



# The Federation of Middleham (VA) & Spennithorne (VC) CE Primary Schools

Executive Headteacher – Mrs Marie Mann

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 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – Newsletter This term our Christian Value is Truthfulness

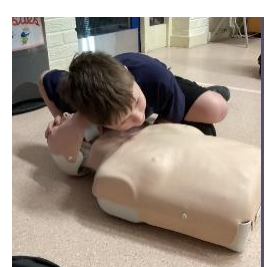
### A message from Mrs Mann

It has been another action pack week across the federation! We hope that you enjoyed reading the SIAMS Inspection Report for Spennithorne as much as we did – well done everyone! Such a brilliant report about our flourishing schools. If you haven't read it yet check it out on the school website: <http://fed-mas.n-yorks.sch.uk/about-us/school-reports/>

This week, we also welcomed a group of teachers and Mrs Jones from the Yorkshire Riding Maths Hub who had come in to watch Mrs Brown teach maths to Maple Class having being recognised for her outstanding teaching! The visitors were extremely impressed not only with the children's excellent maths knowledge but also their fantastic attitude to learning. Well done Mrs Brown, Miss Remmer, Miss Walmsley and Maple Class.

### First Aid Training

We were delighted to welcome Andy from A&E Harmonious Compliance Training Ltd today for an extremely important enrichment activity for our PSHE curriculum. The children in Oak and Sycamore Class participated in First Aid training. Everybody earned themselves a certificate in basic first aid, children listened really carefully and learnt CPR as well as how to put someone in the recovery position. Ask your child to tell you about DR ABC. Can they remember the key steps?



### Candlemas Service

Pupils and their families are invited to join us at St Alkeldas Church in Middleham from 2:45pm for the Candlemas Service. We look forward to seeing you there.

### Visit to a Hindu Temple and St Francis Assisi CE Primary School



Last Friday Oak and Sycamore class visited the Hindu Cultural Society in Middlesbrough. Our focus religion this year is Hinduism and children listened superbly and learnt a lot about Hinduism. They also asked some super questions and their behaviour was excellent. In the afternoon they visited St Francis Assisi CE Primary School in Ingleby Barwick, here they had opportunity to talk to pupils and notice similarities and differences between their lifestyles, there was even opportunity to play on their school field.

### Craft Club

Children at Middleham have been very busy during the lunchtime Craft Club, this week they made sun catchers using colourful tissue paper, don't they look lovely.



**Class News**  
**Maple Class**

As part of our new topic 'Ticket to Ride!' we have been reading the story 'Naughty Bus' by Jan and Jerry Oke. We have had a lot of fun learning about London landmarks and enjoyed writing a sentence about the adventures of the naughty London bus!



**Sycamore Class**

This week in Sycamore class the children have been planning and recording their iMotion Roman animations!



Diary Dates

- 28.01 Candlemas Service, St Alkeldas Church, 2:45pm
- 31.01 Open the Book at Spennithorne School 3pm, parents and carers invited to join us.
- 7.02 Open the Book at Middleham School 2.45pm, parents and carers invited to join us.
- 9.02 Last Day of term
- 19.02 School reopens to all pupils.

**Stars of the week 26.01.24**

<b>Maple Class</b>	Rocco for excellent behaviour and a great attitude to learning. You are such a kind, helpful member of our class. Well done. Elsbeth for always giving 100% in everything you do. You never give up. Well done.
<b>Birch Class</b>	Oonagh for completing a wonderful poster in science. Woody for writing some great sentences to describe Traction Man.
<b>Sycamore Class</b>	Scarlett for amazing listening and practical skills in first aid training. Arthur for amazing listening and practical skills in first aid training. Ruby for amazing listening and practical skills in first aid training. <u>Growth Mindset Box</u> Finlay for perseverance in maths  Last week Kacie received Star of the Week for trying really hard in our maths lessons and Freddie received the Growth Mindset Box for having an excellent attitude towards his learning all of the time.
<b>Oak Class</b>	Daisy for showing a keen interest last Friday on our school visit to the Hindu temple. Lily for amazing listening and division work this week in maths. <u>Growth Mindset Box</u> Nina for a super, positive week and for showing amazing commitment in all her work. Well done Nina!  Last week the stars of week were Poppy for amazing talent in art and Jamie for super division work and accuracy. Summer received the Growth Mindset Box for having a super positive week.