (all year groups) as they have been doing assessments in reading, maths and grammar. The grammar test was a new version this time round and has proved particularly challenging. Well done to all of the children for their hard working and dedication to learning!



**Class Teacher Swapping for Celebration Assembly**



Thank you for the excellent suggestion at parents’ forum about class teachers at Bainbridge and Askrigg swapping locations for celebration assemblies in order that they can give feedback in person to and about

pupils they have chosen for ‘pupil of the week’. To start this off, we will be doing the following:

- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Mrs Harrison at Askrigg; Mr Billingham at Bainbridge.
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November – Miss Collins at Bainbridge; Mrs Loughlin at Askrigg.

**Children in Need Day – Next Friday**

Ben Alderson School Council Chairman writes: ‘We are going to be doing some activities for Children in Need day on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November in all three schools (West Burton, Askrigg and Bainbridge). We are going to be selling wristbands (£1) and keyrings (£2). We will start selling on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November. However, you can only buy one keyring or wristband - not both! You need to buy it at the school where you are taught. On Children in Need Day, all children can also dress in their pyjamas if they bring in £1 donation. We are going to make Pudsey eye patches in school.’

**Swimming in the Spring Term**

We have been reviewing swimming provision for our children. The national curriculum requires children to be able to swim 25m **with an effective stroke** by the end of KS2. As you can imagine it is tricky to accommodate all our



children within the pool at any one time. For this reason, we have decided to take KS2 only in the spring term.

We are also currently looking in to the possibility of taking KS1 in the summer term and will share arrangements when they are confirmed. We have obviously tried to find a way to meet curriculum requirements most effectively and apologise for any disappointment for the spring term.

**Mrs Greenslade...**

...has sadly made the decision to pursue more hours in her other job and will be leaving the Bainbridge team this term. We are pleased to be able to say that Mrs Raven (currently working in the office at West Burton) will be taking on additional hours at Bainbridge, rather than us recruiting a new member to the team. This will not affect the number of hours that each office is manned, though will affect the pattern at West Burton and Bainbridge. We will share the office timetables with you when we have finalised these arrangements. Thank you so much to Mrs Greenslade who has brought so much expertise and commitment to our federation and we wish her and her family all the best with all their plans for the future.

**Planning for my Maternity Cover**

Our chair of governors and I will be attending a meeting with the LA and diocese next week to further explore concrete options for my leave (starting in the spring term). We will keep you informed as more details are confirmed.

**Nursery Open Evening**

Those of you who have children starting in our nursery in January will already have received confirmation about your child’s taster mornings coming soon. Please also remember that there will be an information evening at Bainbridge at 4pm on Tuesday 21st November.



**PTFA Christmas Fair**

Kate Bell writes: “The PTFA Christmas Fair is being held on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November from 10-2pm at Askrigg Village Hall. Fun for all the family with a range of stalls, raffle, chocolate tombola, face painting and more. A Mince Pie and drink is included in the entry price for adults, children (U16) are free. We are still looking for donations including: CAKE STALL - Donations of cakes and biscuits to sell. CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA - The famous chocolate tombola is back! Chocolate donations of any type. BRIC A BRAC - There will be a bric-a-brac stall run by the children so any unwanted toys etc will be wonderful and anything that is not sold will be taken to a local charity shop. MINCE PIES - Donations of mince pies to serve with the mulled wine. Please contact Helen Dalton if you feel able to donate your time to help in any way on the day itself or if you are able to give any donations stated above they will all be gratefully received! Thank you and we hope to see you there!”

Weekly Class Attendance	
Class 2 @ Bainbridge – Mrs Harrison	100%
Class 3 @ Askrigg – Mr Billingham	96.9%
Class 4 @ Askrigg – Miss Collins	92%
Class 1 @ West Burton – Mrs Williams	100%
Class 2 @ West Burton – Mrs Robinson	94.3%

This Week’s Awards from the Headteacher	
Headteacher’s Award, Bainbridge	Ellie Peacock
Headteacher’s Award, Askrigg	Pjeter Uca, Rosie Bergs, Jack Dalton
Headteacher’s Award, West Burton	Harry Henderson-Newton
Best Class Attendance	Mrs Williams’ and Mrs Harrison’s Classes
Tidiest Classroom Award	Mrs Robinson’s Class

Have a lovely 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 Bainbridge's log book.

