



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 15th March 2024 – Newsletter This term our Christian Value is Service

A message from Mrs Mann

We had a fantastic turn out for our Community Stay and Play at Spennithorne today, it was lovely to see so many children and their families as they decorated Easter baskets, took part in an egg hunt and explored the Reception class environment. More information about joining our Federation can be found on our website <https://fed-mas.n-yorks.sch.uk/> or by contacting either school office.

I've really enjoyed seeing children across the Federation as they participate in Forest School, exploring our environment and learning about the natural world. Check out our Facebook page to see photos of our adventures. [Facebook](#)

Wensleydale Tournament of Song

We are very excited that the children in Sycamore and Oak classes will be performing at Tenants Garden room next week for The Wensleydale Tournament of Song. They are entered into 3 classes from 1.20pm. Parents and family are invited to watch, charges for entry will apply and more information can be found at Tenants.

Federation Day

We are looking forward to our space themed federation day next week, if you haven't already completed the online form to confirm drop off and collection arrangements this must be done by Monday. [Federation Day transport arrangements](#)

Easter Service

Family and friends are invited to join us at St Michaels Church, Spennithorne next Friday, 22nd March, at 1.45pm for our Easter Service. Sycamore and Oak children will be transported via Handleys bus to Spennithorne after lunch for the service. An email with more information will be sent next week.



Sumdog

We are entered into the latest Yorkshire and Humberside competition with Sumdog, this runs from the 15th – 21st March. Children should already be completing 20mins of Sumdog each week as part of their homework, if you have problems logging in please contact Mrs Clarkson, spennithorneadmin@fed-mas.n-yorks.sch.uk

Teaching Assistant Training

We are excited to share with you a Level 3 Teaching Assistant course available with Swaledale Alliance. If you, or somebody you know, is interested in becoming a Teaching Assistant please visit www.swaledalealliance.org for more information.

Illness

We have seen an increase in illness across the federation recently. We ask you remind your children to wash hands regularly and avoid sharing drinking bottles with others to minimise the spread of infection.

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

After School Clubs

Please note only Baking and Sports Club will be taking place next week, all other clubs have now finished. Details of after school clubs for next term will be available soon.

Exciting opportunity to become a Teaching Assistant!

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Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning Course

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- Weekly theory sessions facilitated by experienced school-based tutors
- One year course nationally recognised and respected qualification equivalent to an A-Level

For more information please visit: www.swaledalealliance.org or email: info@swaledalealliance.org



Class News Maple Class

In P.E we have been practising our football skills. We have learnt how to dribble, stop the ball, get the ball through the gate and over a bridge and tackling. We have had so much fun.

Forest School dates

22.03 – Sycamore and Oak Class (children will need to bring uniform, including black shoes, to change in to for the Easter service)

Stars of the week 15.03.24

Maple Class	Grayson for impressing staff with their super ball skills during PE lessons this week. Toby for impressing staff with their super ball skills during PE lessons this week.
Birch Class	Robyn for making a super effort in maths with multiplication and division. Ruby for producing a beautifully presented information text.
Sycamore Class	Louis for some amazing descriptive writing in English. Andrew for super progress in maths <u>Growth Mindset Box</u> Toby for being a great friend and always modelling to other what a good friend looks like.
Oak Class	Maya M for always trying hard and contributing so well in maths this week. Edward super geography work and finding all the 6 figure grid references so accurately. Well done <u>Growth Mindset Box</u> Lola for an amazing positive attitude towards her reading and writing and for always wanting to improve. Well done Lola!

Diary Dates

- 18.03 Year 5 Murder Mystery event at The Wensleydale School, email has been sent to parents.
- 20.03 Sycamore and Oak Class performance at Wensleydale Tournament of Song.
- 21.03 Space Themed Federation Day.
- 21.03 Bags 2 School collection day, please bring all bags to school by 9am
- 21.03 Chocolate Bingo at Middleham, doors open at 5.30pm
- 22.03 Easter Service at St Michael's Church, Spennithorne **1.45pm please note change of time**, parents/carers welcome to join us.
- 22.03 Sycamore and Oak Class Forest School.
- 22.03 School close for the Easter holidays
- 8.04 Training Day
- 9.04 School opens to all pupils.
- 9.04 Birch class swimming lessons, please see letter for more information.
- 10.04 Sycamore class swimming lessons, please see letter for more information.



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