



Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him.
They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream.
It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green.
It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit.

Jeremiah 17: 7 - 8

Friday 17th March 2023 – Newsletter
This term our Christian Value is Justice

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy two weeks in our federation.

Ofsted HMCI Visit and The Telegraph

It was a privilege to be able to give a guided tour of our amazing federation to HMCI Amanda Speilman and colleagues from Ofsted. They enjoyed talking to the children about their work and also about life in small village schools. Our federation bus seemed to be a huge talking point as was our wonderful bus driver Rev Jeff Payne. The visit has also attracted some media coverage including The Telegraph. I have heard on the grapevine that you may well see some familiar faces in this Sunday's edition!



Snow Day

It is hard to believe as I look out of my office window that this time last week was a SNOW DAY! We really enjoyed seeing and hearing about the fun that the children had in the snow and photos of the completed challenges set by the Class teachers on Class Dojo. Mrs Bradbury was particularly impressed with Abbie's snow sculpture!

Chocolate Bingo – FOMASS

The ever-popular Chocolate Bingo night will be taking place in Spennithorne School Hall on **Thursday 30th March 2023 from 6pm**. Bingo slips will be available on the night for £5.00 a book. Donations of chocolate and chocolate eggs would be very welcome!



Oak Class – DT Projects

The children in Oak Class have finally completed their playgrounds. The children have worked superbly and are very proud of their work and so they should be! They have solved problems, used tools and equipment sensibly and learnt new skills. Mrs Bradbury and Mrs Pearson was particularly pleased with how well they worked with their partners. Well done Y5 and 6, I think I see some future engineers and designers amongst you! Fantastic!



Attendance Reports

Attendance reports were issued at parents evening. If your child's class teacher did not give you a copy it will be sent home in pupil bags on Monday.

Please check out our new 'Attendance' page on our school website for useful information: <http://fed-mas.n-yorks.sch.uk/attendance/>

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!			
ATTENDANCE DURING ONE SCHOOL YEAR	EQUALS APPROXIMATE DAYS ABSENCE	WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY WEEKS ABSENCE	WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY LESSONS MISSED
95%	9 days	2 weeks	40 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	80 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	120 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	160 lessons
75%	48 days	10 weeks	200 lessons
70%	57 days	11 ½ weeks	230 lessons
65%	67 days	13 ½ weeks	270 lessons

Stars of the week 17.03.23

Maple Class	Woody for a lovely observational drawing of spring flowers.
Willow Class	Wilf for trying very hard to describe a character. Jesse for great historical knowledge.
Elm Class	Toby for showing great teamwork skills and helping others with their work. Arthur for listening well, following instructions, and helping his partner in computing.
Sycamore Class	Will be announced next week.
Oak Class	Will be announced next week.

Diary Dates

22.03 Year 3/4 last swimming session
 22.03 No Lego Club
 23.03 Year 5 Winter Sports Day at Wensleydale School – more information coming soon
 24.03 Wensleydale Tournament of Song
 24.03 Year 5 leading Collective Worship at 2.45pm – Parents/carers welcome to join us
 24.03 Oak Class Forest School session
 27.03 Federation Day at Thorp Perrow
 29.03 Easter Service at St Alkeda's Church, Middleham 2pm – more information coming soon
 29.03 No Lego Club
 30.03 Stay & Play for Maple Class and younger children
 30.03 Archery Competition – letter will be coming home soon with individual children
 30.03 FOMASS Chocolate Bingo, 6pm at Spennithorne
 31.03 Federation Charity Fun Run organised by school council – more information coming soon
 31.03 No Eco Club
 31.03 School closes for Easter holidays
 17.04 School closed – staff training day
 18.04 School opens for the summer term

Mrs Mann's availability week beginning 20th March 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Middleham	Spennithorne	am – Spennithorne pm -Middleham	Spennithorne	Middleham

Have a wonderful weekend

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