

Autumn Term  
Friday 23rd  
November 2018



BURNSALL VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Friday News

## A Note from Mrs. Boxall & Mr. Norris

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(see attached sheet)

## Breakfast Club

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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

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On Monday, our Year 6 children joined together as a federation for a Year 6 Maths and English Day. They took part in a quick paced algebra lesson in the morning led by myself followed by a Story writing session led by Mr Scott (our English Lead Teacher from Kettlewell school). Whilst our Year 6 children were working as a federation the rest of class two worked with class two from Kettlewell. In the morning they also looked at story writing and in the afternoon they were exploring shapes and patterns in Freedom quilts; which were designed by slaves as secret codes trying to escape to freedom. Following on from this lesson the children then came together on Tuesday afternoon, to help them describe what Freedom meant to them.

As well as designing their pictures on Tuesday, the children also went to church to visit Ali Aynesworth who is currently working there restoring the sculptures and art work in the church. The children learnt all about her work and the painting that she is currently working on and some of them were even lucky enough to get to clean a section of it.

In English, this week the children have started to look at the story of the Christmas Truce. Using the Sainsbury's advert from 2014 as inspiration, the children wrote postcards home from the trenches to tell their loved ones of the incredible invent.

## News from Class 1

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We have had a lovely week in school this week. On Tuesday we all visited Ali Aynesworth in Church to find out about the restoration work she is doing to the sculptures and paintings. The children were fascinated by the process of cleaning a picture and some of the children even got to have a go themselves. We have been continuing our work on instructions and Year 1 and 2 have been thinking about imperative verbs. We linked this to our topic work which involved looking at rationed foods during the war. The children were amazed to find out that people were unable to get hold of certain food items and that children had only 350g of sweets every 4 weeks! We had a go at making a wartime recipe of bacon and potato cakes and then Year 2 wrote improved instructions for the recipe. In maths we have looked at money some more, Year 1 have focussed on coins whilst Year 2 investigated notes.

If anyone has any more junk that could be sent into school for Junk modelling we would be most grateful. Thank you.

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## Diary Dates

03.12.18 -Bag2school collection

03.12.18—Yr. 3 & 4 Turn up and play Basketball @ UWS

04.12.18—Whole school panto @ Harrogate - 2pm

05.12.18—Rehearsal for Big Sing

10.12.18—'Big Sing' @ Grassington THall 2pm & 5.45pm

14.12.18—Yr. 5 Rewind to Christmas @ Netherside Hall

14.12.18—Christmas Jumper Day

17.12.18—Christmas Lunch

19.12.18—Christmas Play

21.12.18 Christingle Service and End of Term

## Dinner Money & PE Money for this half term (06.11.18-21.12.18)

Dinner Money—£85.00

PE Money—£21.00

If these could be sent in two separate envelopes that would be very helpful. Thank you

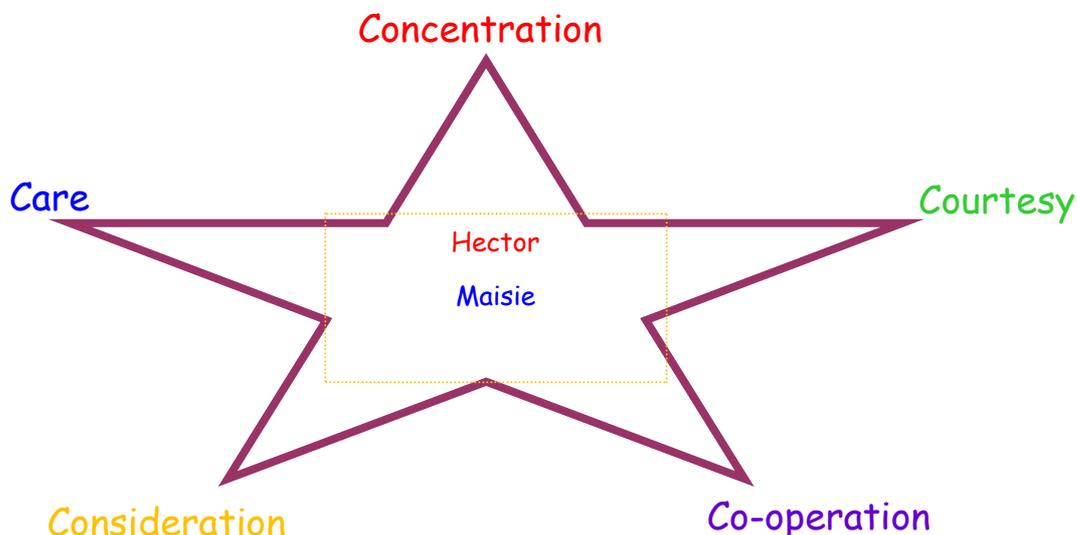
## Year 5 & 6 Turn-up and play Basketball—26.11.18

Unfortunately this event has been cancelled.

## A Message from the Friends—get Shopping!!

A good way to support Friends of Burnsall School is by 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 shop 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 made a massive £195.00 already with Easy Fundraising so thank you to everyone who has already signed up.



## A Message from Mrs Boxall & Mr Norris

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"I really enjoyed English and coming up with my story I hope I can write in the future. I have had a great day!" "I really enjoyed today. It was great. Maths was really fun. I didn't think algebra was so easy! Mrs. Thompson explained it really clearly. I loved the Fat Bat game." "I enjoyed working with other people from different schools." "It would be better if we could do all of our lessons (art, DT, computing) together as Year 6 pupils once every fortnight."

These were some of the comments our year 6 children said at the end of the Federation Maths and English day. The children spent the day working on specific areas of the year 6 curriculum; it was an opportunity for them to work collaboratively and challenge one another within their learning. They definitely had fun too!

This week we had this message from the County Catering Team:-

We are pleased to inform you about what we believe are some positive changes to the school meals that will be introduced from January 2019.

Our catering team has always endeavoured to ensure that the school meals your child receives are nutritionally balanced and meet the government's national school meals standards. While school meals are meeting national standards, the sugar content and frequency of desserts on the menus have been highlighted as an area of improvement. As a result the catering team are implementing the following changes:

- Very high sugary desserts have been taken off the regular menus but we recognise that these may be some of the favourite puddings that children love, so they will still feature as a treat on celebration days and promotions.
- Sugar content in desserts will be reduced by at least 10%
- We will continue to offer a main course and a choice of dessert each day, 2 out of the 5 days the dessert option will be a variety of flavoured yoghurt and fresh fruit.

As you will no doubt be aware, the rates of overweight/obesity among children and young people nationally are very high, as are the rates of tooth decay. These small but significant changes to school meals are just part of a much broader approach in promoting healthy weight and good oral health amongst children and families.

We hope that you will agree that these changes are a positive initiative towards helping our children to lead healthier and more fulfilling lives.

Over the summer we have spent lots of time creating, testing and trying out all the new 'reduced sugar' recipes to make sure they are still appealing to children, tasty and delicious.

We embrace the changes which will be made, and are confident that the children will continue to enjoy their school meal. Parents, who currently provide their child with a packed lunch, may wish to consider trying the new menus in January.

Thank you to all the hard work of children, staff, parents and governors in promoting the open mornings and afternoons in each of our schools; Grassington's open afternoon is on Wednesday 28th November. Please spread the word about how wonderful each of our schools are and remind parents that our doors are always open and we welcome any further visits they may wish to make. Please contact the school office for any further information.