1876 Nov 10<sup>th</sup> The children locked me out on Monday afternoon and claimed a holiday. They said it was a gunpowder plot!  
1971 Nov 15<sup>th</sup> Soccer Askrigg vs Bainbridge. Score: Askrigg 5 Bainbridge 3



## West Burton's Newsflash

It is the Remembrance Service today and some of West Burton and our school will be attending the service at the bottom of the village at the Memorial Trough to remember those who have sadly past away fighting for us.



Class one said: We took part in a collective worship all about remembrance. Mrs Johnson lent us a beautiful story. We listened really well. We thought about those who gave so much.

**Josie Guy/Chloe Dent Y4** 😊



## Askrigg's Junior Reporters' Column...

### The Young Mathematicians' Awards

On Wednesday, four children went to Burnley for the Young Mathematicians' Awards. We were very excited as it was a big place at Burnley. The children who went to Burnley were Jack Dalton, Rosie, Ellie and Pjeter.

We were all a bit nervous. When we got there, we went into a big building where the stairs went underground. Unfortunately, we had to go upstairs so we didn't see where the underground stairs went.

In the competition room it was quite small. We were the first there so we found out where we were sitting and it had a wall in between us and another school. Just before we started we had some cake and a little drink of juice.

We had 50 minutes to do three challenges that nobody in the world has ever done before. Then we had to present our results.

We don't know whether we got through to the next round but we will find out next Friday!



By Jack Dalton and Rosie Bergs



### Two weeks of Early Years news so here we go...

Last week was mainly focussed on Halloween and Bonfire – the children have told us about all sorts of activities that they enjoyed out of school. In school they have done some firework art and mixed potions and Halloween gloop. It has been messy, sorry I mean creative and mathematical (shape, space and capacity) but it has mainly been outside. The glitter hasn't entered the indoor classroom ...yet!

Mrs. Loughlin taught the children a super Halloween song (with actions) that they performed beautifully and with obvious enjoyment. Maybe next year you could sing it when out trick or treating carol singing style. As I am sure people opening their doors would appreciate the performance. A popular book has been The Witch's Kitchen by Nick Sharrat involving choices of opening up or down, left or right and plenty of rhyming. Will you get toffee popcorn or slimy frogspawn?! Any book with goblin pee in it is bound to be a hit.

So at the end of such a busy week Mrs Johnston sat down on Sunday evening to read her glossy magazine and to her astonishment there was super article about Askrigg at Christmas with Jo and Martha starring. If you haven't seen it, it is well worth looking out for.

This week, we went to watch a wall being built in Bainbridge to fit in with our Mega Structures topic. It was a big wall. We had explanations in English and Polish telling us all about the digging, removal and rebuilding. We explored breeze blocks and local stone and learnt about reinforcing with steel rods and concrete. We watched machinery in action and then went back to build our own walls with some stone that the builders dropped off at school for us. We had palace walls, walls with gateways, ghost trap walls, tall walls, long walls. The common factor was that the children made sure they transported the stone from one end of our outdoor space to the other, using the sack barrow which had become a digger. We counted and numbered our stones. We lifted and measured our stones. We have been very careful and so far no trapped fingers but this may be because so many of the children have seen their parents walling and know what to do.

Many thanks to Stonescapes for the time they spent demonstrating and explaining the process of wall building. The children asked lots of questions and took up quite a bit of their tea break. And thanks for the stone delivery.

Next week we will get out the clay and make our own mini bricks. Think of the maths this will involve! It's just so exciting in Early Years.



## Community News

### PTFA Christmas Fair – 18<sup>th</sup> November

The PTFA Christmas Fair is on Saturday 18th November from 10am – 2pm. This is the ideal opportunity to start your Christmas shopping – please tell your friends and neighbours. There will be mulled wine, mince pies, bacon butties and delicious homemade soup.

**Penhill Children's Church – Sunday 26 November:** All welcome. Refreshments and newspapers available for parents who wish to stay. 09:30 – 11:00 in Wensley Village Hall.

