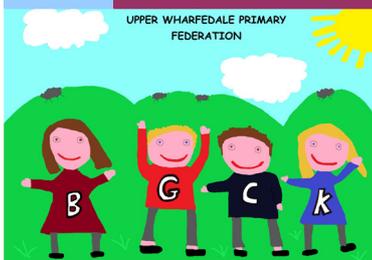


Autumn Term
Friday 7th
December 2018



BURNSALL VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday News



A Note from Mrs. Boxall & Mr. Norris

Another busy week for all the children and staff at the Upper Wharfedale Primary Federation! Whilst rehearsals for the Big Sing and end of term Nativities are in full swing, alongside the prospect of parties and festive fun, children's learning is continuing. We also know that end of term assessments are underway!

As we mentioned in last week's newsletter, the annual Big Christmas Sing will take place on Monday 10th December with two performances in Grassington Town Hall at 2pm and 5.45pm, involving all the children from all the schools. If you have not yet ordered your tickets (at £2.50 each), please get in touch with your own school office as soon as possible. **We need to limit tickets to two per family, per performance**, in order to comply with fire regulations and the number of people in the Town Hall.

We are very keen to promote Woosh Club to parents of all the children in the Federation who need after school care. The club meets every Tuesday and Thursday at Grassington Primary School, starting immediately after the end of the school day, and running through to 6pm. On **Tuesday 15th January**, the Woosh Club is holding a taster session from 4pm until 5pm. If you are interested in after-school care, we would like to invite you and your children to come to the taster session any time between those times on that day to see what Woosh Club has to offer. You will be able to either leave your children for an hour, or talk to the adults while your children take part in the activities. However, you will need to make your own arrangements to collect your child(ren) from their school before coming to Grassington. However, for children who currently use Woosh Club on 15th January the club will start as usual at 3:30pm and they will get the taxi from their schools as normal.

If you subsequently decide to send your children to Woosh club after the taster session, you will receive a 10% discount on the cost of all the sessions you pre-book for the remainder of the Spring term. **This discount will also apply to existing Woosh Club children.** We look forward to meeting you any time between 4pm and 5pm on Tuesday 15th January. For children who already come to Woosh Club the session will continue until 6pm as usual.

We are systematically updating the information on all four Federation school websites, and aiming to bring this into as consistent a format as possible across the Federation. Mrs. Besharati is very keen to develop the overall content of the schools' and Federation websites, and she will be looking at how best to do this after she takes up her appointment in January.

Ms Laura Laycock has been appointed this week as the new administrator at Kettlewell School from January 2019. She will spend some time this term familiarising herself with the school and the office environment, as well as meeting the children and staff. We hope that at the beginning of term there will be an opportunity for parents of Kettlewell School to meet with her.

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

What a busy week we've had this week. On Monday, the children had an Enterprise Day where they made a fantastic selection of Christmas Crafts which will be on sale at Friends Christmas Event on Saturday. Make sure you try and pop down and buy one of their limited addition treats! On Tuesday afternoon the children all thoroughly enjoyed this year's panto of Jack and the Beanstalk - it was great to see them all laughing, clapping and singing along with the show. On Wednesday, the children had their dress rehearsal for next weeks Big Sing. They have all worked so hard to remember all of the words and it always amazes me how much volume our small school produces. If the Big Sing wasn't enough, yesterday the children were cast parts in the our schools upcoming Nativity play. As part of their homework over the next few weeks, please can the children learn their lines and the cues. Next week the children will have a reading assessment and maths assessment to complete. For their homework this week, I have asked the children to practise their times tables and written calculations in preparations.

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Diary Dates

10.12.18—'Big Sing' @ Grassington T. Hall 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 Nativity (2pm & 5.45pm)

20.12.18—Christmas Picnic Lunch & Party in Pm

21.12.18 Christingle Service (1.30pm)

21.12.18—Break Up For Christmas

Dinner Money/PE—Class 2 only—(6.11.18-21.12.18)

Dinner Money—£85.00

PE Money—£21.00

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

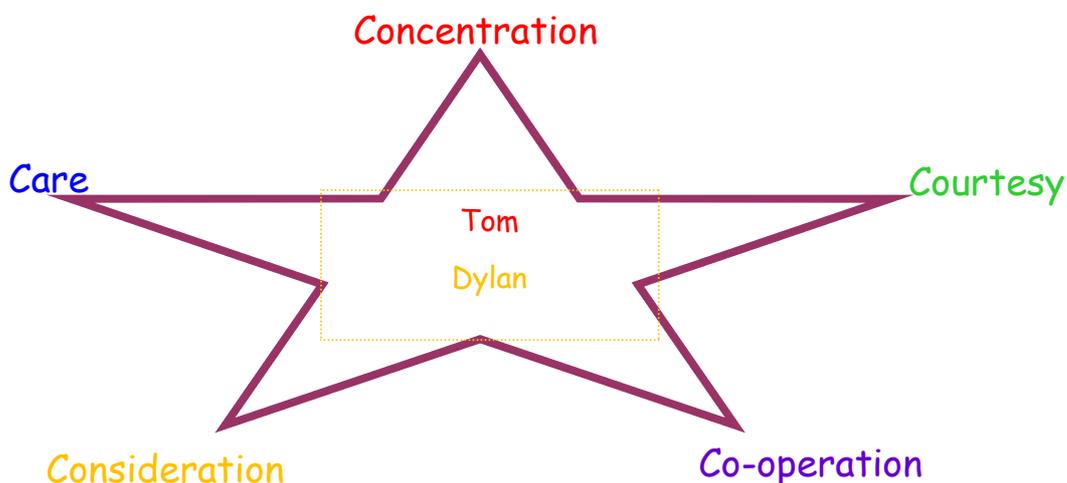
Please can you make sure all monies owed are paid before Friday 21st December.

