



# THE COLLABORATION OF MIDDLEHAM CE (VA) AND SPENNITHORNE CE (VC) SCHOOLS NEWSLETTER

19<sup>th</sup> January 2018

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Dear Parent, Carers and Friends

## AVAILABILITY

Next week, I will be in Middleham on Wednesday and Thursday and Spennithorne on Monday and Tuesday. I am out of school on Friday.

## SNOW

Unfortunately, we were unable to open yesterday as several teachers could not get in. I tried but got stuck on the bridge over the A1 by Marne Barracks.

Hopefully, the contact system worked effectively. If it didn't, could you let us know so that we can make adjustments for next time.

## FACEBOOK

We are live!! Both schools have been inviting parents to join our new Facebook page (Spennithorne Middleham Primary Schools) and any photos of events will be posted in our closed group which we have invited you to join. If we have missed you, please do not be offended. We just couldn't find you or you don't use Facebook. Please request to be our friend and we will then invite you to the closed group where we will post pictures of events.

Any posts are subject to admin approval as it is designed as a place to celebrate what we do in our schools.

## SCIENCE DAY

This will be rescheduled for a future date as it was cancelled due to snow and The Wensleydale School closing too.

## NORTHALLERTON LIBRARY – THE WONDERS OF SPACE

Selby and Northallerton libraries are working with University of York's Astrocampus and bringing Space to our fingertips on 13 and 14 February 2018, during half-term.

At Northallerton Library, visitors will be able to explore the wonders of space in the Cosmodome: an inflatable planetarium. They can discover the stories behind the constellations and take a tour of the night skies; fly past the planets and find out about stars exploding! Shows last for 20 minutes and are suitable for all ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets for the session are £1 per person, available in advance from Northallerton library. Advanced booking is essential as spaces are limited.

For more information and to book your tickets, please contact Northallerton Library

If you are not a member of the library, join now. It is FREE. Visit your local branch or log on to [www.northyorks.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/libraries)

To find out more about University of York's Astrocampus please visit: [www.astrocampus.org.uk](http://www.astrocampus.org.uk)

To book, please contact Greg Kubas (01609 79 8402)

<b>Wednesday 14 February</b>		
<b>Northallerton Library</b> 1 Thirsk Road, Northallerton, DL6 1PT <b>Tel: 01609 53 3832</b>	10.30am	Cosmodome – 1 <sup>st</sup> session*
	11am	Cosmodome – 2 <sup>nd</sup> session*
	11.30am	Cosmodome – 3 <sup>rd</sup> session*
	12noon	Cosmodome – 4 <sup>th</sup> session*



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*Spaces limited. Tickets for the session are £1 per person, available in advance from Northallerton library	1pm	Cosmodome – 5 <sup>th</sup> session*
	1.30pm	Cosmodome – 6 <sup>th</sup> session*
	2pm	Cosmodome – 7 <sup>th</sup> session*
	2.30pm	Cosmodome – 8 <sup>th</sup> session*

## SCHOOL FOCUS

This term, the focus across both schools will be on presentation, working hard to develop their cursive script and ensuring that spelling of words which we feel they should know e.g. key words is being demonstrated.

## 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:

7<sup>th</sup> March 18, 9<sup>th</sup> May 18, 11<sup>th</sup> July 18, 12<sup>th</sup> Sept 18 and 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

### SPORTS CLUB

After school sports club has now moved to after school on a Wednesday.

### TREKKERS

The next Trekkers club will be on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January. Following dates are February 20<sup>th</sup>, March 6<sup>th</sup> and March 20<sup>th</sup>.

### CHINESE NEW YEAR LUNCH

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2018 we will be having a special lunch in school to celebrate Chinese New Year; 2018 is the Year of the Dog, an animal which symbolises luck. A menu is being sent home today, please can all lunch orders be returned by Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January.

Parents, grandparents, siblings and friends are all invited to join us for this special lunch. Please come to the main front door at 12 o'clock and your children will come and collect you. Adult meals are £2.90, child meals are £2.20, please can visitors pay by cash or cheque.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	Chinese New Year Lunch	Menu has gone home
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Trekkers	
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Yorkshire Pudding Day Lunch	Menu to follow
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Y3/4 Dance	More details to follow



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Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Rotary Presentation	More details to follow
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents Evening 3.30-6pm	More details to follow
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents Evening 3.30-6pm	More details to follow
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	School Council Pyjama Day	More details to follow
12-16 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term	
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Trekkers	
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	World Book Day	More details to follow
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Trekkers	
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	KS2 Cross Country	More details to follow
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Mothers Day Lunch	Menu to follow
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Trekkers	
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Sport Relief	More details to follow
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	End of Term	
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Staff Training Day	
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	School opens	