

Autumn Term
Friday 14th
September 2018



BURNSALL VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday News

A Note from Mrs. Boxall & Mr. Norris

The autumn term in all 4 schools is now well underway, but looking out of the window at the pouring rain, the long hot balmy days of the summer feel well and truly behind us. However, from talking to the children they still have great memories of the summer term, and also of the enjoyable holiday times they have spent with family and friends.

In addition to the term and holiday dates that were given in last week's Newsletters, we are also able to let you know the dates for the Parent-Teacher Consultation Evenings later this year. These important meetings, when you can meet with your child's class teacher to discuss his/her progress, will be held on Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th November 2018, and Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th March 2019 in all 4 schools. The times and details of the arrangements in the individual schools will be sent to you nearer the time, but please make a note of the dates now.

As you will know from last week's Newsletter, and the letter from yesterday, we have regrettably had to suspend Woosh Club until we have been able to appoint an Assistant Leader. We realise and apologise for the inconvenience this will cause, but trust also that you appreciate the proper appointment process has to be followed. This is likely to be 2-3 weeks, after which we do hope that we will be able to re-open the Woosh Club as soon as possible.

Looking a little further ahead, November 11th this year is the centenary of the Armistice at the end of the First World War. To mark this, and also in connection with the KS2 topic this term, we are planning a workshop day and then a special commemoration for Friday 9th November, in conjunction with the other schools in our cluster. More news about this will be given in due course.

Thank-you to all parents who have completed and returned the consent, information and other forms to your child's school at the start of this term. If you have not yet been able to do so, we would appreciate it if you can do this as soon as possible so that all our records are up-to-date.

If you have anything you need to discuss about your child's learning or time more generally in school, in the first instance please do contact his/her teacher. If you need any additional help, please to then speak to the school's Base Leader, and then to either of us as Co-Headteachers - we can be contacted through your child's School Office, where there is a rota of our working days and schools. And of course, we are always happy to have an informal chat at the school gate at the start and end of each day.

As I am sure most parents know, the school meals in each school are prepared on site following recipes planned by North Yorkshire County Caterers. These in turn meet nationally agreed standards for the nutritional content of school meals for children. The menu runs on a 3-weekly cycle, and a copy is available from each school on the website.

Finally, it gives us great pleasure to welcome 2 new members of staff to the Federation - Miss Abigail Smith has been appointed as Class 1 teacher at Cracoe, and Mr. Zach Bullock has been appointed as a teaching assistant at Burnsall.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club - open to Burnsall children from 8 am until the start of the school day. Please contact school if interested. Please don't forget to send your money to pay for Breakfast club. This can be done weekly or half termly. As from September 2017 the cost for each session will be £3.50 to cover costs. Please can you let me know if your child/ren will be attending. Thank you .

News From Class 2

This week, Class 2 have been working extremely hard. In our English work the children have been looking at how dogs were used in WW1 . The children have used the information they have learnt about the dogs to write balanced arguments. We are well on our way with our topic work, with the children looking this week at how WW1 started. The children should have brought home their home-learning books tonight, please could you send them back with the work completed next Thursday. Next Tuesday the children will be taking part in the Upper Wharfedale Cross Country Competition.

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Diary Dates

15.09.18—Selection Test for Ermysteds

18.9.18—KS2 PE @ UWS

18.9.18—Cross Country Festival @ UWS

21.09.18—Yr. 6 Endangered Species Day @ UWS

27.09.18—Cober Hill meeting for Yr 6 parents

28.9.18—Harvest Festival 10am Rylstone Church

Dinner Money/PE—Class 2 only—(04.09.18-26.10.18)

Just to remind you that school meals are now £2.50/day.

Dinner Money £85.00

PE—£21.00

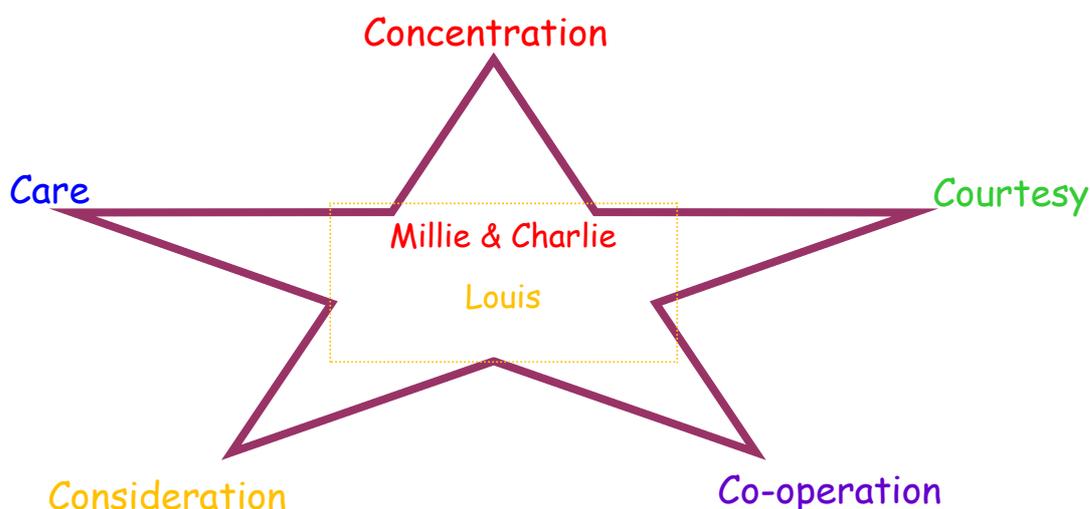
Please can these be sent in two separate payments. Thank you