A Message about the 'Grand Raffle'

The Grand Raffle will be drawn on Saturday 15th December and you are welcome to come along to Bob and May's house at Spout Yat for a festive gathering 3-5pm. There will be a small cake stall and mulled wine. Please can you bring your raffle stubs and money back this coming week, and any unsold tickets must also be returned to Sarah (Cecily's mummy). Thank you

Polite Reminder!!

Please can we ask that you all read through the newsletter thoroughly each week, there are lots of events happening from now until the end of term, which require either a packed lunch or a reply to transport arrangements. These are very important to us, so please can we ask that you send back any reply slips that have been requested in order for these events to run smoothly. Thank you



Events before Christmas

Monday 10th December— 'Big Sing Day' - the children will leave school after lunch and travel to Grassington town Hall to perform the 'Big Sing' with the rest of the federation children. Please can we ask that **everyone** collects their child/ren from the town hall (main entrance) at 3.15pm. We will not get back to school for normal home time arrangements. There will be no school buses that night. Please complete the slip below and return to school so that we know everyone will be picked up. Thank you

Please can we ask that your child is back at the Town Hall in the evening at 5.30pm. Thank you

Friday 14th December—Rewind the Christmas for Year 5—This event will be held at Netherside Hall, Threshfield. The children will join the rest of the cluster schools to take part in this event. They will travel by coach leaving school at 9.15am and return at 12 noon for their lunch.

Friday 14th December—Christmas Jumper day—the children are able to come to school wearing their Christmas Jumper and in return we ask for a donation of £1.00 for Save the Children. There is no need to buy a brand new jumper, just find an old unwanted one and have fun decorating it.

Monday 17th December—Christmas lunch. If your child normally has a packed lunch on that day, and would like to have a christmas lunch, please let me know. The cost for this meal will be £2.50.

Wednesday 19th December—this will be our Christmas production day. There will be a performance at 2pm and one at 5.45pm. We are not selling tickets for this event, but will be asking for donations on the day.

Thursday 20th December—We are having a secret Santa stall this year, please can we ask for mum's and dad's presents. If you can help out with any of these gifts, please send them into school week commencing 17th December. We will be having a party lunch followed by the Christmas Party in the afternoon which will be filled with fun and games and a surprise visitor at the end of the day. The children are able to come to school in their party clothes for that day. School will finish at the normal time.

Friday 21st December—We are having a Christingle Service in the afternoon at 1.30pm. After this service you are free to take your child/ren home with you. Please complete the slip below indicating if you are attending or not. Please return this to school ASAP and then we can arrange transport at home time if necessary.

Friday 21st December—Last day of term—Christmas !

Follow the Star



@ St Wilfrid's

At Burnsall school we are going to be following the star around the community as part of St Wilfrids 'Follow the Star' initiative. This is related to a wide Church of England engagement through advent to Christmas. In school we have a bright star, some story books and some fun activity sheets. Leading up to Christmas we will be sending home a star to a different family each evening. Please display the star in your window throughout the evening (and night if you can) so that its route can be followed around the community. Please remember to send the star back to school the following day, so that it can go to someone different each evening. Thank you

Christmas Post Box

The Christmas post box will be open next week for the children to post their Christmas cards to their friends.



Coats



Please can we ask that you send your child to school everyday with a coat. We do like the children to play out at playtime if at all possible, even if it is a little damp and cold. Thank you

Christmas Production—Wednesday 19th December

On Wednesday 19th December we will be holding our Christmas production—Christmas counts!

We will be having a 2pm and a 5.45pm performance. Please indicate on the slip below which one you will be attending and how many people. If you are attending the afternoon performance you will be able to take your child home with you when it has finished.

There is no charge for tickets, but we will be asking for donations on the day. Thank you



Christmas Counts—19th December 2018

Name (child/ren)

Please indicate how many people will be attending each performance.

Afternoon performance (2pm)

Evening performance (5.45pm)

I will be attending the 2pm performance and will take my child home with me

I will not be attending the 2pm performance and would like my child to go home as normal

Signed

News From Class 1

It has been a very Christmassy week here at Burnsall and the children have really enjoyed all the different activities which we have been busy with. Tuesdays Pantomime was as popular as ever and the children were still buzzing about it when I came into school on Thursday. We had a very successful rehearsal for our Big Sing on Wednesday, those of you with tickets are in for a real treat as it sounds amazing! In amongst all of this the children have been working together to make things for the fair on Saturday. We have linked this to our enterprise work and the children have been challenged to create things from around school with the aim of making a small profit for school. This week has also seen our nativity rehearsals get underway and the children are now busy learning lines and new songs for this.