



# 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 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025 – Newsletter

This term our Christian Value, chosen by the Collective Worship Leaders, is Community

## Welcome Back

Well, that was an interesting start to 2025! Thank you to all our parents/carers for your understanding and support during the adverse weather. A huge thanks to all the staff and in particular our wonderful caretakers and Mr Hutt, resident at Middleham, for making sure both our sites were safe and ready for children and staff to use. Our Christian value this half term is Community and I have certainly seen the school community in action this week!

As you can see from the photos, the children in Maple Class have really enjoyed exploring the snow in the sunshine!

We look forward to seeing what the rest of the Spring Term has in store. Curriculum updates for each class have been sent out and are also available to view on the school website on each class page: <https://fed-mas.n-yorks.sch.uk/children/>



## Emails

Thank you for your understanding while we investigated the problem with emails being delivered late. Our IT technicians have advised us there was a problem with emails being held in an external anti-spam process, particularly for gmail accounts, we have been told this is now fixed and all emails sent from both schools should arrive with you promptly. If you find this is not happening, please let either office know as soon as possible.

## FOMASS

Finghall Barrel Push Committee have included FOMASS as part of their fundraising efforts this year, we are very grateful. They are hosting a Charity Race Night at The Queen's Head, Finghall on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January. Tickets must be bought before the event via Queens Head or Finghall Barrel Push Committee.



## Walk through the Bible



This half term in RE Oak class are 'Walking through the bible' and enjoying all the great stories from the Old Testament. The characters come to life! Here's Joseph and the Pharaoh. Many thanks to Mrs Holland who is one of the Walk through the Bible volunteers who will be working with the children this half term.

## Class News

### Sycamore Class

As an introduction to our Stone Age to iron age topic, children had a go at drawing like cave men in 'caves' (under the tables). They produced some super cave artwork! They found it tricky stretching - we talked about how cavemen and women would stretch to reach the tops of caves and be upside down to the cave roofs.



### Diary Dates

- 13.01 Multi Skills after school club starts at Middleham for KS2 , see email for more information
- 14.01 Tuesday Club after school starts at Spennithorne, see email for more information
- 16.01 Music after school clubs starts at Middleham, see email for more information
- 16.01 Multi skills after school club starts at Spennithorne, see email for more information
- 17.01 Sycamore Class Forest Schools – please bring Forest Schools kit in a bag
- 17.01 Mindfulness after school club starts at Middleham for KS2, see email for more information
- 22.01 Year 3 & 4 Cluster Football Tournament at Wensleydale School
- 14.02 School closes for half term
- 24.02 School open to all pupils

### Stars of the week 10.1.25

<b>Maple Class</b>	Rileigh for showing a mature attitude to learning this week. You have worked really hard. Well done
<b>Birch Class</b>	Oliver for brilliant participation in his lessons. Heath for showing resilience in maths.
<b>Sycamore Class</b>	Ezra for being helpful and contributing to every lesson this week.
<b>Oak Class</b>	Ella for being a super member of our school community this week. Finlay for excellent maths this week.



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