



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

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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 4th October 2024 – Newsletter

This term our Christian Value is Love

KS2 Cross Country

Thankfully the weather held out for the KS2 Cross Country competition that was held at Richmond School on Wednesday. The children showed amazing resilience and true FEDMAS team spirit as usual! Congratulations to Sid who came 6th and Edward who came 2nd. Well done to all the children for super sportsmanship throughout!

Class Fundraising

Gentle reminder that our online shop closes on Tues next week, 8th October. Items will be delivered to school and distributed once they all arrive.



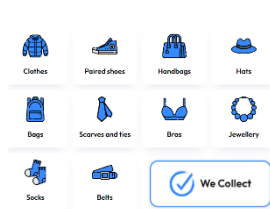
Illness

We have seen an increased number of illnesses within our school community recently. We have reminded children to wash their hands regularly, including before mealtimes and gone over the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' method. When reporting an absence due to illness please ensure you let us know the specific illness so we can report accordingly and monitor for any patterns. More information about illness and exclusion periods can be found on our website <https://fed-mas.n-yorks.sch.uk/parents/sickness/>

FOMASS

This week the committee met to talk about exciting fundraising events throughout the year and also what the funds might be spent on!

Some dates for your diary, more information will follow shortly so keep an eye on their social media page on Facebook and also in the newsletter for updates:



Autumn Disco - Thursday 24th October 6 - 7.15pm at Middleham

Bags 2 School - Donations welcome up until 9am Friday 15th November at both schools, designated bags will come home soon but black bin bags are also accepted, perfect reason to start having a clear out! Please spread the word to your neighbours as well!

<https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect>



Christmas Raffle - Non-uniform day for a raffle prize Friday 29th November and the opportunity to buy a raffle square for £5.

Last year FOMASS were able to provide so many exciting extra opportunities for the children, including the Space Themed day, contributions towards buses for visits out of school and so much more. New members are always welcome, they meet 3 times a year or even if you are just happy to be a member who offers help at events this would be very welcome. Please contact Alice Smith at fomasschools@gmail.com

Request

Birch class would greatly appreciate donations of cardboard recycling for their craft area, particularly boxes and kitchen roll tubes (no toilet rolls please). These can be brought into school or dropped off at Spennithorne office.

Maple Class Stay and Play

Thank you to all the families who joined us today, it was lovely to see you all. The children thoroughly enjoyed inviting you into their class and showing off their favourite places to explore. We were very ready for our flapjack snack today!



Class News



Oak and Sycamore

To celebrate black history, we joined together to find out about Michelle Obama and everything she has achieved and continues to achieve! We have carried out research about Michelle and have begun making posters to teach other children about the impact she is making.

Diary Dates

- 18.10 Federation Harvest Service at Middleham 2pm – more information coming soon
- 24.10 Autumn Disco at Middleham School 6-7.15pm
- 25.10 School closes for Half term holiday
- 4.11 School closed for staff training
- 5.11-19.11 Scholastic Book Fair in both schools, more information coming soon.
- 5.11 School reopens to all pupils
- 5.11 Federation Poetry Week – more information coming soon
- 8.11 Photographer in school – individual photos – more information coming soon
- 12.11 Flu vaccination in both schools, more information has been sent home
- 15.11 Bags2School Collection
- 29.11 Non Uniform Day in exchange for a raffle prize
- 1.12 (Sunday) Christingle Service, 3pm – more information coming soon
- 11.12 Federation Nativity, 2pm and 6pm – more information coming soon
- 19.12 Federation Christmas treat – more information coming soon
- 20.12 School closes for Christmas holidays

Stars of the week 4.10.24

Maple Class	Lily S for showing so much creativity and attention to detail during our art sessions. Well done
Birch Class	Jai for being a brilliant, enthusiastic learner. Mia for thinking of lovely descriptive ideas when discussing a setting.
Sycamore Class	Savannah for perseverance. Finlay for amazing contribution throughout each and every lesson
Oak Class	Kacie for settling into Year 5 superbly and for being such a helpful member of the class. Isla for writing a fabulous diary showing her ability to write from the character's perspective. Well done!



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