

Spring Term  
Friday 11th  
January 2019



BURNSALL VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Friday News

## Federation News

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to be writing to you as the newly appointed Executive Headteacher of Upper Wharfedale Primary Federation. I feel extremely honoured and privileged to have been chosen to take on this unique position and to continue to build upon the success the Federation has already achieved, working with Mrs Boxall and Mr Norris.

Having visited the schools on several occasions prior to starting and spending time in the schools this week, I have found everybody to be very welcoming. The schools are clearly valued in the local community and I am keen to continue to meet as many people as I can over the coming weeks. I will be on the playground of each school at the start and end of the day if you would like to say hello.

For me the needs of the children are always paramount in the life and decision making within a school. I strongly believe in providing the children with exciting, creative and meaningful learning experiences, which build their enthusiasm for learning and help them to grow and develop positively in a variety of ways. During our joint training day on Monday, staff had the opportunity to think about our vision for learning across the Federation. We would like children and their families to be involved in this too. I am keen for us to build a whole Federation community which values the importance of learning and thinks of ways 'outside of the box' in which we can achieve the best for our children.

As key educators in your children's lives, I feel that it is important that you feel you have a voice and that as schools we are approachable and allocate time to listen to your thoughts and ideas about the schools.

**On Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January** there will be a 'meet the new headteacher' coffee morning at Grassington Primary School, which will be a drop-in from 9am to 10:30am.

I believe that we will have a positive and successful future working, growing and developing together as a whole school community so that the Upper Wharfedale Primary Federation is a special and unique collaboration of schools in which children love coming to and one which provides an all-round educational experience in which everyone can flourish.

Mrs E N Besharati

## Federation Dates

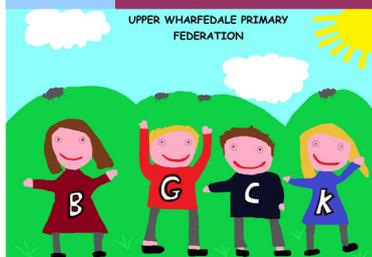
The following dates show when pupils or parents across the federation have opportunities to come together. Dates relating to individual schools are on the next page. Details of each of these events will be provided nearer to the time.

Date	Details	Location
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> January	Y5/6 NSPCC Workshop	Cracoe & Rylstone
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	Y3 African Workshop Day	Burnsall
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Meet the Headteacher Coffee Morning Drop-in	Grassington, 9 - 10:30am
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	Y5/6 Author Visit	Cracoe Village Hall
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Swimming Gala	Upper Wharfedale School
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5/6 Netball	Upper Wharfedale School
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Parents Evening	Except Burnsall Primary
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	Parents Evening	All schools

## Welcome

We would like to welcome Ms Laycock, the new administrator at Kettlewell Primary School to our team. Ms Laycock will be working at Kettlewell Primary School everyday until 1pm.

We would also like to welcome Albert and Jack who started at Cracoe and Rylstone Primary School this week, also Alfie who started at Kettlewell primary school.



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FEDERATION

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## Diary Dates

21.01.19—Year 3 African Day at Burnsall

22.01.19—Meet New Head Teacher Morning @ Grassington  
9-10.30am

30.01.19—Cober Hill payment due £75.00

22.01.19—Sportshall athletics @ UWS 4-5.30pm

01.02.19—Firefighters Charity collection day

20.02.19—KS2 Swimming Gala @ UWS 9.30-11.30am

22.02.19—Break Up for half term

## Safeguarding Update

On Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January, myself and all the Base Leaders completed our Comprehensive Child Protection Training held at Kettlewell Primary School. In light of the training we have amended and updated our Child Protection Policies. Once these are ratified by Governors they will be sent out to parents and placed on each school's websites.

If you have any concerns around a child's safety or welfare then should you speak to the Designated Safeguarding Leader in your school.

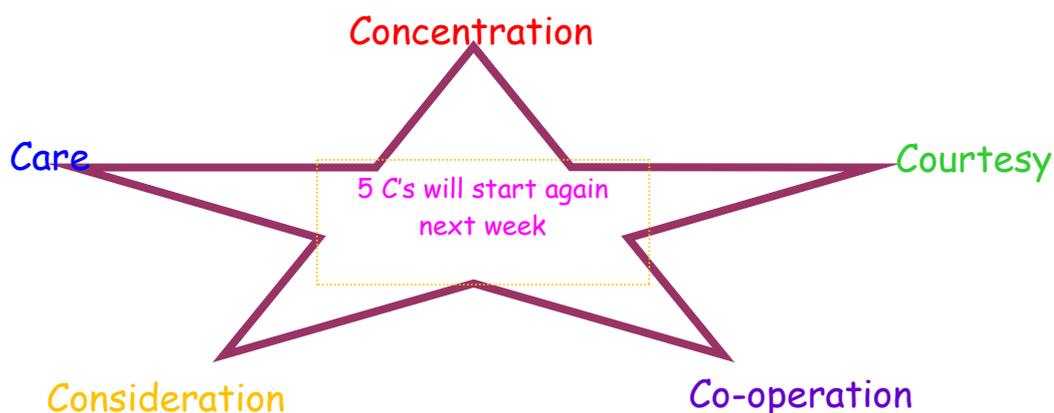
	Designated Safeguarding Leader	Deputy Designated Safeguarding Officers across the Federation
Miss Thompson	Burnsall Primary School	Mrs Besharati
Mrs Gibbons	Cracoe & Rylstone Primary	Mrs Boxall
Mrs Harrison	Grassington Primary School	Mr Norris
Mr Scott	Kettlewell Primary School	

## Staff Training

On Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January, staff from across all four schools came together to have a joint training day. Most of the day was spent looking at how children learn and thinking about the characteristics we would like children to develop during their time at primary school. The session provided us with an opportunity to share ideas and expertise as well as look towards the future of how we can strengthen the teaching and learning within our schools so that it promotes a real love and thirst for learning.

## Ofsted

After just one full day at being in post, Cracoe and Rylstone received the call from Ofsted. The inspection took place this week and was led by HMI, Bernard Campbell. As soon as the report is available we will send out a copy to each parent at Cracoe and Rylstone. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff and governors who put in a lot of time and effort to make the inspection a smooth process and to the children who were able to articulate how proud they are of their school.



## Dinner Money and PE money (Class 2 only) - 08.01.19-22.02.19

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Dinner Money— £85.00 (7 weeks)

PE Money—£21.00

### 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 .

### Newspaper

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If anyone has any spare old newspaper at home, please could they send it into school for us to use. Thank you