



THE COLLABORATION OF MIDDLEHAM CE (VA) AND SPENNITHORNE CE (VC)

SCHOOLS NEWSLETTER

4th May 2018

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

SCHOOL CLOSED

Don't forget; school will be closed on Monday 7th May for the May Day Bank Holiday.

AVAILABILITY

Next week, I will be in Middleham on Tuesday and Wednesday and in Spennithorne on Thursday and Friday. School is closed on Monday.

THE WENSLEYDALE SCHOOL

The Year 6/7 Transition days will be held at The Wensleydale School and Sixth Form on Monday 2 July and Tuesday 3 July. They are also holding a Parents' Information Evening on Tuesday 3 July. Their school uniform supplier Uniform Direct will be in school from 4.00 pm for your children to try on for size and purchase if you wish.

A formal invitation will be sent to individual students and their Parent/ Carers at the end of May.

EDINBURGH

You have all received a final letter regarding Edinburgh arrangements. If you have any questions about this, please see me. Full payment need to be made prior to the trip.

PLEASE RETURN YOUR MEDICAL FORM AT YOUR EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY SO THAT I CAN COLLATE THIS INFORMATION.

Y5/6 RESIDENTIAL 2019 (CURRENT Y4/5 PUPILS)

As part of our residential cycle, next year we will be attending an outdoor education centre but have struggled to find any availability for after mid May. Most places are already booked up and what is available is costing £300 excluding transport for the week. This is too much. However, we have found spaces at Peat Rigg Outdoor Centre from 9th- 12th July 2019 (4 days instead of 5) at an estimated cost of about £240. We will look at using various funding streams to reduce this cost. If you have any concerns about this cost (that it's too high), or that there is a reduction of one day, please come and tell me. I am trying to find the best solution and the best experience for the best price.

TOUR DE YORKSHIRE

Come and see our fantastic chalk art on the playground.

For information on road closures this weekend, please visit <https://letour.yorkshire.com/>

ROYAL WEDDING

The wedding will take place at St Michael and All Angel's church at Spennithorne on Friday 6th May at 1.15pm. We have a wedding cake being made and some flower posies being donated too. We are also hoping to get an organist. Next week, we will be sending out a letter asking for small donations of food such as bread, sandwich fillings, crisps and biscuits for the wedding breakfast. If anyone is able to make some small buns, please let us know.

TRIPS

Our EYFS and KS1 children had a great day on Monday at Locomotion in Shildon and our EYFS went to Catterick Leisure Centre for a cluster multi-sports event today too. Photos to follow on our Facebook page.



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PUPIL PREMIUM – ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

Pupil Premium is an additional amount of funding allocated to schools by the government to support the learning and progress of children in receipt of free school meals, those looked after by the local authority or those whose parent/s serve in the armed forces.

If you feel you might qualify from the list above, you can help us by asking us for an advice leaflet regarding entitlement to Free School Meals or letting us know in your enrolment form about whether your child is looked after or whether a parent is a serving member of the armed forces.

NB: Free School Meals is not the same as the Universal Entitlement Free School Meal given to every child in Rabbits/Class 1

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE DROP IN SESSIONS

Drop in sessions for children up to the age of 4yrs 11months will be held at Bedale Health Clinic, Sussex Street, Bedale between 9.30-11.30 on the following dates:

9th May 18, 11th July 18, 12th Sept 18 and 7th Nov 18.

HOLIDAY REQUEST

As a school, we are required to encourage good attendance from all pupils. It is very easy for days off to mount up. Therefore, if you are requesting leave in an exceptional circumstance, leave will only be authorised if your request hits both the criteria on the form and that your child's attendance is above 95%.

MIDDLEHAM NEWS.

MRS ROBERTS

Many of you are aware that Mrs Roberts has been absent from work for some time and sadly, she will be leaving us in June. She has been at Middleham for nearly 20 years both as a teaching assistant and volunteer.

I am sure you could like to join with me in thanking her for her long service to the school and to the children of Middleham. In due course, we will be arranging an opportunity for us all to say goodbye.

KIDZ DAY NURSERY

If you are interested, or know someone who is interested in a nursery place for September, the new email address is info@kidzdaynurserymiddleham.co.uk. They have had a phone line installed and will shortly be starting advertising.

BAGS2SCHOOL

The next collection will be Wednesday 23rd May at 9am; bags have been sent home this week so please send in as much as you can.

TREKKERS

The next Trekkers will be on May 8th and then again on May 22nd.



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 7 th May	BANK HOLIDAY	
Tuesday 8 th May	Trekkers	
14 th -18 th May	Year 6 SATS week	
Friday 18 th May	Wedding Day	See above for details
Monday 21 st May	FOMS meeting	6pm in school
Tuesday 22 nd May	Trekkers	
Wednesday 23 rd May	Bags to School collection	Bags have been sent home
Wednesday 23 rd May	Level 2 girls football	More details to follow
Wednesday 23 rd May	Cote Ghyll Information Meeting	6pm in school
Friday 25 th May	School Council sponsored walk	More details to follow
28 th May - 1 st June	Half Term	
Monday 4 th June	School re-opens	
4-8 th June	Year 5/6 trip to Edinburgh	Information has been sent home
Wednesday 6 th June	Year 3/4 Athletics	More details to follow
Friday 8 th June	Year 1/2 Multiskills	More details to follow
Thursday 14 th June	Father's Day Lunch	Menu to follow
Thursday 21 st - Friday 22 nd June	Year 3/4 trip to Cote Ghyll	Information has been sent home
Monday 25 th - Tuesday 26 th June	Year 6 Bikeability	
Thursday 28 th June	Year 6 Rookie Lifeguard @ Richmond Pool	Letter has gone home
Monday 2 nd - Tuesday 3 rd June	Wensleydale School transition days	
Wednesday 4 th July	Year 6 Rookie Lifeguard	Letter has gone home
Thursday 5 th July	Cluster Sports day	More details to follow
Friday 6 th July	Richard III Day	More details to follow
Monday 9 th July	St Francis Xavier Induction Day	
Thursday 12 th July	Teddy Bears Picnic	More details to follow
Friday 13 th July	Year 6 Rookie Lifeguard	Letter has gone home
Monday 16 th July	Sports Day	
Friday 20 th July	Last day of term	
Monday 3 rd September	Staff training day	
Tuesday 4 th September	School opens	