Cheques made payable to 'Burnsall Primary School'

News From Class 1

It has been another busy week in Class One and time seems to be flying by. This week the children have been looking at how we celebrate special occasions, they all enjoyed planning a little party, writing invitations and thinking about birthdays in particular. We have started thinking about our new topic 'Masterchef' this week, the children designed their favourite meals and investigated the favourite foods of children from India and Mexico. We use our map skills to find these places on the world map and are looking forward to trying a range of different foods in the coming weeks. In Maths we have all looked at 2d shapes, Year 1 enjoyed working with shapes to create pictures which helped them to learn the names of different shapes. Year 2 have been thinking about the properties of 2d shapes and solving problems involving shapes. For literacy the children have investigated the characters from Jack in the Beanstalk.

I am sure the children have been talking to you about our new dojo reward system in school. Dojos are awarded for all of our 5C's and also for any reading that is done at home. Reading at home really does make a huge difference to your child's progress so please do try to listen to your child read and help them earn those much converted dojo points.



Pupil Premium

Pupil Premium is designed to help children from low income families reach their full potential and to achieve higher academic grades at school. All children who are entitled to a 'statutory' free school meal can benefit from Pupil Premium.

If you are the parent of a child in Foundation/KS1 your child will currently receive a 'Universal Free School Meal' This means that all children of this age group are entitled to a free school meal regardless of their family's financial situation.

School receives extra funding in the form of 'Pupil Premium' for every child who is entitled to a Statutory Free School Meal. The child in turn benefits from this money during their time at school. We would ask that any parent, including those with children in Foundation/KS1 who feels they may be entitled to a Statutory Free School Meal to apply via the North Yorkshire County Council website. Full details and an application form can be found on:

<http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/article/25811/Free-school-meals>

This may not be relevant to you, but if at any point your circumstances change and you feel you may qualify, please visit the above website for further information.

School Staff—2018-19

Our school staff this year is as follows:

Mrs C Boxall & Mr Norris—Executive Co Head teachers

Miss Thompson—Base Leader & Class 2 Teacher

Mrs McGee & Mrs Sandoe—Class 1 Teachers (Job Share)

Mrs Holme—ATA—Class 2

Mr Bullock—TA—Class 2

Mrs Braithwaite—HLTA Class 1 & 2

Mrs Turvey—Music Teacher

Mrs A Allen—Swimming Teacher (UWS)

Mrs J Willetts—PE Teacher (UWS)

Mrs M Whyte—School Administrator

Mrs Julie Mahon—School Cook

Mrs Bickley—Mid day supervisor

Mrs Moor—School Cleaner

Our federation senior leadership team is made up of the Executive Head teachers and the base leader at each school who are:

Grassington—Mrs Eleanor Harrison, Cracoe—Mrs Orla Gibbons, Kettlewell—Mrs Tracy Briggs

Message from Class 1

We are in need of:

Shoe boxes and any interesting food packages from around the world. If anyone has any of these at home, please can you send them into school for our class. Thank you

A Message from the Friends

Easy Fundraising Website:

A good way to support Friends of Burnsall School is signing up with easyfundraising—the UK's biggest charity fundraising site. It turns your everyday online shopping with over 3,300 retailers into FREE funds for our school. How? Simply start your online shopping from easyfundraising, then stop as normal. The retailers will then make a small donation to say "thank you". Sign up and start raising now:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/WO9KWT/VXQDLK>

We have already made a massive £113.49 with Easy Fundraising so thank you to everyone who has already signed up and using this.

After School Clubs

Federation Choir (Year 3-Y6) runs at Grassington School each Monday starting at 3.30pm, with children joining as they arrive. The club finishes at 4.30pm. Parents can park down by the football pitch for drop off and pick up only.

Sport Club—this runs at Cracoe school for Y2—Y6 3.30-4.30pm on a Wednesday evening.

If your child would like to take part in any of the above, please let school know.

Cross Country Festival—Tuesday 18th September

Next Tuesday all KS2 children will take part in the Cross Country festival at Upper Wharfedale School. The children will be staying at UWS after their PE lesson and take part in the event in the afternoon. They will require warm clothing to wear before and after the races, and also a drink. Please can we ask also if your child could bring a packed lunch as they will not be returning to school till 2.30pm. Miss Thompson, Mrs Holme and Mr Bullock will accompany the children to this event.

Coats

Please can we ask now the weather has turned a little autumnal, that your child/ren have a school with them everyday, as we do like the children to play out wherever possible.

Newsletters

We are discussing the idea of sending the newsletter out via email, both trying to save money on photocopying and being more environmental friendly. Please can you indicate below which method you would prefer to receive this, and return the slip to school. Please can we ask that you keep checking your child/rens bags for letters which require a return slip. Thank you

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Newsletters

Name

I would like to receive a paper copy of the newsletter

I would like to receive the newsletter via email and my email address is

Signed