



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 13th December 2024 – Newsletter

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

I'm Gonna Shine

Many thanks to all the parents, families and friends who joined us as we presented this year's nativity 'Im Gonna Shine', it was amazing to see the Village Hall so full for both shows. The children worked incredibly hard singing, dancing and speaking their lines. We'd like to say a huge thank you to all staff across the Federation, the hours you have spent helping children learn their lines, choreographing dance routines, creating costumes, preparing the stage and co-ordinating the performances are greatly appreciated.



KS2 Singing at the Key Centre



Children in KS2 enjoyed a walk to the Key Centre in Middleham on Thursday to sing at the Senior Christmas Lunch. They sang beautifully and represented our Federation beautifully. Well Done Sycamore and Oak Class.

Sumdog

The Winter Wonderland Contest is now in full swing. Children can log in at anytime between now and 8pm on Thursday and all questions answered go towards the contest. Good Luck everybody.



Class News

Birch class have had a very creative afternoon making their own colourful baubles! They showed resilience when completing the activity and great respect for each other when tying the string and tidying up. Well done!





Winter Illness

The UK Health Security Agency have produced advice on illnesses that are currently affecting nursery and school children across Yorkshire and The Humber.

There are two groups of symptoms:

- Diarrhoea and vomiting – usually lasting 1-2 days
- • Fever, tiredness, runny nose, cough and sore throat – lasting 3-4 days

What should I do if my child is unwell?

- If your child has diarrhoea and/or vomiting symptoms, they should not attend nursery/school until they have been symptom free for 48 hours
- If your child has a high temperature and is unwell, it is very important they stay at home and don't attend school until they have recovered.
- Children with mild symptoms like runny nose, sore throat, or mild cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend school.
- Ensure they drink plenty of fluids – taking sips rather than gulps, to avoid vomiting
- If they have a fever – give child paracetamol and/or ibuprofen, according to manufacturer's instructions. Your local pharmacist can also advise you about the best treatment for your child
- If your child is unusually sleepy, can't take fluids or has other symptoms, such as an unusual rash, headache or neck stiffness – seek medical advice immediately

For further information, including infection prevention and control, please see the letter attached to the newsletter.



Pupil Celebration

Fantastic Well Done to Lailah Faye who last weekend raised £1800 for her chosen charity 'Candlelighters' and this week visited the hospital to donate toys and gifts for children facing cancer this Christmas.

Stars of the week 13.12.24

Maple Class	Whole class award for a wonderful performance in your first nativity. Well Done Maple class
Birch Class	Whole class award for a wonderful performance in the nativity. Well Done Birch Class
Sycamore Class	Jesse for a superb piece of English writing.
Oak Class	Charlie D for fantastic support with the nativity. Well done, Charlie! Martha W for amazing support with the nativity and for volunteering. Well done, Martha!

Diary Dates

17.12 Federation Day @ Middleham and School Christmas Dinner – more information in the Christmas Events email.
 19.12 Federation Christmas treat to The Georgian Theatre – more information in the Christmas events email.
 w/b 16.12 No extra-curricular clubs this week
 20.12 School closes for Christmas holidays
 6.01 School reopens for staff training
 7.01 School reopens for all pupils



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