



The Federation of Middleham Church of England (VA) Junior School and Spennithorne Church of England (VA) Infant school Primary Schools

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

This term our Christian Value is Love

Safeguarding - Learn More with StayWise

With Halloween and Bonfire Night just around the corner, many children will be excited about dressing up, enjoying treats and spending time with family and friends. Attached to this weeks newsletter is some information from North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue service with top tips for staying safe while having fun during the darker nights. You may also like to explore StayWise (www.staywise.co.uk), a free online safety resource created by emergency services and safety organisations. It includes fun, interactive activities that families can use together to help children learn about staying safe at home, online, on the roads and in their communities. A quick family conversation before heading out can make a real difference. With a little planning and plenty of adult support, children can enjoy Halloween and Bonfire Night safely.

Read to the Beat

This week we received the eagerly anticipated library summer reading challenge certificates. Congratulations to all those children at Middleham and Spennithorne on your summer reading.



ClassFundraising

Design cards have now gone home with all children who returned a picture. The online shop is open until the 9th November. Details of how to order are on the design slip.

Children in Need

We will be raising money for Children in Need in school on Thursday 12th November, children and staff are invited to participate in a dress down day and 'wear something spotty' in exchange for a suggested £2 donation to Children in Need.



If your child is more comfortable, they are welcome to wear their school uniform with a spotty themed addition eg hair band/belt.

Children have brought home some colouring in posters and fortune teller templates to help with additional fundraising efforts.

Pupil Celebration

Congratulations to Elliott who this week received Man of the Match for his football team. Well done Elliott.



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Stars of the week 22.10.26

Maple Class	Beatrice for working so hard all term and having a positive attitude to learning. Well done Eddison for always being so cheerful, kind and trying his best in everything he does. Well done
Birch Class	Whole class award - you've all gone above and beyond this half term, striving to show our 3Bs everyday and working incredibly hard. Miss Peacock and Mrs Bowkett are incredibly proud of you all.
Sycamore Class	Jack B for super artistic skills in our art lessons. Max for a super attitude to learning in all lessons
Oak Class	Oonagh for always being safe, ready and respectful Aarya for consistent effort in his learning

MAGICAL FAMILY FUN AT RICHMOND SHIRE MUSEUM

WITCHES & WIZARDS CELEBRATION

Join us this October half term for a magical experience that your family won't forget! Our enchanting event features **spell bottle workshops** where you can create your own potions and wand making sessions that ignite your imagination. Suitable for all ages, this fun-filled day will bring out the wizard or witch in everyone. Don't miss the magic!

Exciting activities for the whole family!



26th - 31st October 2026!
With a led workshops on 28th from 1-3pm



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MON 27th - FRI 31st OCTOBER
9:00AM - 3:30PM

EARLY DROP OFF > AVAILABLE <



The Pikachu Art Adventure at Fountains Abbey

Think you know art at the National Trust? Think again. Discover a unique art adventure at Fountains Abbey this autumn - with Pikachu as the star.

Calling all Pokémon fans – old and young! Join us to celebrate the Pokémon Trading Card Game: 30th Celebration with The Pikachu Art Adventure.

Discover 30 Pikachu cards, each brought to life by a different illustrator, find out fun facts about the iconic character, and design your own Pikachu trading card.

Pick up a Gallery Sheet as you head through admissions and tick off each piece of artwork as you find it. The trail travels through the bird hide and down to Fountains Mill. Once you've spotted all 30 Pikachu cards, head to the Mill and use the Pikachu stamper to give your cards a stamp.

There's no need to book, and nothing extra to pay (normal admission applies).

Pumpkin Patch

Pick your pumpkin, carve it on site, dress up if you like and give us a fright!

17th - 31st October
at Ripon Walled Garden

Open 9.30am - 4pm

All proceeds will go to support our Members with learning and physical disabilities.

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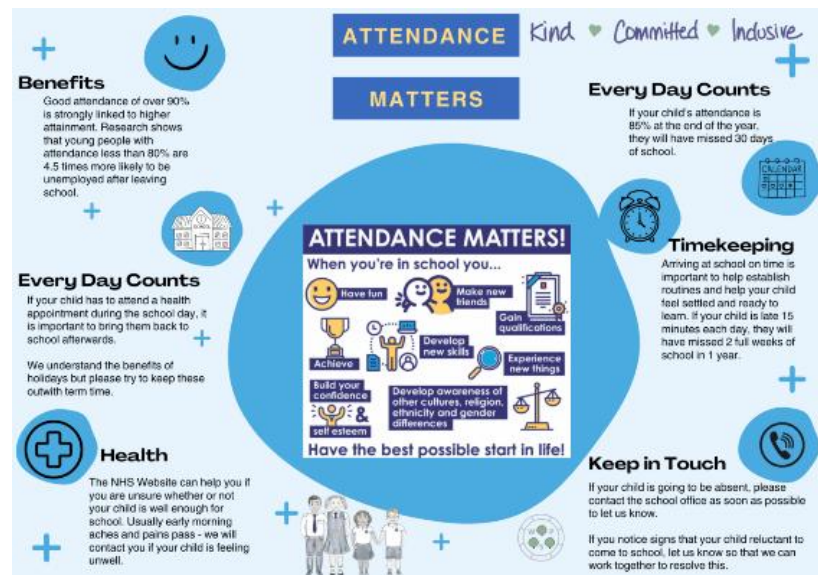


School Attendance

Regular attendance at school promotes pupils' wellbeing and gives them the best chance of learning and reaching their potential.

We aspire for attendance at The Federation of Middleham and Spennithorne schools to be 97%, this week our attendance is **96 %**

Our attendance for the school year so far is **96%**



Diary Dates

22.10 School closes for Half Term

22.10 FOMASS Disco night at Middleham school, Reception to Y2, 5-6pm.

22.10 FOMASS Disco night at Middleham school, Year 3 to Y6, 6.15 – 7.15pm.

23.10 Staff Training Day, school closed

02.11 School reopens

02.11 + 03.11 Parents Evening for Spennithorne Infant school, appointments have been emailed.

04.11 Oak class swimming lessons start, more information coming soon

06.11 Tempest Photography in school, individual and sibling photos.

07.11 Open Morning at Spennithorne Infant School, 10-11.30am.

09.11 + 10.11 Parents evening for Middleham Junior school, appointments have been emailed.

11.10 Flu Vaccinations in school, emails will be sent directly from the vaccination team to parents

12.11 Children in Need – wear something spotty

13.11 Crucial Crew for children in Oak Class

16-21.11 Anti Bullying Week

02.12 Bags2School Collection at both schools

06.12 Christingle Service at St Alkelda's Church Middleham, all families welcome

10.12 Middleham Junior Pantomime Visit, more information to follow

15.12 Infant School Nativity, Spennithorne school.

17.12 Whole school Christmas Carol Service, 2pm. More information coming soon

18.12 School Closes for Christmas holidays

28.01 Spennithorne Infant Theatre visit, more information to follow

Term dates for the next school year are available on our website

<https://fed-mas.n-yorks.sch.uk/term-dates/>



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