**Penhill Poachers Christmas Collection:** Featuring our own Mrs Chapman, a seasonal concert of music, songs and Yuletide readings. Saturday 2 December, St Bartholomew's Church, West Witton. Doors open 7pm. Tickets £8 from Gillian – 624727 or Anne – 622307. Licensed bar.

### **Is your child interested in football?**

Every Wednesday 6.15-7.15 we have a group of kids that train on the MUGA at Askrigg. Do you fancy joining us? We currently have an under 7's and under 8's team that play local matches on Sundays but training is open to all. We are planning on holding friendly matches for the under 10's until we get enough for a team. For more information call Nick Prince on 07813350944 or come along on Wednesday night and see what we are all about.

### BAINBRIDGE NEWS

Bainbridge C of E Primary and Nursery School, Bainbridge, North  
Yorkshire, DL8 3EL  
01969 650336  
[admin@bainbridge.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@bainbridge.n-yorks.sch.uk)

### ASKRIGG NEWS

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North Yorkshire, DL8 3BJ  
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[admin@askrigg.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@askrigg.n-yorks.sch.uk)

### **200 Club**

Donna Peacock writes: 'We had the 2<sup>nd</sup> draw of the 200 club and the winners are:

1<sup>st</sup>: Jean Sleightholm - £35

2<sup>nd</sup>: Sally Stone - £25

3<sup>rd</sup>: Caroline Sunter - £20

4<sup>th</sup>: Susan Allison - £15

5<sup>th</sup>: Ben Alderson - £10

6<sup>th</sup>: Angela Keeble - £10

7<sup>th</sup>: Hollie Fleming - £10

8<sup>th</sup>: Jo Hammond - £5

The 3<sup>rd</sup> and final draw of the year will take place at Askrigg school production.'

### **KS2 Christmas Production – Change of Name and Date (and venue!)**

In order to accommodate more people, the screening of the Christmas production will be on 20<sup>th</sup> December at Askrigg Village Hall. There will be two showings, one at 1:30pm and a second at 6pm. Watch this space for more exciting information!

### **Hawes Pantomime**

Two of our pupils Ben and Willis (and also our cook Gillian) are taking part in this year's Wensleydale Theatre and Music Group's production of Dick Whittington and the Caribbean Pirates. Why not go along and support them? Performances take place at Hawes Market House on Tuesday 28th November through to Friday 1st December at 7.30 pm, with a matinee performance on Sunday 3rd December at 2pm. Tickets cost £9 for adults and £6.50 for under 12's and are now available from Hawes Community Office and Leyburn Arts Community Centre or book online at [www.wensleydalemtg.co.uk](http://www.wensleydalemtg.co.uk) Good Luck Ben, Willis and Gillian!

### Dates For Your Diary

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		Cycling – Ms Pollard – 3:30pm -4:30pm	
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
15.11.17	KS2 Visit to Allerton School		
17.11.17	Children in Need Day – Dress in Pyjamas		
Saturday 18.11.17	PTFA Christmas Fair		
11.12.17			1:30pm – Christmas Production - Baboushka
12.12.17	1:30pm – Christmas Production 'Hey Ewe!'		6pm – Christmas Production - Baboushka
13.12.17	6pm – Christmas Production 'Hey Ewe!'		
14.12.17			
19.12.17	2pm - Christmas Service at St Andrew's Aysgarth		
20.12.17		1:30pm and 6pm – KS2 Christmas Production 'A Wensleydale Christmas Carol' – Askrigg Village Hall	
21.12.17	BAWB Day – including Christmas Lunch – West Burton		
22.12.17	Christmas Parties (am)		
22.12.17	Jack and the Beanstalk Pantomime at Tennants, Leyburn (pm)		

#### Forest School Dates

Please ensure your child has suitable footwear and clothing i.e. warm, waterproof clothes that you don't mind getting dirty / smoky. Also wellies / old trainers / walking boots.

Half Term		Dec 1 <sup>st</sup>	Bainbridge
Nov 3 <sup>rd</sup>	West Burton	8 <sup>th</sup>	Askrigg
10 <sup>th</sup>	Bainbridge	15 <sup>th</sup>	West Burton
17 <sup>th</sup>	Askrigg	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Pantomime
24 <sup>th</sup>	West Burton		